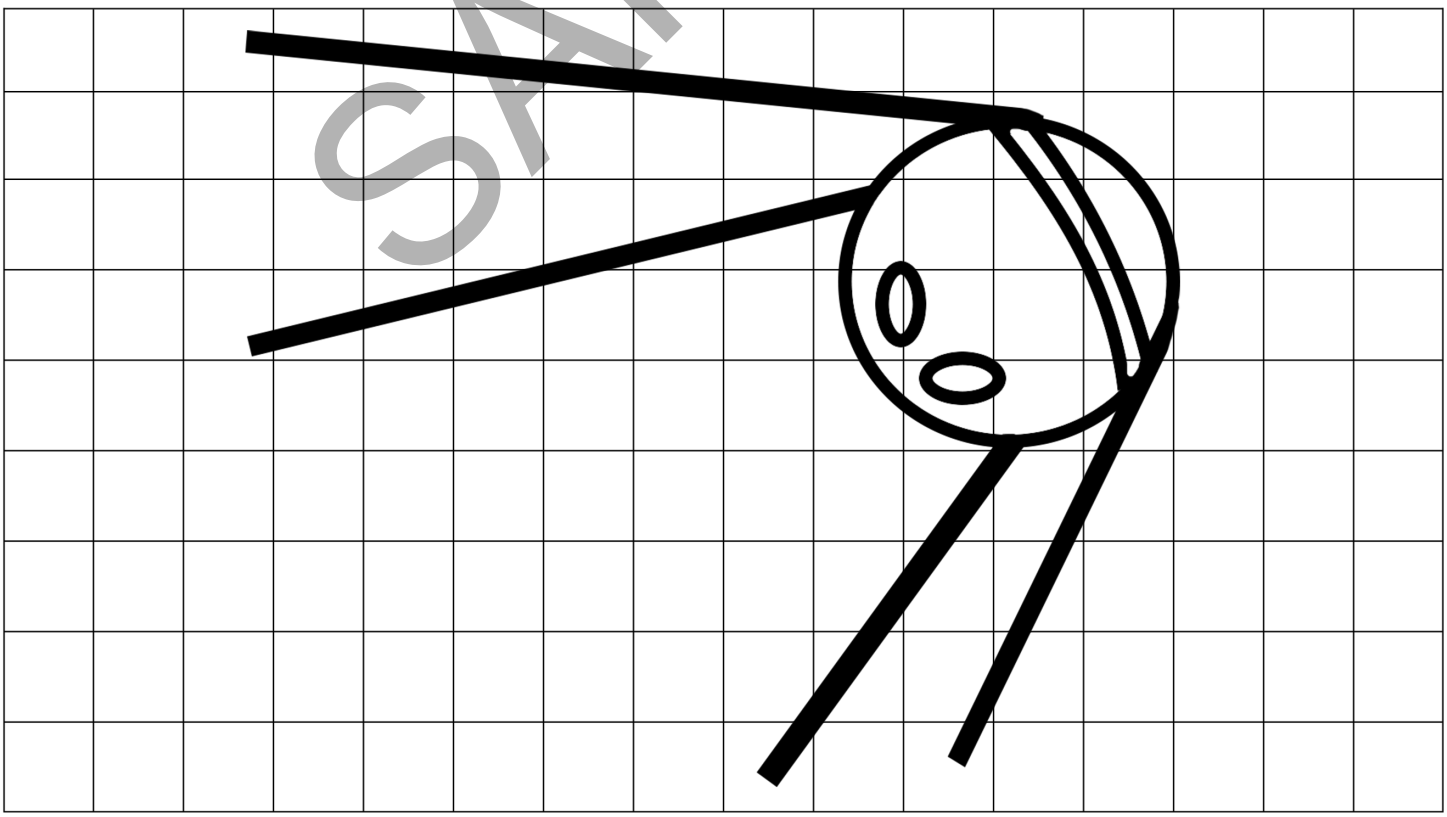
Sputnik

When Sputnik 1, the first man-made satellite, was launched by the Soviet Union on October 4, 1957, the space age began. Sputnik 1 stayed in orbit, circling the Earth every 96 minutes, until early in 1958, when it burned up in the atmosphere as it fell back to Earth. Sputnik 2 was launched on November 3, 1957, carrying the dog Laika, the first live creature to be put into orbit around the Earth. After that, eight more Sputnik missions were launched where experiments were performed on different animals to test life-support systems and other procedures.

Follow these instructions to draw an example of Sputnik on the next page like the one shown below:

- Decide if you want to draw the right half of the picture or the left half of the picture and draw it in one of the first two grids. You can draw both if you'd like.
- Now, using a blank grid from the back of the book, try drawing the whole picture.



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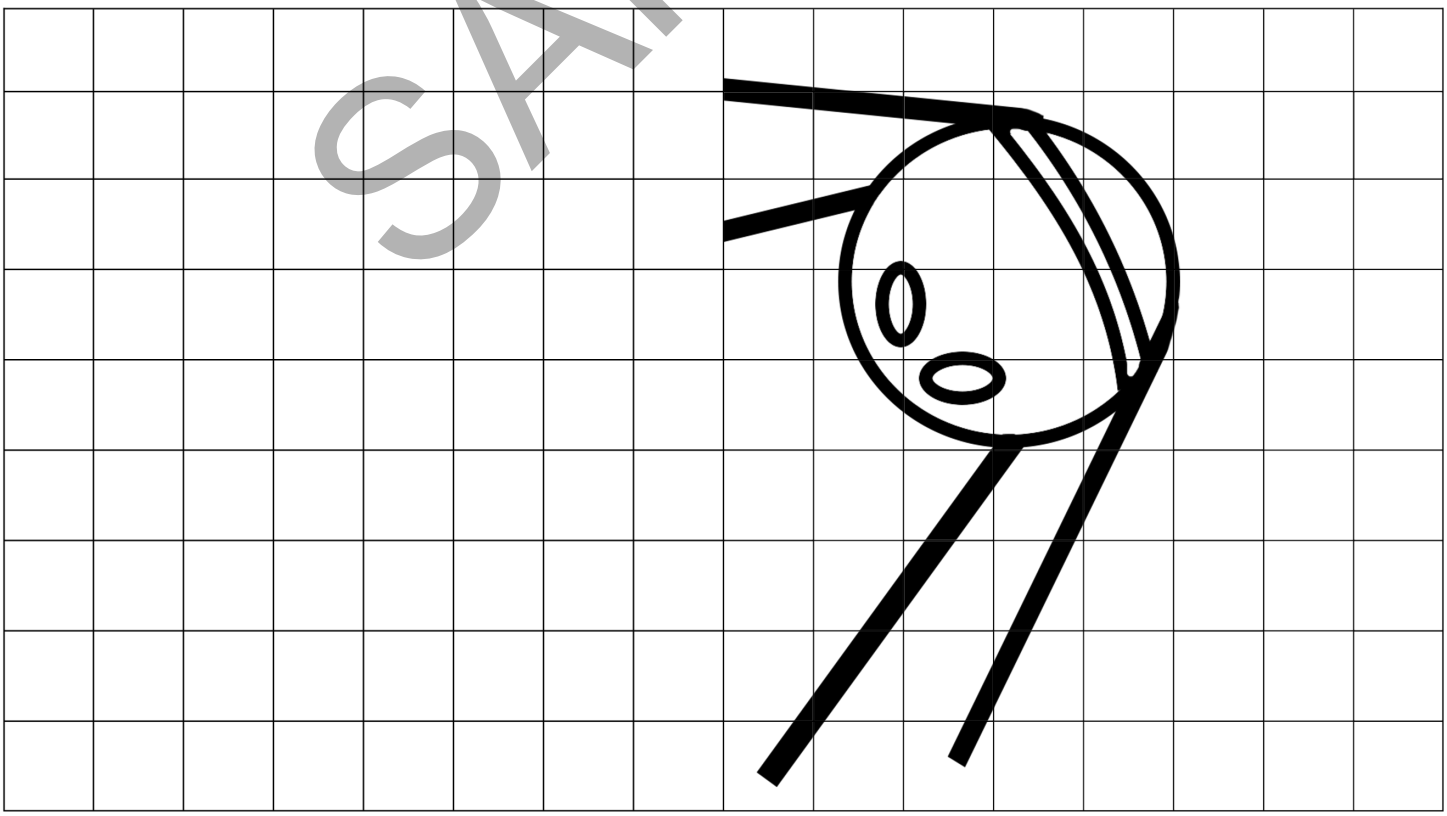

Questions

Match the word to the correct definition.

_____1.	Skylab	a.	reentered Earth's atmosphere in 2001
_____2.	Gemini 4	b.	carried first American into orbit
_____3.	Mir	c.	spacecraft design still in use today
_____4.	Vostok	d.	first United States space station
_____5.	Salyut	e.	exploded on its 28th mission
_____6.	Sputnik	f.	carried the first person into orbit
_____7.	Columbia Shuttle	g.	command module for moon landing
_____8.	Soyuz	h.	first American spacewalk occurred
_____9.	*Friendship 7*	i.	first space station
_____10.	Apollo 11 Lunar Command Module	j.	first man-made satellite

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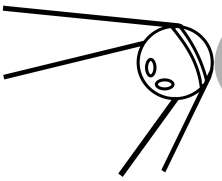
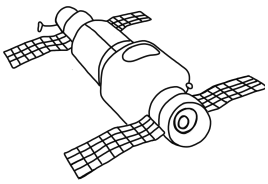
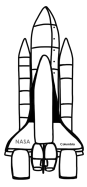

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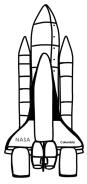
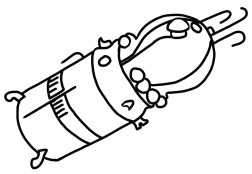
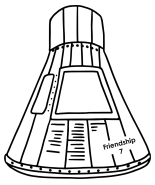

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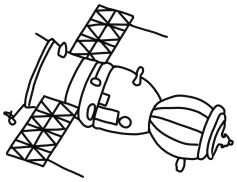
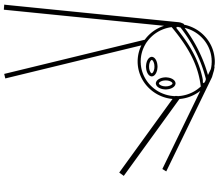
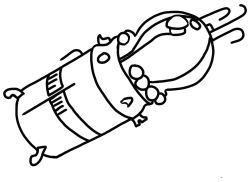

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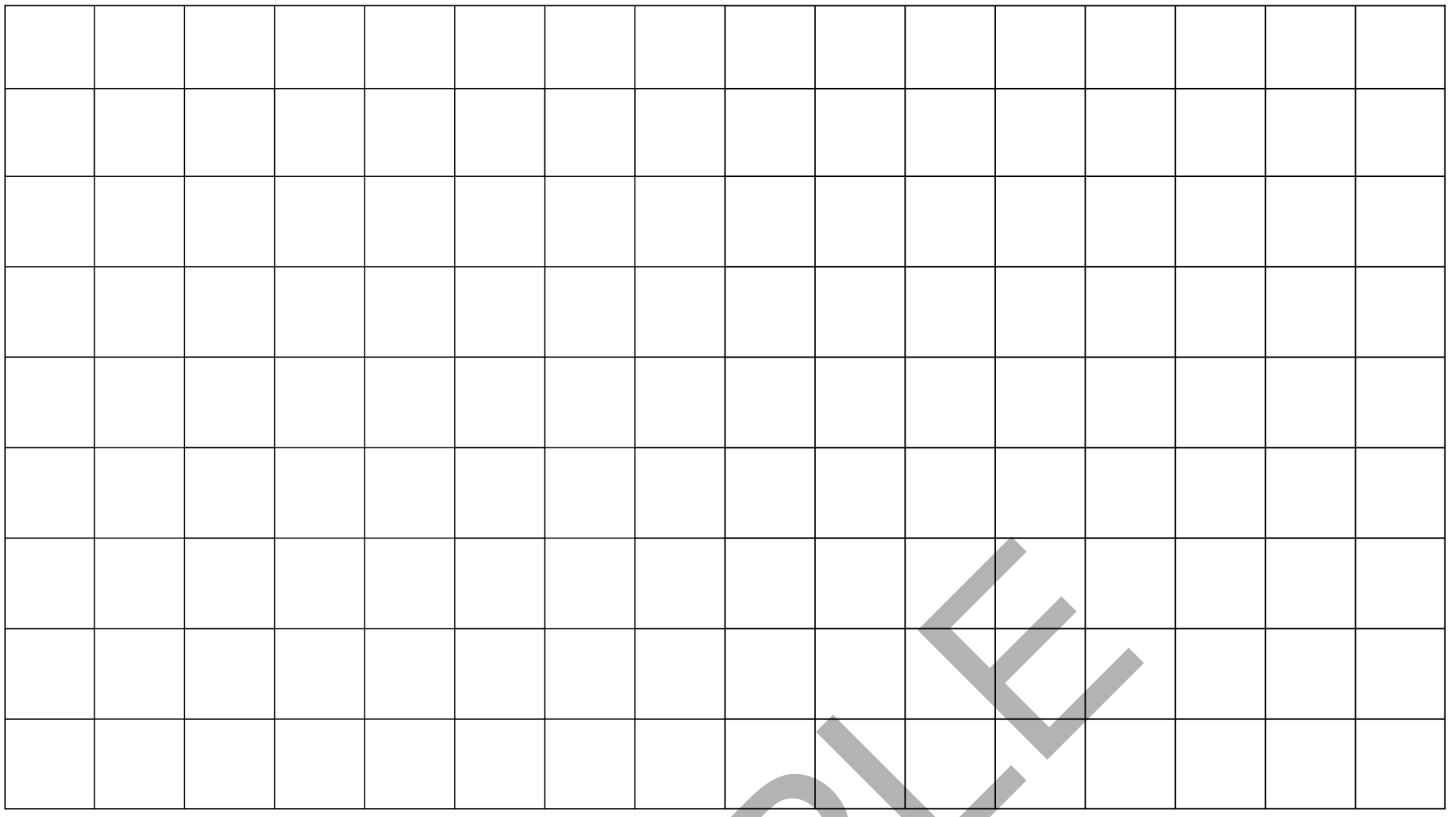

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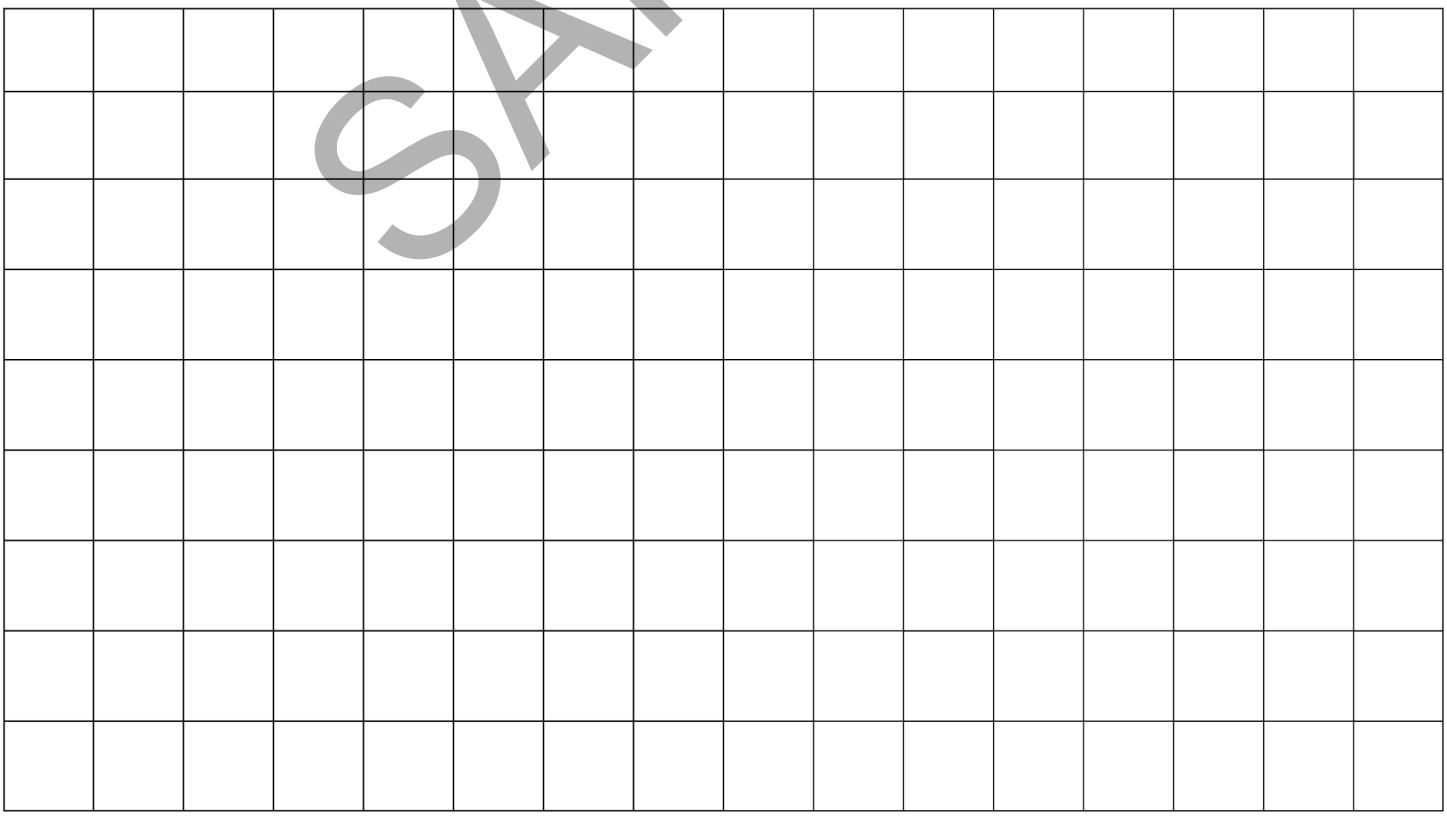

Answer Key

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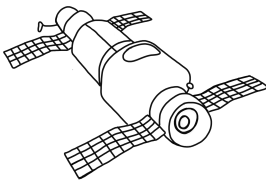
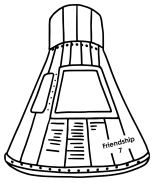
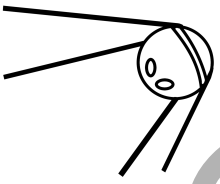
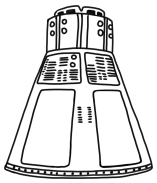
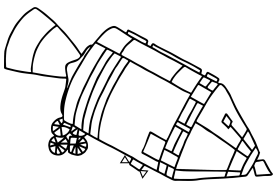
3. a
4. f
5. i
6. j
7. e
8. c
9. b
10. g

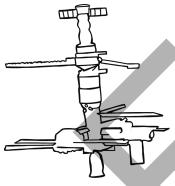
11. 

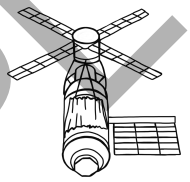
12. 

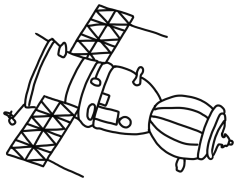
13. 

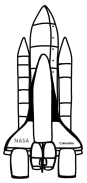
14. 

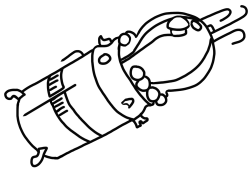
15. 

16. 

17. 

18. 

19. 

20. 

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