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Level 6

Time travelers invited to Stephen Hawking memorial

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THE ARTICLE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Time travelers have been invited to attend the memorial service for Professor Stephen Hawking. The legendary physicist, cosmologist and author died on March 14. Thousands of fans and well-wishers lined the streets in Cambridge, England for his funeral two weeks later. His family has now arranged a special ceremony to allow people to remember and celebrate his life, and time travelers have been invited. Hawking famously wrote in his book "A Brief History of Time" that: "If time travel is possible, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they have the opportunity to travel back in time. The online entry form for the memorial allows people with birth dates up to December 31, 2038 to take part.

The concept of time travel had fascinated and intrigued Professor Hawking over the decades. In 2009, he staged a glitzy party for time travelers at Cambridge University. He arranged champagne and snacks, and a banner saying: "Welcome time travelers". No one from the future attended that particular event. A spokesman for the Stephen Hawking Foundation, which is organizing the memorial service, said he had yet to receive a response from any time travelers to attend the memorial service. The deadline to reserve a place at the June 15 event at London's Westminster Abbey is today. The spokesman said it was still possible. He said: "We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven to our satisfaction."

Sources: <http://metro.co.uk/2018/05/14/time-travellers-invited-attend-stephen-hawkings-memorial-service-7543567/>
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WARM-UPS

1. TIME TRAVEL: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about time travel. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

time / traveler / time travelers / cosmology / fans / funeral / ceremony / tourist / birth concept / intrigued / decades / party / champagne / the future / deadline / possible

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. A GOOD THING: Students A **strongly** believe time travel would be a good thing; Students B **strongly** believe it wouldn't. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. TIME: What would it be like to travel to these times? What would you do there? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	What would it be like?	What would you do there?
Dinosaur times		
Iron Age		
2018 years ago		
The 1800s		
The 1960s		
The year 2099		

5. FUTURE: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "future". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. BEST YEAR: Rank these with your partner. Put the best year to time travel to at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- 3000 BC
- 100
- 25000 BC
- 3000
- 1776
- 1066
- 2025
- 2118

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 1. attend | a. The ceremonies honoring a dead person, typically involving burial or cremation. |
| 2. legendary | b. Someone who studies or is an expert on space and the origins of the universe. |
| 3. cosmologist | c. Remarkable enough to be famous; very well known. |
| 4. lined | d. A situation that makes it possible to do something; chance. |
| 5. funeral | e. Go to and be present at an event, meeting, or function. |
| 6. celebrate | f. Stood at intervals along a road or route. |
| 7. opportunity | g. Acknowledge a significant or happy day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 8. concept | h. A verbal or written answer. |
| 9. intrigued | i. Removed from consideration; ruled out. |
| 10. glitzy | j. The latest time or date by which something should be completed. |
| 11. response | k. Arouse the curiosity or interest of; fascinated. |
| 12. deadline | l. Prove that something is false. |
| 13. exclude | m. An abstract idea; a general notion. |
| 14. disproven | n. Looking glamorous but only for show. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. Time travelers have been invited to Stephen Hawking's funeral. **T / F**
- b. Stephen Hawking's funeral was two weeks after his death. **T / F**
- c. Hawking once asked where the tourists from the future were. **T / F**
- d. People born in 2035 can attend Stephen Hawking's memorial service. **T / F**
- e. Stephen Hawking first got interested in time travel two years ago. **T / F**
- f. Hawking once arranged a champagne party for time travelers. **T / F**
- g. Three time travelers have replied to the memorial service organizers. **T / F**
- h. The memorial event will take place at St Paul's Cathedral in London. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1. attend | a. organized |
| 2. legendary | b. honor |
| 3. celebrate | c. rule out |
| 4. opportunity | d. notion |
| 5. entry | e. famous |
| 6. concept | f. time limit |
| 7. arranged | g. application |
| 8. event | h. go to |
| 9. deadline | i. function |
| 10. exclude | j. chance |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. invited to attend the memorial | a. lined the streets |
| 2. The legendary physicist, | b. receive a response |
| 3. Thousands of fans and well-wishers | c. celebrate his life |
| 4. remember and | d. intrigued Professor Hawking |
| 5. the opportunity to travel | e. of time travel |
| 6. time travel had fascinated and | f. cosmologist and author |
| 7. yet to | g. a place |
| 8. The deadline to reserve | h. disproven |
| 9. We cannot exclude the possibility | i. service |
| 10. it has not been | j. back in time |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Time travelers have been invited to attend the memorial service for Professor Stephen Hawking. The (1) _____ physicist, cosmologist and author died on March 14. Thousands of fans and well-wishers (2) _____ the streets in Cambridge, England for his (3) _____ two weeks later. His family has now arranged a special ceremony to allow people to remember and (4) _____ his life, and time travelers have been invited. Hawking (5) _____ wrote in his book "A Brief History of Time" that: "If time travel is possible, where are the (6) _____ from the future?" Now they have the opportunity to travel back in time. The (7) _____ entry form for the memorial allows people with (8) _____ dates up to December 31, 2038 to take part.

lined
famously
online
legendary
birth
celebrate
tourists
funeral

The concept of time travel had fascinated and (9) _____ Professor Hawking over the decades. In 2009, he staged a (10) _____ party for time travelers at Cambridge University. He arranged champagne and snacks, and a (11) _____ saying: "Welcome time travelers". No one from the future attended that (12) _____ event. A spokesman for the Stephen Hawking Foundation, which is organizing the memorial service, said he had (13) _____ to receive a response from any time travelers to attend the memorial service. The (14) _____ to reserve a place at the June 15 event at London's Westminster Abbey is today. The spokesman said it was (15) _____ possible. He said: "We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven to our (16) _____."

banner
intrigued
still
yet
satisfaction
glitzy
particular
deadline

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

- 1) Time travelers have been invited to attend the _____
 - a. memory all service
 - b. memorial serviced
 - c. memorial service
 - d. memory all serviced
- 2) Thousands of fans and well-wishers _____ in Cambridge, England
 - a. aligned the streets
 - b. outlined the streets
 - c. lined the streets
 - d. maligned the streets
- 3) _____ arranged a special ceremony to allow people to remember and _____
 - a. celebrates his live
 - b. celebrate this life
 - c. celebrate his life
 - d. celebrate his live
- 4) If time travel is possible, where are the tourists _____?
 - a. from a future
 - b. from then future
 - c. from the future
 - d. from that future
- 5) The online entry form for the memorial allows people with _____ December 31
 - a. birth dates upper to
 - b. birthing dates up to
 - c. birthing dates up two
 - d. birth dates up to
- 6) The concept of time travel had fascinated and intrigued Professor Hawking _____
 - a. over the decadence
 - b. over the decades
 - c. over the decade is
 - d. over their decades
- 7) He arranged champagne and snacks, _____
 - a. and a banner
 - b. and a banter
 - c. and a burner
 - d. and a banal
- 8) No one from the future attended that _____
 - a. particularly event
 - b. particularize event
 - c. particularity event
 - d. particular event
- 9) The deadline to reserve a place at the _____
 - a. June 15 even
 - b. June 15 eventual
 - c. June 15 event
 - d. June 15 events
- 10) We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not _____
 - a. been this proven
 - b. been this proof and
 - c. been disproven
 - d. been miss proving

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

1. When did Stephen Hawking die?
2. How long after his death was Stephen Hawking's funeral?
3. What was Stephen Hawking's book a brief history of?
4. What kind of tourists did Stephen Hawking enquire about?
5. What is the birth date limit for time travelers to apply?
6. What intrigued and fascinated Stephen Hawking?
7. What drink did Stephen Hawking provide for time travelers at a party?
8. How many travelers have so far responded to the invitation?
9. Where in London will the memorial service take place?
10. What did a spokesman say could not be excluded?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

- 1) When did Stephen Hawking die?
 - a) March 20
 - b) March 14
 - c) March 18
 - d) March 16
- 2) How long after his death was Stephen Hawking's funeral?
 - a) four days
 - b) a week
 - c) two weeks
 - d) 10 days
- 3) What was Stephen Hawking's book a brief history of?
 - a) physics
 - b) the cosmos
 - c) space
 - d) time
- 4) What kind of tourists did Stephen Hawking enquire about?
 - a) package-holiday tourists
 - b) tourists from the future
 - c) eco-tourists
 - d) American tourists
- 5) What is the birth date limit for time travelers to apply?
 - a) December 31, 2028
 - b) December 31, 2038
 - c) December 31, 2018
 - d) December 31, 2098
- 6) What intrigued and fascinated Stephen Hawking?
 - a) the notion of time travel
 - b) Cambridge University
 - c) adventure travel
 - d) tourism
- 7) What drink did Stephen Hawking provide for time travelers at a party?
 - a) milk
 - b) beer
 - c) Antarctic water
 - d) champagne
- 8) How many travelers have so far responded to the invitation?
 - a) 2
 - b) 1
 - c) 0
 - d) 42
- 9) Where in London will the memorial service take place?
 - a) Wembley Stadium
 - b) Big Ben
 - c) St Paul's Cathedral
 - d) Westminster Abbey
- 10) What did a spokesman say could not be excluded?
 - a) the year 2018
 - b) the possibility of time travel
 - c) a party
 - d) a Stephen Hawking Day

ROLE PLAY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Role A – 3000BC

You think 3000BC is the best year to travel to. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their years. Also, tell the others which is the least appealing of these years (and why): the year zero, 2025 or 3018.

Role B – The Year Zero

You think the year zero is the best year to travel to. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their years. Also, tell the others which is the least appealing of these years (and why): 3000BC, 2025 or 3018.

Role C – 2025

You think 2025 is the best year to travel to. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their years. Also, tell the others which is the least appealing of these years (and why): the year zero, 3000BC or 3018.

Role D – 3018

You think 3018 is the best year to travel to. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them what is wrong with their years. Also, tell the others which is the least appealing of these years (and why): the year zero, 2025 or 3000BC.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'time' and 'travel'.

time	travel
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• legendary• lined• life• tourists• opportunity• online	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• concept• 2009• particular• yet• still• exclude
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TIME TRAVEL SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Write five GOOD questions about time travel in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

TIME TRAVEL DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'time'?
3. What do you know about Stephen Hawking?
4. What should happen at the memorial service?
5. Would you like to be a time traveler?
6. If you went back in time, what historical event would you change?
7. How would you explain the history of time?
8. What would you ask a tourist from the future?
9. What would time travelers from the past think of today's world?
10. What do you think of the concept of time travel?

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TIME TRAVEL DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'travel'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What do you know about the cosmos?
15. What period in time would you like to go back or forward to?
16. Would you prefer to travel back or forward in time?
17. How can we prove or disprove time travel?
18. What would time travelers from the future think of today's world?
19. Do you think time travel will be possible one day?
20. What questions would you like to ask a time traveler?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) invites | (b) inviting | (c) invitation | (d) invited |
| 2. | (a) cosmopolitan | (b) cosmology | (c) cosmos | (d) cosmologist |
| 3. | (a) pined | (b) lined | (c) dined | (d) fined |
| 4. | (a) celebratory | (b) celebration | (c) celebrate | (d) celebrated |
| 5. | (a) famous | (b) famed | (c) famously | (d) famed |
| 6. | (a) form | (b) paper | (c) parchment | (d) manuscript |
| 7. | (a) fatigued | (b) intrigued | (c) disguised | (d) imbibed |
| 8. | (a) banner | (b) banter | (c) banal | (d) banish |
| 9. | (a) not | (b) yet | (c) early | (d) already |
| 10. | (a) deserve | (b) conserve | (c) reserve | (d) serve |
| 11. | (a) calm | (b) placid | (c) still | (d) hush |
| 12. | (a) up | (b) at | (c) of | (d) to |

SPELLING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Paragraph 1

1. travelers have been invited to ndtaet
2. The glrneyeda physicist
3. cooslomtisd and author
4. for his anferul
5. remember and raeebltec his life
6. the yptrnuootpi to travel back in time

Paragraph 2

7. The potncce of time travel
8. fascinated and triuigned Professor Hawking
9. he staged a tzilgy party
10. The eiddaenl to reserve a place
11. We cannot cdxeleu the possibility
12. it has not been ioenpvrsd

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- (**1**) Time travelers have been invited to attend the memorial service for Professor Stephen Hawking. The legendary
- () have been invited. Hawking famously wrote in his book "A Brief History of Time" that: "If time travel
- () the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven to our satisfaction."
- () The concept of time travel had fascinated and intrigued Professor Hawking over the decades. In 2009, he staged a glitzy
- () to attend the memorial service. The deadline to reserve a place at the June 15 event at London's Westminster Abbey
- () party for time travelers at Cambridge University. He arranged champagne and snacks, and a banner
- () physicist, cosmologist and author died on March 14. Thousands of fans and well-wishers lined
- () entry form for the memorial allows people with birth dates up to December 31, 2038 to take part.
- () is today. The spokesman said it was still possible. He said: "We cannot exclude
- () the streets in Cambridge, England for his funeral two weeks later. His family has now
- () arranged a special ceremony to allow people to remember and celebrate his life, and time travelers
- () which is organizing the memorial service, said he had yet to receive a response from any time travelers
- () is possible, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they have the opportunity to travel back in time. The online
- () saying: "Welcome time travelers". No one from the future attended that particular event. A spokesman for the Stephen Hawking Foundation,

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

1. been invited to attend the Travelers service . have
2. of fans the lined well-wishers streets . Thousands and
3. special now His has arranged a ceremony . family
4. They opportunity time . the have in travel to
5. birth People , up dates 2038 . with to 31 December
6. him . concept intrigued time travel The of had
7. staged a travelers . He glitzy for time party
8. deadline to today . is a reserve The place
9. possible . The it still was said spokesman
10. cannot exclude We the possibility of time travel .

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel.html>

Time travelers have *been / being* invited to attend the memorial service for Professor Stephen Hawking. The legendary physicist, *cosmologist / cosmology* and author died on March 14. Thousands of fans and well-wishers *lined / lines* the streets in Cambridge, England for his *funereal / funeral* two weeks later. His family has now arranged a *special / specially* ceremony to allow people to remember and *celebration / celebrate* his life, and time travelers have been invited. Hawking famously wrote in his book "A Brief History of Time" that: "If time travel is *possibility / possible*, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they have the opportunity to travel back *in / at* time. The online entry *form / from* for the memorial allows people with birth dates up to December 31, 2038 to take *party / part*.

The *concept / conceptual* of time travel had fascinated and intrigued Professor Hawking over the *decadence / decades*. In 2009, he *staged / staggered* a glitzy party for time travelers at Cambridge University. He arranged champagne and snacks, and a *banter / banner* saying: "Welcome time travelers". No one from the future *attended / attention* that particular event. A spokesman for the Stephen Hawking Foundation, which is organizing the memorial service, said he had yet *for / to* receive a response from any time travelers to attend the memorial service. The *lifeline / deadline* to reserve a *place / plaice* at the June 15 event at London's Westminster Abbey is today. The spokesman said it was still possible. He said: "We cannot *exclude / exclusion* the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven to our *satisfaction / satisfactory*."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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T_m_ t_r_v_l_r_s h_v_ b__ n _n_v_t_d t_ t_t_n_d t_h_ m_m_r__ l s_r_v_c_ f_r P_r_f_s_s_r S_t_p_h_n H_w_k_n_g . T_h_ l_g_n_d_r_y p_h_y_s_c_s_t , c_s_m_l_g_s_t _n_d __ t_h_r d__ d _n M_r_c_h 14 . T_h__ s_n_d_s _f f_n_s _n_d w_l_l - w_s_h_r_s l_n_d t_h_ s_t_r__ t_s _n C_m_b_r_d_g_ , E_n_g_l_n_d f_r h_s f_n_r_l t_w_ w__ k_s l_t_r . H_s f_m_l_y h_s n_w _r_r_n_g_d _ s_p_c__ l c_r_m_n_y t_ l_l_w p__ p_l_ t_ r_m_m_b_r _n_d c_l_b_r_t_ h_s l_f_ , _n_d t_m_ t_r_v_l_r_s h_v_ b__ n _n_v_t_d . H_w_k_n_g f_m__ s_l_y w_r_t_ _n h_s b__ k " A B_r__ f H_s_t_r_y _f T_m_" t_h_t : " I_f t_m_ t_r_v_l _s p_s_s_b_l_ , w_h_r_ _r_ t_h_ t__ r_s_t_s f_r_m t_h_ f_t_r_? " N_w t_h_y h_v_ t_h_ _p_p_r_t_n_t_y t_ t_r_v_l b_c_k _n t_m_ . T_h_ _n_l_n_ _n_t_r_y f_r_m f_r t_h_ m_m_r__ l _l_l_w_s p__ p_l_ w_t_h b_r_t_h d_t_s _p t_ D_c_m_b_r 31 , 2038 t_ t_k_ p_r_t .

T_h_ c_n_c_p_t _f t_m_ t_r_v_l h_d f_s_c_n_t_d _n_d _n_t_r_g__ d P_r_f_s_s_r H_w_k_n_g _v_r t_h_ d_c_d_s . I_n 2009 , h_ s_t_g_d _g_l_t_z_y p_r_t_y f_r t_m_ t_r_v_l_r_s _t C_m_b_r_d_g_ U_n_v_r_s_t_y . H_ _r_r_n_g_d c_h_m_p_g_n_ _n_d s_n_c_k_s , _n_d _ b_n_n_r_s_y_n_g : " W_l_c_m_ t_m_ t_r_v_l_r_s " . N_ _n_ f_r_m t_h_ f_t_r_ t_t_n_d_d t_h_t p_r_t_c_l_r _v_n_t . A_s p_k_s_m_n f_r t_h_ S_t_p_h_n H_w_k_n_g F__ n_d_t__ n , w_h_c_h _s _r_g_n_z_n_g t_h_ m_m_r__ l s_r_v_c_ , s__ d h_ h_d y_t t_ r_c__ v_ _ r_s_p_n_s_ f_r_m _n_y t_m_ t_r_v_l_r_s t_ t_t_n_d t_h_ m_m_r__ l s_r_v_c_ . T_h_ d__ d_l_n_ t_ r_s_r_v_ _ p_l_c_ _t t_h_ J_n_ 15 _v_n_t _t L_n_d_n 's W_s_t_m_n_s_t_r A_b_b_y _s t_d_y . T_h_ s_p_k_s_m_n s__ d _t w_s s_t_l l p_s_s_b_l_ . H_ s__ d : " W_ c_n_n_t _x_c_l_d_ t_h_ p_s_s_b_l_t_y _f t_m_ t_r_v_l _s _t h_s n_t b__ n d_s_p_r_v_n t_ __ r_s_t_s_f_c_t__ n . "

PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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the concept of time travel had fascinated and intrigued professor hawking over the decades in 2009 he staged a glitzy party for time travelers at cambridge university he arranged champagne and snacks and a banner saying welcome time travelers no one from the future attended that particular event a spokesman for the stephen hawking foundation which is organizing the memorial service said he had yet to receive a response from any time travelers to attend the memorial service the deadline to reserve a place at the june 15 event at londons westminster abbey is today the spokesman said it was still possible he said we cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven to our satisfaction"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. STEPHEN HAWKING: Make a poster about Stephen Hawking. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. TIME TRAVEL: Write a magazine article about time travel. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against it.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on time travel. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your opinions on time travel. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. e 2. c 3. b 4. f 5. a 6. g 7. d
8. m 9. k 10. n 11. h 12. j 13. i 14. l

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c T d T e F f T g F h F

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

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| 1. attend | a. go to |
| 2. legendary | b. famous |
| 3. celebrate | c. honor |
| 4. opportunity | d. chance |
| 5. entry | e. application |
| 6. concept | f. notion |
| 7. arranged | g. organized |
| 8. event | h. function |
| 9. deadline | i. time limit |
| 10. exclude | j. rule out |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. March 14
2. Two weeks
3. Time
4. Tourists from the future
5. December 31, 2038
6. The concept of time travel
7. Champagne
8. None
9. Westminster Abbey
10. The possibility of time travel

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. Travelers have been invited to attend the service.
2. Thousands of fans and well-wishers lined the streets.
3. His family has now arranged a special ceremony.
4. They have the opportunity to travel in time.
5. People with birth dates up to December 31, 2038.
6. The concept of time travel had intrigued him.
7. He staged a glitzy party for time travelers.
8. The deadline to reserve a place is today.
9. The spokesman said it was still possible.
10. We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. c 3. d 4. b 5. a 6. a 7. d 8. c 9. d 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)