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## Level 4

### Time travelers invited to Stephen Hawking memorial

16th May, 2018

<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel-4.html>

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel-4.html>

Time travelers are invited to Stephen Hawking's memorial service. The legendary cosmologist and author died last month. His family has arranged a ceremony for people to remember and celebrate his life. They have invited time travelers. Hawking wrote that: "If time travel is possible, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they can travel back in time. People born up to December 31, 2038 can attend the service.

The concept of time travel interested Professor Hawking. He once held a party for time travelers, with a banner saying: "Welcome time travelers". However, no one from the future went. Organizers of the memorial service haven't received any replies from a time traveler. The deadline to reserve a place at the service is today. It is still possible. The organizers said: "We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven."

Sources: <http://metro.co.uk/2018/05/14/time-travellers-invited-attend-stephen-hawkings-memorial-service-7543567/>  
<https://www.sciencealert.com/stephen-hawking-s-memorial-service-is-open-to-time-travellers>  
<https://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2018/05/12/610688433/tardis-optional-time-travelers-invited-to-stephen-hawking-service>

# PHRASE MATCHING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel-4.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. The legendary           | a. time           |
| 2. His family has arranged | b. travelers      |
| 3. celebrate his           | c. service        |
| 4. They have invited       | d. cosmologist    |
| 5. the tourists from the   | e. to December 31 |
| 6. travel back in          | f. life           |
| 7. People born up          | g. future         |
| 8. attend the              | h. a ceremony     |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                      |                       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The concept of                    | a. reserve a place    |
| 2. He once held a party              | b. any replies        |
| 3. no one from                       | c. disproven          |
| 4. memorial                          | d. for time travelers |
| 5. haven't received                  | e. of time travel     |
| 6. The deadline to                   | f. the future went    |
| 7. We cannot exclude the possibility | g. time travel        |
| 8. it has not been                   | h. service            |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel-4.html>

Time travelers (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Stephen Hawking's memorial service. The legendary cosmologist (2) \_\_\_\_\_ last month.

His family has (3) \_\_\_\_\_ for people to remember and celebrate his life. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ time travelers. Hawking wrote

that: "If time travel is possible, where are (5) \_\_\_\_\_ the future?" Now they can travel back in time. People born up to December 31, 2038 can (6) \_\_\_\_\_.

The (7) \_\_\_\_\_ travel interested Professor Hawking. He once held a party for time travelers, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ saying: "Welcome time travelers". However, no one (9) \_\_\_\_\_ went.

Organizers of the memorial service haven't received (10) \_\_\_\_\_ a time traveler. The deadline to

(11) \_\_\_\_\_ at the service is today. It is still possible. The organizers said: "We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has (12) \_\_\_\_\_."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# TIME TRAVEL SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1805/180516-time-travel-4.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.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

