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Time travelers invited to Stephen Hawking memorial

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THE READING

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Time travelers have been invited to Stephen Hawking's memorial service. The legendary cosmologist and author died on March 14. Thousands of well-wishers lined the streets in England for his funeral. His family has arranged a special ceremony for people to remember and celebrate his life. They have invited time travelers. Hawking famously wrote that: "If time travel is possible, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they have the chance to travel back in time. People with birth dates up to December 31, 2038 can apply to attend the service.

The concept of time travel intrigued Professor Hawking for decades. In 2009, he held a party for time travelers at Cambridge University. There was champagne and a banner saying: "Welcome time travelers". However, no one from the future went. The Stephen Hawking Foundation is organizing the memorial service. It is yet to receive any replies from a time traveler. The deadline to reserve a place at the June 15 event is today. The Foundation said it was still possible. It 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/>
<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

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Time travelers have | a. life |
| 2. Thousands of well-wishers | b. to December 31 |
| 3. His family has arranged a | c. lined the streets |
| 4. celebrate his | d. the service |
| 5. If time travel is | e. in time |
| 6. the chance to travel back | f. special ceremony |
| 7. People with birth dates up | g. been invited |
| 8. apply to attend | h. possible |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The concept | a. possibility |
| 2. intrigued Professor Hawking | b. time travelers |
| 3. he held a party for | c. to reserve a place |
| 4. no one from the future | d. disproven |
| 5. It is yet to receive | e. of time travel |
| 6. The deadline | f. went |
| 7. We cannot exclude the | g. for decades |
| 8. it has not been | h. any replies |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Time travelers (1) _____ to Stephen Hawking's memorial service. The legendary cosmologist (2) _____ on March 14. Thousands of well-wishers (3) _____ in England for his funeral. His family has arranged a special ceremony for people to remember and (4) _____. They have invited time travelers. Hawking famously wrote that: "If time travel is possible, where are the tourists from the future?" Now they have the chance (5) _____ in time. People with birth dates up to December 31, 2038 (6) _____ attend the service.

(7) _____ time travel intrigued Professor Hawking for decades. In 2009, he (8) _____ for time travelers at Cambridge University. There was champagne and a banner saying: "Welcome time travelers". However, no one (9) _____ went. The Stephen Hawking Foundation is organizing the memorial service. It is yet to receive (10) _____ a time traveler. The deadline to (11) _____ at the June 15 event is today. The Foundation said it was still possible. It said: "We cannot exclude the possibility of time travel as it has not been disproven (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) _____

