**8年级英语第29课时**

**《开启太空之旅—航天英雄面对面》学习指南**

**【学习目标】**

1. 能够获取、梳理并整合关于航天英雄Piers Sellers太空旅行的事实性信息，包括空间站生活的细节及飞天的情感变化。
2. 能够从宇航员太空旅行的细节信息中体会和归纳出相应的航天精神。
3. 能描述并评价宇航员太空旅行经历，表达向宇航员及其航天精神学习的感受。

**【学习任务单】**

**任务一：课前预习，朗读Li Ming和Piers Sellers的对话，并用下划线划出Li Ming所提出的问题。**

*Li Ming has got an opportunity to interview the astronaut Piers Sellers from NASA in America.*

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Li Ming: Hi, Mr. Sellers. I’m a middle school student. And I’m really honored to meet you here. I heard you’ve just returned to Earth after a 13-day journey to the International Space Station. How do you feel now?

Piers Sellers: Well, I feel relaxed. And now I can spend time with my family and have a good meal without floating away!

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Li Ming: Haha. I believe that was a totally different experience for you. How did you prepare for this journey?

Piers Sellers: We spent years in training before we could go into space. To ensure that we are prepared for anything, we need to do some indoor training like underwater training, listening tests and landing impact training, and also take some outdoor exercises including desert drills and sea survival courses.

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Li Ming: That sounds really tough. So how did you feel when you were in the spaceship at that time?

Piers Sellers: It was difficult to keep calm and relaxed during the count-down. The take-off was very frightening. But being in outer space was amazing and I was excited. I saw the sun and all the planets as well as the galaxy with its billions of stars. The earth looked very beautiful.

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Li Ming: What was your life in space like?

I’m really curious about it!

Piers Sellers: Well, the food was like baby food. I had to eat out of a toothpaste tube. It was difficult to brush my teeth or have a shower. Water floated in bubbles in space. There was a special “air toilet”. I lost my bone strength quickly in space so I had to do exercises to keep my bone strong as long as possible. And I had a special sleeping bag. I slept in the bag so that I would not fly away!

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Li Ming: Oh, it doesn’t sound like fun.

Piers Sellers: Haha~ Although we might face a lot of difficulties, I’m still proud of being an astronaut. It is a meaningful job to explore the universe. And I believe we can find out more secrets of space.

Li Ming: Yes! Me too! I’m confident about it. Thank you for letting me know so much about astronauts’ work and life in space.

**任务二: 分段阅读****Li Ming和Piers Sellers的对话，回答下列问题，并提炼关键词完成表格。**

2. How did Piers Sellers feel after the space travel?
3. Why did he feel so?
4. What do you think his space travel was probably like?
5. How did he probably feel during the space travel?

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1. How did Piers Sellers prepare for this journey?
2. What do you think of the training?
3. What spirits can you learn from astronauts?

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1. What does Li Ming think of the training?
2. How did Piers Sellers feel when he was in the spaceship at that time?
3. What spirits are reflected here?

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1. What was Piers Sellers’ life in space like?
2. What kinds of difficulties did he face?

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1. Did Piers Sellers regret being an astronaut? Why?
2. What spirits are reflected here?

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| **Piers Sellers’ experiences in space** | | | |
| **Time** | **Experiences** | **Description** | **Spirits** |
| Before  the space travel | * training | * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | * hard-working * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  the space travel | * take-off | * nervous * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| * life in space:   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | * excited * amazed by the universe * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  the space travel | * reunion with family * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | * relaxed |  |
| Conclusion: be proud of; confident | | | |

**任务三：****深入理解对话，依据文章中所给信息回答以下问题。**

How do you feel about astronauts’ work and life? Why?

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**任务四: 访谈汇报。**

If you were Li Ming, would you please give a report back to school after the interview？

Dear teachers and schoolmates,

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**任务五: Exercise.**

**一、根据中英文提示完成句子。**

1. 去太空之前我们已经花费数年进行训练。

We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years in training before we could go into space.

2. Piers Sellers刚刚结束13天的太空旅行。

Piers Sellers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a 13-day space journey.

3. 在太空中我已经看到了美丽的地球，但我还没看见长城。

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the beautiful earth but I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**二、Writing.**

April 24 is the Fifth Space Day of China. CNSA（中国航天局）is holding a writing competition. The theme is “*Space Spirit and I*”.

Please search for some information about Chinese astronauts’ work and life in space. Express your ideas and feelings.

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