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Do you think it is important for people to continue to travel into space? Why or why not? You may want to think about issues, such as

- costs
- dangers
- rewards



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Student writing assessment exemplar:

I agree with the statement that it is important for people to continue to travel into space. Many people around and astronomers around the globe are dreaming of travelling in space. First of all, it will cost lots of money for people to travel into space but it is good for developing science. The next mission of man is to explore the while universe and, to unlock the mysteries of space. Every government could save a little from other thinks and out of that money to developing space science. Of course, there are some issues that we should worry about from as the expense and dangers the could place. Secondly, People could face some problems as need of oxygen, asteroids and sun radiation. However, today we have enough technology to prevent that kind of problems. There are many reasons whie rush oo, to discove what's in it, to know the dangers it could bring in the earth and to know the possibility of people trying to live there. NASA and other space agencies are working hard on this project But in my own opinion, I think it is important for people to continue traveling in space.

Level 4: Uses more low-frequency subject-specific words (astronomers, science, universe, government, asteroids, radiation, space agencies), descriptive words (important, many, dreaming, other, enough), academic words (statement, continue, developing, explore, issues, technology, prevent, possibility), words with multiple meanings (space, mission, face, project), idioms (-), and figurative language (-)

Level 4: Uses a variety of compound sentences (First of all, it will cost lots of money for people to travel into space but it is good for developing science.) Attempts complex sentences (I agree with the statement that it is important for people to continue to travel into space.)

Level 4: Uses more low-frequency connector and transition words and phrases to express an opinion (I agree with, in my own opinion), emphasize (first of all, of course, secondly), show cause and effect (however, but), and express a condition (as)

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Writing Benchmark Level	4
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