

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

EXPLANATION: “NASA WANTS TO SMASH A SPACECRAFT INTO AN ASTEROID, BUT DON’T WORRY- EARTH ISN’T AT RISK”

In-text close reading comments

1. On your article write a symbol and write one or more complete sentence(s) (or two)response next to specific sentence you are responding to.
Choose any **3** *Write next the part of the article you are responding to, or do on a separate piece of loose leaf.*

Speech Bubble – Your opinion or comment about something specific said in the sentences you chose.

Question mark? – Ask a specific question about something you are not sure about or something you are wondering about which is written in the sentence(s) you chose.

Connection – Circle, mark an upper-case **C** and then write a one to two sentence explanation of a connection to something said in the article which you connect to movies, books, videos, social media, the world, news, your own life, or a book/something else you read and explain why. |

Intext Close Reading Choose all 3

- Questions: ?
- Comments: 
- Connections **C**

Intext Close Reading Examples:

• Questions:



The article states it is extremely unlikely an earth destroying asteroid like Chicxulub, which wiped out the dinosaurs, will occur, but do we really have the space technology to push or destroy a big one.

• Comments:



I believe not only should the biggest brained NASA scientists focus on defending us against asteroids, but also use their collective brain power to help halt the internal asteroid known as climate change.

• Connections



I watched the movie Don't Look Up on Netflix where (spoiler alert) they are trying to stop an asteroid heading toward earth. Also, spoiler, they didn't invest in the same big brain NASA technology.

Constructed Response sheet - use it

**REMEMBER FOR EVERY TIME YOU
RESPOND TO READING OR VIEWING –
FULL SENTENCES**

EVIDENCE/SUPPORT FROM READING

OWN THOUGHTS FULLY EXPLAINED

5 Sentence Reflection Question

- Based on the scientific evidence of the possibilities of asteroids hitting the earth, how important do you feel it is or isn't to keep investing money in asteroid defending technology like DART. What are your own thoughts or fears on this topic. Finally, while defending against asteroids helps everyone, are there spending on space travel and spacecraft that could be better spent on helping earth? Explain.
- a) First sentence should be a topic sentence, which is fully written and quickly summarizes what the article is about.
- b) Second sentence should explain what the question is and then begin to respond in your own words.
- **Put this reflection question in your answer when writing your response. Meaning write the question being asked, then explain your own thoughts with support/proof/quotations from the article. Use your Constructing a Response to a Question sheet to help guide how you write your response.**

5 Sentence Reflection : Example

- (1st sentence- Explain/summarize topic) The article, “NASA wants to smash a spacecraft into an asteroid, but don’t worry- Earth isn’t at risk” is about.....
- (2nd sentence Writing the question in the answer) **It is or isn’t to keep investing money in asteroid defending technology like DART** because (use your own thoughts and proof from the article)
- (3rd sentence respond to the next question with question in answer) **What are my fears on the topic, well**(use your own thoughts and evidence from the article)
- (4th sentence respond to the last question with question in answer) **There is some spending on space travel that**.....(use your own thoughts with proof from article)
- (5th sentence Conclusion where you add to one of the above three questions and give your overall thoughts)