



PART 4 – READY TO MINE

The outside door of the spacecraft is about to open.

Beyond the door the Moon is black, white and grey.

“Are you ready, Tazz?” asks my computer, MIC.

“I’m ready,” I say.

The door opens and I step onto the moon.

It is very quiet. I can feel my heart beating inside my spacesuit.

I can see the Earth. It looks very small.

“Can you see your moon buggy?” asks MIC.

“Yes,” I say, “I am going to it now.”

There is no gravity on the moon. Each step is like walking on a bouncy castle. It is good fun.

I start the moon buggy. It has big, fat wheels, and cameras on it to look for rocks and holes that can get in my way. There is no road. I can steer where I want to go.

It doesn’t take me long to get to the mine.

There are 20 small crates of rocks which robots have dug up and put into boxes. I take four at a time back to the spacecraft on the moon buggy. It doesn’t take me long to load them onto it.

I will stay one more day on the moon before I go home.