

## Treaties of the New Frontier

### Launching Laws for Space:

The Mini Page: Week of March 16-22, 2014

*CCSS: reading informational text*

*Vocabulary: Locate the words below in the Mini Page and explain their meaning in the context.*

- Celestial – objects in outer space; heavenly bodies
- Licenses – permits; permissions to do something such as driving a car

1. Who owns the oceans?

- A everyone
- B no one
- C the Soviet Union
- D the United States

2. What did the Cold War adversaries, the United States and the Soviet Union, do in 1967?

- A Built a space station.
- B Landed spacecrafts on the moon.
- C Signed a space treaty.
- D Worked together on Sputnik.

3. What caused the Soviet Union to pay money to Canada?

- A a satellite accident
- B a submarine accident
- C a missile accident
- D a warplane accident

4. Why did countries agree to space treaties?

- A They agreed to study sunspots.
- B They began to forecast weather.
- C They feared attack from each other.
- D They wanted to build colonies on Mars.

5. If Apple Computer launched a satellite into earth orbit and if the satellite exploded and caused damage to Russia, who would pay for the damage?

- A Canada
- B England
- C Russia
- D United States

**Ans:**

1b

2c

3a

4c

5d

**Use the News:**

Search print and electronic newspapers for recent stories (books and films) about space and space exploration. What did you learn from reading the stories? About the United States? About the Soviet Union? About other countries? About privately-funded space ventures or ventures not paid for by government funds? About public support for ongoing space exploration?