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[Mike Massimino] Hi Iím Mike Massimino and this is Inside the International Space Station.

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Intro clip: ìYou feel like youíre not missing everything.

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Just tell people you can call them but they canít

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call us.

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Gimme a break, donít call so much.

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Her grand kid floating in space.î

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[Massimino] Weíre going to talk to Joe Acaba and Suni Williams about their upcoming space

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flight.

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[Williams] You know, I think the space station life and training everything fits my personality

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a little better than shuttle.

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You know, Shuttle is pretty, like Joe said, pretty direct and you know what youíre gonna

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do and boom, boom, boom.

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For Station it's pretty, like, well we'll see what happens, like Joe said,

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when you get there.

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You sorta have to be flexible and I think I live my life a little bit like that.

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We'll see what happens and it's okay.

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I think it's a little bit of a change of pace.

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Maybe it's a little bit slower in some regards but it's a marathon so you have

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to be ready to do this for a long time.

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I like that, I like that better actually, I think, than the rush,

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rush Shuttle flight.

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And actually, one of the really cool things

about it is you get to engage people on the

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ground.

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When you're up there for a long time uh folks know that we only, we're launching out of

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Kazakhstan so it's a long trip, it's expensive, not many of

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your guests get to go to launch but that's okay because you're going to be in space

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for a long time and you get to interact with them for six months.

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For example, my dad and my mom, they're not going,

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they're a little bit older and I said don't go and they're feeling bad about it.

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I said the launch is only, is only the first eight minutes really and the

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rest of the time we'll be in space.

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We'll be in space for six months on the Space Station.

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We'll be able to use the phone and internet
you know, to do net

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00:01:46,329 --> 00:01:50,049
meeting and see you down on the ground, you
know.

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I like the Space Station idea just because
you

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can bring a bunch of people along with you
for six months.

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They're watching what you're doing if you
have the ability to write a journal or send

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00:01:59,960 --> 00:02:02,299
down pictures or tweet and do Facebook and
stuff like that

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00:02:02,299 --> 00:02:06,289
from space it really engages a lot of people
and I think that's really important.

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00:02:06,289 --> 00:02:09,590
It's good for kids in
school and other organizations so it's fun.

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00:02:09,590 --> 00:02:10,590
It's gonna be fun.

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00:02:10,590 --> 00:02:11,590
[Massimino] It's interesting you say that
because sometimes, one would think, not knowing

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00:02:11,590 --> 00:02:15,269

the
experience that you've had that you going

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00:02:15,269 --> 00:02:21,220

into space and you have your crew mates but
it's kind of

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like you're isolated like in your own world
more or less, almost, literally off the planet.

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00:02:25,819 --> 00:02:31,410

Everyone else is
here, and you're up there but really, the

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00:02:31,410 --> 00:02:34,560

way you describe it, you're connected.

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00:02:34,560 --> 00:02:36,130

[Williams] Oh yeah.

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I think so.

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I think you bring everybody along.

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00:02:38,130 --> 00:02:41,540

My sister said last time I would write a
journal on Sunday night so they would get

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up, her and her friends at work would all
get in their inbox

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at work on Monday morning and they would read
it and you know it was like the New York Times

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the Boston Globe.

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They would be like, hey, when you come back
you have to keep writing a journal

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00:02:53,019 --> 00:02:54,739

because on Monday morning we will read your
journal.

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I was like, no way, thereís more about my
life

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00:02:57,970 --> 00:02:59,200

you donít want to know about on the ground.

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Space, I can do that.

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00:03:00,450 --> 00:03:01,450

No problem.

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00:03:01,450 --> 00:03:05,580

[Massimino] Do you find you have more time
to do that stuff in space than you do on the

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00:03:05,580 --> 00:03:06,970

ground too
because you get back to earth and Ö

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00:03:06,970 --> 00:03:07,970

[Williams] Yeah, itís crazy

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00:03:07,970 --> 00:03:10,480

[Massimino] Maybe you get back into the routine
where maybe you have even more time.

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00:03:10,480 --> 00:03:12,411
[Williams] Yeah, I think up in space you do.

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00:03:12,411 --> 00:03:15,430
You feel like you're, from my last flight,
you feel like you're

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00:03:15,430 --> 00:03:19,410
rushed cause you have a lot of stuff on the
time line that you're trying to do but they

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00:03:19,410 --> 00:03:22,819
gave you part of
the weekend off and it's a good thing because

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00:03:22,819 --> 00:03:24,769
you have time to look out the window, time
to enjoy

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00:03:24,769 --> 00:03:29,959
the planet and then time to try and relay
that to the folks on the ground.

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00:03:29,959 --> 00:03:33,350
We're really lucky because
there's only a handful of us who get to see

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00:03:33,350 --> 00:03:34,350
that.

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00:03:34,350 --> 00:03:35,799
And you just, I wish I could bring all of
my family and

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00:03:35,799 --> 00:03:36,799
friends up here.

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00:03:36,799 --> 00:03:39,110

You wouldn't believe how beautiful this is,
and you try to capture it.

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00:03:39,110 --> 00:03:43,810
Luckily, we now
have a 3-D camera and HD cameras up there

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00:03:43,810 --> 00:03:46,190
so we'll do the best that we can to send
the stuff back

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00:03:46,190 --> 00:03:51,220
down but I think some of the human emotion
is important too.

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00:03:51,220 --> 00:03:54,799
Journal that and send that out and
people can sort of feel like they're there

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00:03:54,799 --> 00:03:55,799
too.

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00:03:55,799 --> 00:04:00,573
[Massimino] You mention that the way you stay
connected; on the flights I had we didn't

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00:04:00,573 --> 00:04:03,909
have a
phone, we went to Hubble, nobody was there

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00:04:03,909 --> 00:04:08,310
you know, we had to turn right back around
but the

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00:04:08,310 --> 00:04:11,590
phone thing, you know, I've gotten some calls
from some of our friends up there.

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00:04:11,590 --> 00:04:12,930
It's pretty hilarious

when that happens.

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00:04:12,930 --> 00:04:14,900
Have you had a lot of fun surprising people?

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00:04:14,900 --> 00:04:15,900
[Williams] Oh yeah.

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00:04:15,900 --> 00:04:23,350
[Massimino] Do you trick people; do you make
prank phone calls and order pizza?

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00:04:23,350 --> 00:04:26,380
What do you do?

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00:04:26,380 --> 00:04:27,490
[Acaba] That's a good one.

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00:04:27,490 --> 00:04:28,490
We gotta try that.

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00:04:28,490 --> 00:04:29,490
[Williams] That's a good idea.

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00:04:29,490 --> 00:04:31,150
[Massimino] I can give you ideas like that,
stuff that I would do.

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00:04:31,150 --> 00:04:36,570
You know, it's like a big thing to get a
phone call so I mean it must be, and we're

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00:04:36,570 --> 00:04:39,900
astronauts so, what is, I mean do you have
some funny

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00:04:39,900 --> 00:04:40,900
experiences?

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00:04:40,900 --> 00:04:42,380

[Williams] Most people don't believe it.

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00:04:42,380 --> 00:04:44,620

They're like, no, where are you?

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00:04:44,620 --> 00:04:45,620

Why're you calling?

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00:04:45,620 --> 00:04:46,620

We
thought you were in space.

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00:04:46,620 --> 00:04:47,630

When'd you come home?

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00:04:47,630 --> 00:04:48,630

I missed it.

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00:04:48,630 --> 00:04:50,990

But it is surprising to a lot of folks.

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00:04:50,990 --> 00:04:54,970

They don't realize that actually we have
a phone in space and it's not a cell phone

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00:04:54,970 --> 00:04:58,300

but when we have
the great connection we can call, and you

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00:04:58,300 --> 00:05:00,970

can call anywhere and it's great cause it
really does keep you

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00:05:00,970 --> 00:05:02,850

connected to your family.

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00:05:02,850 --> 00:05:09,610

We have video conferencing once a week but it's a perfect thing to

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remember everybody's birthday and be able to call them and say Happy Birthday.

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00:05:12,520 --> 00:05:13,520

Massamino: You listening Joe.

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00:05:13,520 --> 00:05:14,640

[Acaba] Now I gotta make a list for Birthdays.

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00:05:14,640 --> 00:05:16,860

I didn't plan on doing that but now we all know I can use

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00:05:16,860 --> 00:05:17,860

the phone.

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00:05:17,860 --> 00:05:19,610

[Williams] Yeah, holidays and stuff like that.

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00:05:19,610 --> 00:05:22,980

At least you don't feel like you miss it entirely.

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00:05:22,980 --> 00:05:26,460

I remember being put on speaker phone and folks down

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00:05:26,460 --> 00:05:30,570

on the ground having a party and you can hear glasses

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00:05:30,570 --> 00:05:35,280

tinking and stuff like that and it's nice.

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I think it's good for folks on the ground
but it's also good for us.

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You feel like you're not missing everything.

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00:05:40,190 --> 00:05:42,550

You're up there and you know parties are
going on and

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00:05:42,550 --> 00:05:48,290

you're, aw, I'm not there, and you can make
a phone call and everyone wants to say hi

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00:05:48,290 --> 00:05:50,010

so it makes you
feel like you're involved.

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00:05:50,010 --> 00:05:52,650

[Massimino] What about you Joe, you got to
use the phone on your first flight?

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00:05:52,650 --> 00:05:53,880

[Acaba] Yeah, yeah, the phone is nice.

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00:05:53,880 --> 00:05:57,130

The good thing about the phone, we always
tell people we can call

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00:05:57,130 --> 00:05:58,660

them but they can't call us.

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00:05:58,660 --> 00:06:00,240

[Williams] That's key.

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00:06:00,240 --> 00:06:04,880

[Acaba] some people, they get a phone number
on their caller ID from Houston and they say,

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00:06:04,880 --> 00:06:06,170

ah, I don't
wanna talk to Joe today.

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00:06:06,170 --> 00:06:09,480

So you leave a message on their answering
machine and they're like, Oh

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00:06:09,480 --> 00:06:11,260

man, I missed his call.

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00:06:11,260 --> 00:06:13,070

So that's always good, them having that.

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00:06:13,070 --> 00:06:17,260

It's a great way to connect with people
and you know it's just as good for us as

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00:06:17,260 --> 00:06:18,260

for the people you call.

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00:06:18,260 --> 00:06:19,290

[Massimino] Did you ever have anyone not believe
it was you when you called?

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00:06:19,290 --> 00:06:23,361

You may not have as
much time to call as Sunny did but did you

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00:06:23,361 --> 00:06:24,480

ever have anyone not believe you?

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00:06:24,480 --> 00:06:27,371

[Acaba] Yeah, what I thought was cool was
when I called my grandmother, you know, for

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00:06:27,371 --> 00:06:29,350

her to get a call
from space.

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00:06:29,350 --> 00:06:32,730

Where she grew up she didn't have a phone, probably didn't have electricity, she grew

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up pretty rural in Puerto Rico, so for her to do that and when we had a private family

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00:06:39,820 --> 00:06:42,520

conference, you know, for her to see her grandkid floating

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00:06:42,520 --> 00:06:44,300

in space, yeah, that was pretty cool.

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00:06:44,300 --> 00:06:47,140

[Williams] Actually, speaking about the phone though, my husband was getting tired of me

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00:06:47,140 --> 00:06:48,140

calling.

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00:06:48,140 --> 00:06:49,140

[Massimino] Really?

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00:06:49,140 --> 00:06:50,690

[Williams] He said we talk to each other more now that you're in space.

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00:06:50,690 --> 00:06:52,320

You're not doing anything up there.

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00:06:52,320 --> 00:06:54,980

Get to work; I'm tired of you calling so much.

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00:06:54,980 --> 00:06:59,280

[Massimino] I've heard this problem before;

sometimes the kids are glad the parents are

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00:06:59,280 --> 00:07:00,280

gone.

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00:07:00,280 --> 00:07:02,680

[Williams] Gimme a break, don't call so much,
stop annoying me.

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00:07:02,680 --> 00:07:03,680

[Massimino] Come back to Earth, where you
don't call so much.

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00:07:03,680 --> 00:07:05,740

But he really said that?

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00:07:05,740 --> 00:07:07,280

Mike said
that?

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00:07:07,280 --> 00:07:08,620

[Williams] Yeah he was sorta joking around.