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It's an exciting time at NASA,  
we're building and testing

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00:00:03,754 --> 00:00:07,324  
the rocket that will enable a new  
era of human space exploration,

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00:00:07,324 --> 00:00:11,428  
the most powerful rocket ever  
built, America's deep space rocket

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00:00:11,428 --> 00:00:13,196  
the Space Launch System!

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00:00:13,196 --> 00:00:16,433  
Welcome back to SLS trivia!  
I'm Kevin O'Brien.

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00:00:16,433 --> 00:00:21,304  
I'm a driver, I'm a flyer, but  
most importantly, I'm your host!

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00:00:21,304 --> 00:00:24,341  
Today we've got three new  
questions about deep space.

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So, let's get right to it! I've got  
a really good feeling about this.

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00:00:28,211 --> 00:00:29,980  
Question number one!

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00:00:29,980 --> 00:00:33,750  
Once SLS reaches low-Earth  
orbit, what in-space propulsive

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maneuver will it perform to  
send its payload to the Moon?

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Lunar Orbit Orientation

Propulsion Technique

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Trans-Lunar Injection

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or the Holdo Maneuver

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Well it takes a big rocket to  
get big payloads to the Moon,

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and that's why the colossal SLS  
rocket will be the only rocket

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capable of launching crew  
and large cargo to the Moon in

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a single launch.

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The Holdo Maneuver may be  
useful when protecting Resistance

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transporters from attacks  
by the First Order

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but it won't do much good  
in getting you to the Moon.

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Nope, there's no plot holes  
in this one, to get to the Moon,

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SLS will perform a Trans-Lunar  
Injection to create enough velocity

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to overcome the pull of Earth's  
gravity. On its first flight, SLS will

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of delivering more than  
26 metric tons to TLI,

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and the evolved SLS Block  
2 will be capable of delivering

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more than 45 metric tons to  
TLI, making SLS the world's most

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powerful rocket. Wow.  
On to Q2! Punch it!

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On Exploration Mission-1,  
the SLS rocket's Interim

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Cryogenic Propulsion Stage will  
give the Orion spacecraft the big

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in-space boost needed to  
fly to the Moon and beyond.

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The ICPS will be powered  
by what engine?

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Is it the RL10

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The SRB42

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or a Twin Ion Engine

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When the ICPS fires to  
perform a Trans-Lunar Injection,

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00:01:57,968 --> 00:02:01,004

what rocket engine will it be firing?

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Well, SRB42 engines are  
helpful when trying to make

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the Kessel Run in less than  
12 parsecs, or fighting off TIE fighters,

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00:02:09,713 --> 00:02:12,682

which happen to be powered  
by Twin Ion Engines,

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but the ICPS will be  
powered by the liquid

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hydrogen and liquid  
oxygen fueled RL10.

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The RL10, which has been  
crucial to NASA's space

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exploration and has put hundreds  
of commercial and military payloads

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into orbit, will produce more  
than 24 thousand pounds of thrust

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when performing at TLI.

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How are you doing so far?

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Great kid, don't get cocky!

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00:02:35,906 --> 00:02:37,440

Question number three.

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Flying as secondary payloads  
on EM-1, 13 CubeSats

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will be located where on  
the SLS rocket?

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Orion Stage Adapter

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The Launch Vehicle Stage Adapter

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00:02:48,018 --> 00:02:49,219  
or the Forward Skirt

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00:02:49,219 --> 00:02:53,723  
After the Orion spacecraft  
separates from the ICPS,

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00:02:53,723 --> 00:02:57,194  
the CubeSats will embark on  
their own deep-space missions,

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but where will these little  
stowaways hitch their rides?

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The 13 small satellites will ride  
into deep space inside

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00:03:04,701 --> 00:03:09,339  
the Orion Stage Adapter, which  
will connect Orion to the ICPS.

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00:03:09,339 --> 00:03:12,175  
Each has a mission that can  
provide NASA with new

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key knowledge and test  
new technologies.

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CubeSats flown on the mission  
will perform in-space experiments

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and demonstrations that  
will advance the capabilities

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needed to take humans farther  
into space than ever before.

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00:03:24,988 --> 00:03:28,658  
There you go! Three questions  
all about how SLS

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00:03:28,658 --> 00:03:31,861  
will enable a new era of  
deep-space exploration.

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00:03:31,861 --> 00:03:35,498  
You know, sometimes I amaze  
even myself. How'd you do?

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00:03:35,498 --> 00:03:38,034  
Let us know in the comments,  
and make sure to share

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00:03:38,034 --> 00:03:39,236  
with your friends.

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00:03:39,236 --> 00:03:41,338  
For more about the  
Space Launch System,

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