

■ Fill in the gaps in the following sentences.

- Q1.** I've tried everything under the ....., but nothing seems to get my son to understand mathematics.
- Q2.** It is such a shame! I used to see my cousin Alyssa all the time but since she moved to Scotland, I only get to see her ..... in a blue moon.
- Q3.** I hope Pam comes back down to ..... soon. She has been so annoying since she started going out with that famous actor.
- Q4.** Andy's car is something of a black ..... for maps, pens and old cassette tapes.
- Q5.** You don't need to be a ..... scientist to work this microwave, but read the manual before using it if you want to make the most of it.
- Q6.** Alyssa is over the ..... with her new job. She is now really pleased that she left her last one.
- Q7.** George got a bit carried away when he first moved to London and became rather arrogant. He has since come back down to ....., thank goodness.
- Q8.** Brian used to spend most of the classes at school staring into ....., but it turned out that he was a brilliant artist when he grew up.
- Q9.** When I was at secondary school, my geography teacher Mr McArthy was usually the most boring teacher in the school. However, once in a blue ..... he would teach us something interesting.
- Q10.** When I was a child, my grandfather always encouraged us to reach for the ..... in everything we do.

## ANSWERS

- A1.** I've tried everything under the **sun**, but nothing seems to get my son to understand mathematics.
- A2.** It is such a shame! I used to see my cousin Alyssa all the time but since she moved to Scotland, I only get to see her **once** in a blue moon.
- A3.** I hope Pam comes back down to **earth** soon. She has been so annoying since she started going out with that famous actor.
- A4.** Andy's car is something of a black **hole** for maps, pens and old cassette tapes.
- A5.** You don't need to be a **rocket** scientist to work this microwave, but read the manual before using it if you want to make the most of it.
- A6.** Alyssa is over the **moon** with her new job. She is now really pleased that she left her last one.
- A7.** George got a bit carried away when he first moved to London and became rather arrogant. He has since come back down to **earth**, thank goodness.
- A8.** Brian used to spend most of the classes at school staring into **space**, but it turned out that he was a brilliant artist when he grew up.
- A9.** When I was at secondary school, my geography teacher Mr McArthy was usually the most boring teacher in the school. However, once in a blue **moon** he would teach us something interesting.
- A10.** When I was a child, my grandfather always encouraged us to reach for the **stars** in everything we do.