## ACTIVITY 48 - Living On the Moon?

People have been talking about setting up a base on the Moon sometime in the future. But what would life be like? Here is a poem about it to get you thinking.

What if we lived
Way out there on the moon?
Where the fireflies never

sneak out after June?

Where we can't go catfishing Or climb a tall tree? And where we'll never, not ever, Get stung by a bee.

What if we lived
Way out there on the moon?
In a big and round something
That looks like a balloon?

Where Grandma cannot grow Her blue roses outside. And there is never a place Worth seeking to hide. Where our breakfasts and dinners

All come in a pouch. And everyone has An inflatable couch.

What if we lived
Way out there on the moon?
Just like ol' Davy Crocket
And old Daniel Boone?

All their adventure and daring, All the challenge and thrill Of discovering wonders Nobody else will.

And what a breathtaking vision
To see the earth rise
Over our dismal and dusty,
Dark and grim lunar skies.

What if we lived

Way out there on the moon? Where there isn't a single Apricot tree to prune...

Where we can't go out swimming,

Or chase butterflies, Not even after a one And a million tries.

Oh, I would miss all the trees, Every bee, every bird, I would miss every hello That I've ever heard.

And I would miss our blue sky, And Mom's Pickled Root Beer. No, I think I would much Rather stick around here.

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What challenges will humans face if they are to live on the Moon? How do you think these might be solved? Use your imagination and be as creative as you can be to record your ideas.