

English II

Debate Paper

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Should personal taxes be used for space exploration?

Why not? When Columbus sailed for America under Queen Isabel, Spain nearly went bankrupt! They didn't know much more about ^{what} this new land, (if there was one) would be like any more than we know ^{now} what will be on the moon (if anything is on it). There wasn't much difference their motive then, than our motive now. They merely set out to prove the world was round and we are trying to prove a man can be sat on the moon. But just stop and think for a minute. Has \$15,000,000 dollars really been lost or wasted just because a rocket fails to leave the ground or blows up? No!! Did you ever stop to think of all the metals and by-products they've discovered in the course of making these unsuccessful rockets? And what about the different types of

glass. And you mustn't forget the
plastics!