



**STAR GAZERS:** Playford International College students Caitlyn and Khadija, both 14.

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# Challenge gives kids the space to dream

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DESIGNING a toy or gadget for people moving to Mars is the latest challenge for kids set by the Commissioner for Children and Young People.

Space to Dream is commissioner Helen Connolly's follow-up to last year's Learn to Speak Robot challenge.

That was completed by more than 19,000 children in 217 schools, 31 libraries, and various community groups, and at home with families.

Selected toy and gadget

designs will feature in a public exhibition at UniSA's MOD (Museum of Discovery) later this year, and in the commissioner's online gallery.

The digital challenges aim to foster "design thinking" skills that will be vital in the space industry.

*The Advertiser* and Adelaide University's free Future Proof Space Jobs Forum is in the uni's Scott Theatre on Thursday at 6pm.

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