

Quintina

Celestial Clean-up

For space mess, scientists seek celestial broom...Kenneth Chang

- A Chicken Little, the sky is falling!
 - B Space junk is falling in chunks and pieces
 - C an overcrowded traffic jam.
 - D Many nations own the celestial debris.
 - E Many nations must clean up after themselves.
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- C A defunct NASA satellite crashed in a jam.
 - D Failed Russian probe in smithereens, left debris.
 - B The International space station dodges pieces
 - E 20,000 pieces of space junk collide with themselves.
 - A Bring out nets, drag them to Earth to prevent falling!
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- B If they collide they can create more pieces.
 - E But nations don't want to monitor themselves.
 - D Junk shatters in 17,000 miles per hour crashes leaving debris.
 - A Satellite operators can dodge big stuff, but little junk's falling
 - C leaving Earth's near neighborhood in a jam.
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- D GPS, weather warnings, hurricane tracking threatened by debris.
 - A Space junk can be tethered to prevent falling.
 - E But nations still working on codes of conduct for themselves.
 - C Meanwhile space junk and communications continue to jam.
 - B Just who is going to pick up the pieces?
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- E Nations must stop space pollution themselves.
 - C Chicken Little Syndrome leaves us in a jam.
 - A We join in shouting: Chicken Little the sky is falling!
 - B The US Air Force tracks 20,000 orbiting space junk pieces.
 - D The Kessler Syndrome deals with problem of space junk debris.
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- ABC/DE Falling space junk pieces jam communication devices and cause debris by colliding with themselves.

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1. Like a short sestina.
2. Based on five ends words.
3. 27 lines.
4. End words pattern.

A-B-C-D-E

C-D-B-E-A

B-E-D-A-C

D-A-E-C-B

E-C-A-B-D

Envoy: A-B-C/D-E or A-B/C-D-E