We call the space station international because people from different country’s live and work there. Also parts of the station are from different countries. It is important to us because it has a science lab so the astronauts can do experiments with plants to see it they will grow in zero gravity. Also we can use the station to test different kinds of material to see if they will protect humans from the dangers in space. Lastly if humans ever had to leave the earth, the ISS could give us knowledge about how humans are affected by long term exposure to zero gravity