





One Small Step For Mankind!

W.A.L.T: explore the major
events that led to the Moon
Landing

Can you remember what the 'Space Race' was? Can you remember any of the events that happened?

Think, Pair, Share.



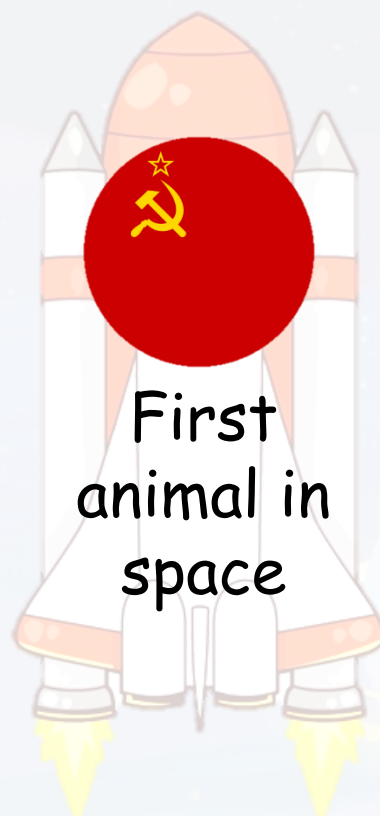


Both the USA and USSR wanted to show the world that their country was the best. Instead of fighting a war, the two countries had a race to see who could achieve most in space. Remember, this is at a time when humans had never left earth before!

Who did what? Think, Pair, Share!

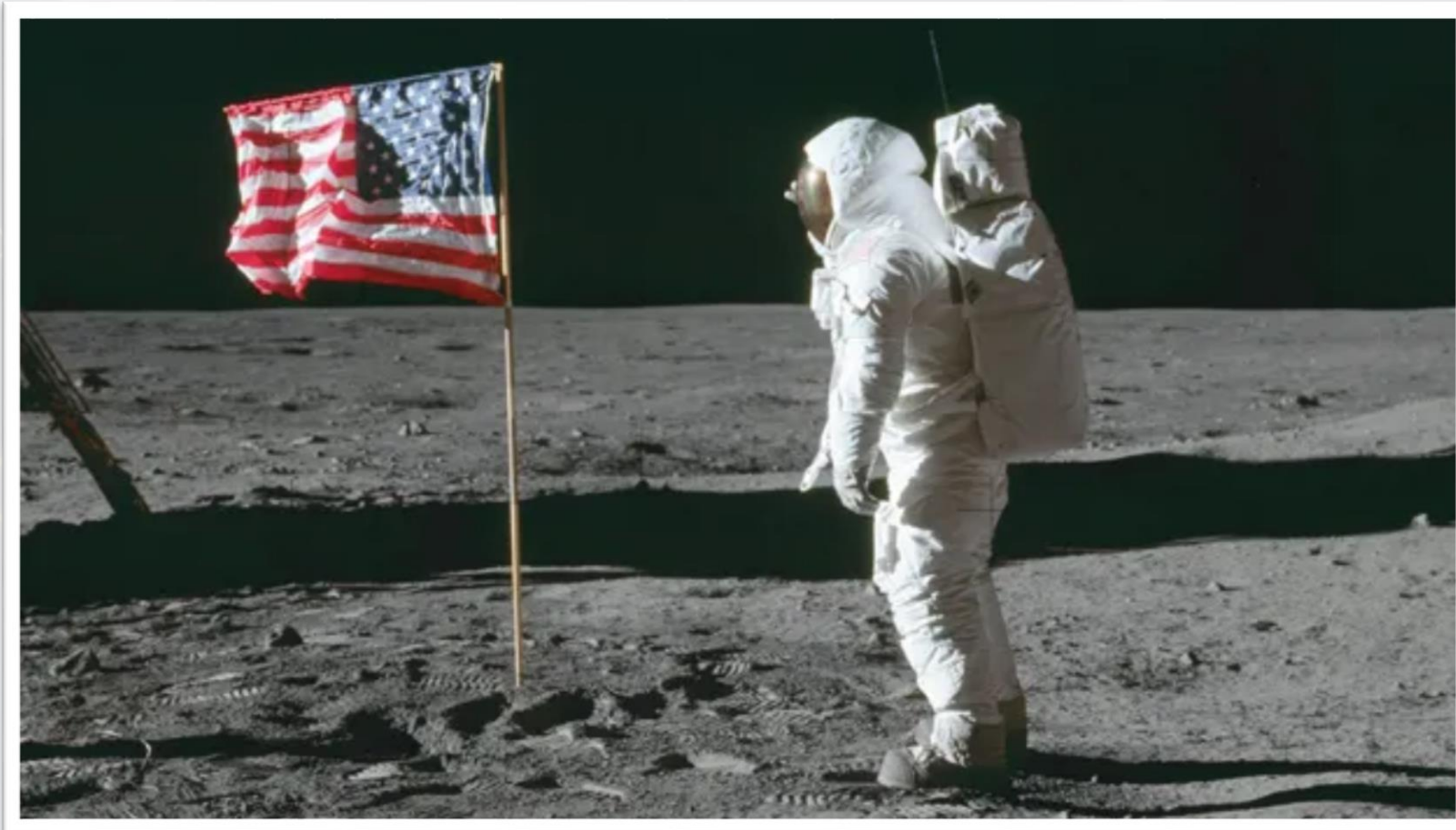


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With this speech, President Kennedy set into motion a long chain of events that would end with an American on the moon. The 'Moon Landing' ended the Space Race once and for all.



What do you already
know about the first
moon landing?

Think, Pair, Share.



Three astronauts were chosen to lead the mission to the moon; Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins.



EDWIN E. ALDRIN, JR.



NEIL A. ARMSTRONG



MICHAEL COLLINS



The astronauts had to undergo intense training on earth to get ready for the challenges of landing on the moon. The astronauts had to wear their 80kg spacesuits for all training exercises. That's the same weight as fully grown reindeer!

Activity Time

Your group is going to be given a 'training programme' to show us.

You group has to show the astronauts training for this space activity through a drama piece.



While the Apollo 11 crew were busy training for their moon mission, 400,000 other workers were busy at work making sure everything was prepared for the mission.



Other than the 3
astronauts, what other jobs
do you think people were
working on for the Apollo
11 mission?



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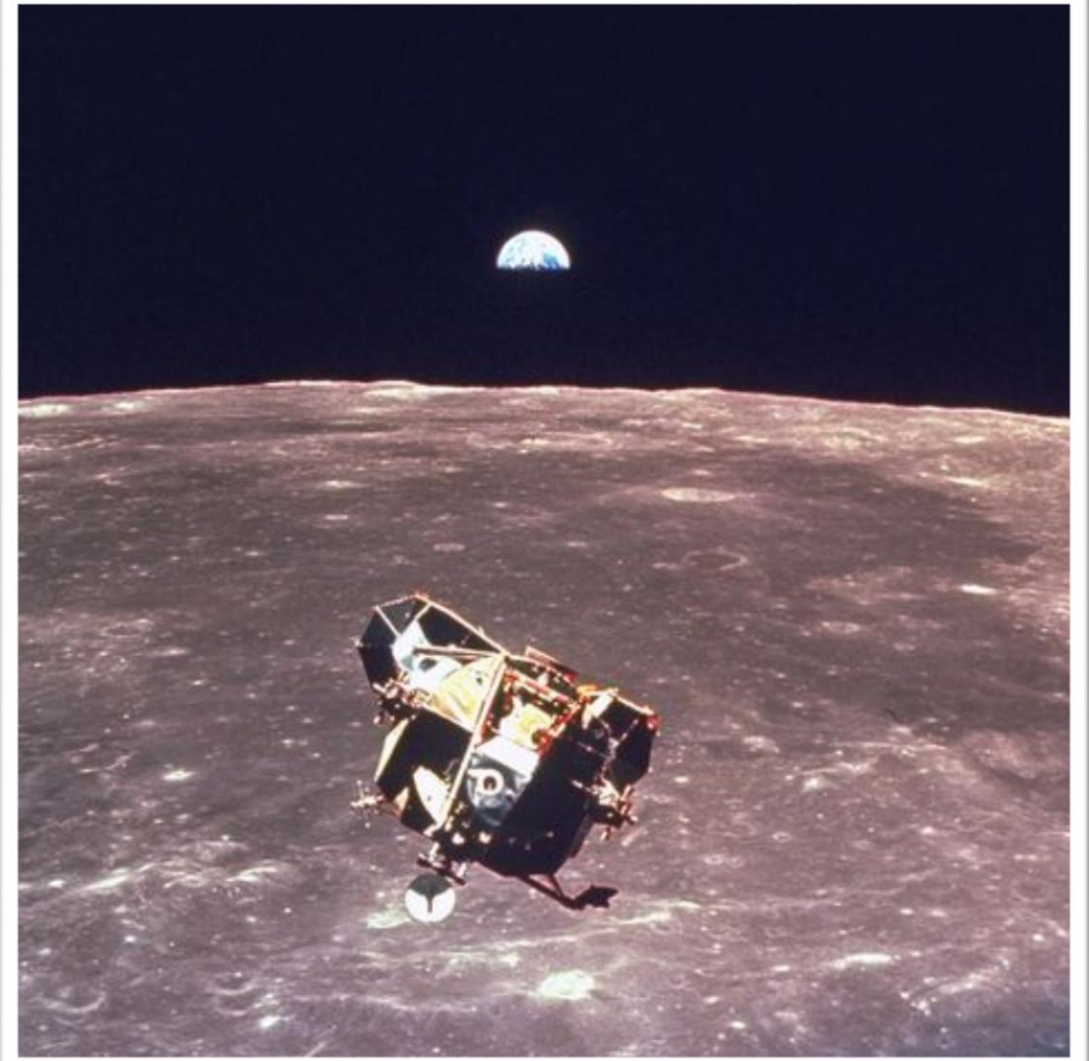
Your group is going to be given a 'part' of the Apollo 11 mission to prepare. You need to create a drama piece that shows the factory workers in your factory working on making that piece for the Apollo 11 mission.





On 16th of July 1969, three astronauts boarded the enormous Saturn V rocket. The rocket was taller than the Statue of Liberty! These three astronauts were about to make history by being the first humans on the moon.

12 minutes later, the astronauts were orbiting Earth. In only 4 days, the Apollo 11 crew had reached the moon. Once they were in orbit, Armstrong and Aldrin climbed into the Eagle Lunar Lander. Collins stayed behind orbiting the moon.



'The Eagle' made it's slow landing on the moon itself. Even though the astronauts had practiced this landing many times on Earth, there really was no telling what would happen when they tried it on the moon for the first time.



How do you think
Armstrong and Aldrin were
feeling as they slowly
tried to land on the
moon?

Think, Pair, Share



At 3.17 pm, the NASA control room heard the words they were hoping for. Neil Armstrong's voice came over the radio and told them that 'The Eagle has landed'.

The control room erupted into celebration! The next step was to get out of the Eagle.



Activity Time

Imagine your group are the first astronauts to land on the moon. You have just landed on the moon in 'The Eagle'. Show us a short drama piece that retells the first human steps on the moon. Remember how they would move!





Neil Armstrong climbed down the ladder of The Eagle. As he made his way down, a special camera captured the first steps on the moon. As Armstrong took his first steps on the moon he said his famous words. 'One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind'.



The remarkable thing about the moon landing, was that you could watch it unfold right there on the TV in front of you.

Over half a billion people watched the moon landing on their television sets. They watched history live.

What do you think the
astronauts did on the
moon?
Think, Pair, Share



The astronauts collected lots of rock and soil samples to take back with them. They conducted lots of science experiments on the moon too. Of course, they also had a bit of fun jumping around! They were able to take some amazing pictures like this one!



Activity Time

When the Apollo 11 crew landed on the moon, the President of the USA, President Nixon called them to congratulate them. You can imagine he had many questions for them! Write and record the conversation you think Nixon and the Apollo crew had.

