

Have you got what it takes to go into space?



Many of us dream of going into space when we're older. But life in space isn't easy. Have you got what it takes to be an astronaut?

You must work hard at school, because you have to go to university and study Science or Maths. Many astronauts have to know how to fly a plane, too.

There's a physical exam, so you have to be fit and healthy. Astronauts have to exercise a lot when they're in space to keep their muscles strong.

You have to be friendly and good at teamwork, because astronauts live and work together in a very small space.

Astronauts have to wear a space suit when they work outside the Space Station. It can take them over an hour to put on a space suit, and they need a helper to put on all of the different parts in the right order. The suits are always made a little bit bigger, because astronauts grow taller when they're in space!

People from all over the world go to space. You have to speak English and Russian, so that you can talk to the other astronauts. You can learn Russian when you're training to be an astronaut, like Nicole Stott.



Nicole Stott was part of a team of six astronauts who lived on the International Space Station for 91 days. As part of her job, Nicole went on space walks to repair the Space Station. She also did experiments.

Are you still interested in becoming an astronaut? Make sure you study hard and keep fit and healthy. And one day, we will see you in space!

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2- Read the article again. What have you got to do to be an astronaut?

To be an astronaut, you have to:
