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CHARLES LINDBERGH

The first person to fly alone across the Atlantic Ocean was Charles Lindbergh. Lindbergh loved to fly. He started flying at the age of 20. The following year, he bought his own plane. In the beginning, Lindbergh was a stunt pilot. He was paid to do tricks with his plane.

Then, Lindbergh began working as an airmail pilot. He delivered mail by airplane. He would fly back and forth between St. Louis and Chicago. Lindbergh was gaining experience flying long distances.

In 1926, Lindbergh began thinking about flying his plane nonstop from New York to Paris. This had never been done before. There was a prize of $25,000 for the first person who could do it. Lindbergh got a group of businessmen from St. Louis to help him. The first thing he did was buy a new plane. He named it the "Spirit of St. Louis." He set a speed record flying from San Diego to New York.

On May 20, 1927, Lindbergh accomplished the goal of crossing the Atlantic Ocean. It took him 33 hours. He was an instant hero and was given the Congressional Medal of Honor.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. Which statement best explains the success of Charles Lindbergh?
   a. Lindbergh grew up in a wealthy family.
   b. Lindbergh learned to fly planes at an early age.
   c. Lindbergh had the talent, support, and courage to fly across the ocean alone.
   d. Lindbergh was motivated to earn a lot of prize money.

2. Which paragraph mentions the medal that Lindbergh was awarded?
   a. first paragraph
   b. second paragraph
   c. third paragraph
   d. fourth paragraph

3. Which statement explains the reason behind the name "Spirit of St. Louis"?
   a. Lindbergh was given financial support from men in St. Louis.
   b. Lindbergh was originally from St. Louis.
   c. St. Louis was the name of his wife.
   d. St. Louis was the place where the contest was held.

4. What is the author's opinion of Charles Lindbergh?
   a. unbiased and disinterested
   b. impressed and appreciative
   c. apathetic and interested

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