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## Neil Armstrong biography

Neil Armstrong was a pilot, astronaut and engineer who was the first person to walk on the moon.



### Early life

Neil Armstrong was born in Ohio, USA on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 1930. As a child, he loved aeroplanes and took his first flight aged six. He began learning to fly an aeroplane at 15 and had earned his pilot's license by 16 - learning to fly a plane before he knew how to drive a car!

### Career

Neil Armstrong became a pilot for the U.S. Navy and flew jets during the Korean War. During one mission his 'plane was hit and he had to eject, escaping with his parachute, before being rescued.

After the war, Neil Armstrong worked as a test pilot, flying more than 200 different aircraft, including jets, helicopters, gliders and even rockets. It was dangerous but exciting work!



In September 1962, Neil Armstrong joined NASA, the American space agency, to become an astronaut. His first space flight was on Gemini 8 but his most famous mission was as commander of Apollo 11.



Apollo 11 left Earth on 16<sup>th</sup> July 1969, with a crew of three - Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins. Four days later it landed on the Moon. It was a tricky landing and the rocket nearly ran out of fuel but Neil Armstrong managed to land safely. He was the first person to leave the rocket and as he stepped onto the surface of the Moon he said, "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind".