MODULE 2 – LAIKA

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A2 English Worksheet: LAIKA – The First Dog in Space 🐕 🚀
Read the text carefully.

Laika



During the Space Race between the USA and the USSR, the Soviet Union launched the first living thing into space. It was a dog named Laika. The goal of the trip was to prove that space travel for humans was safe, but technology hadn't advanced enough to bring a crewed mission back yet. Laika was a street dog that became an astronaut because of her size and calmness. After some training, she was ready to go into space. Her ship, called Sputnik 2, was launched on November 3, 1957. Laika was supposed to orbit the planet for some days, and the first reports from Russian space programs said so. However, in 1993, some Russian space program scientists revealed that Laika died soon after leaving the planet's atmosphere because of stress and overheating. Many people in the world were in great sorrow because of her death. Since then, her story has spread around the world and has inspired many tales, songs, and poems. Some of them say that Laika became a star in the sky.

True or False? 🔎
Instructions: Read the sentences carefully. Write **T** (True) or **F** (False).

1. _____ The Space Race was between the USA and the USSR.

2. _____ Laika was the first human to travel into space.

3. _____ Laika was a street dog.

4. _____ Laika's spaceship was called Sputnik 2.

5. _____ Sputnik 2 was launched on November 3, 1957.

6. _____ Laika returned safely to Earth after her journey.

7. _____ Laika died because of stress and overheating.

8. _____ Laika's story inspired songs, poems, and tales.

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