



Read the article about Neil Armstrong.

Match the paragraphs (A-H) with their headings (1-9).

One heading does not match.

1. BACK WITH A SPLASH OF GLORY
2. THE GREAT TOUCHDOWN
3. CROSSING INTO SPACE TRAVEL
4. DISCOVERING AIR TRAVEL
5. A POPULAR MAN
6. LIFE AFTER SPACE
7. A PROBLEM IN SPACE
8. SUCCESSFUL IN BATTLE
9. TESTING THE AIR

American astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first man to step on the moon.

Here is the story behind this great man.

A. While most teenagers were trying to pass their driving test and receive their driving licence, Neil Armstrong earned his pilot's licence at sixteen. Armstrong took an interest in aviation from a young age and worked at the local airport in his hometown of Wapakoneta, Ohio.

B. Armstrong decided to study Aeronautical Engineering at university. He stopped his studies because of the Korean War in 1950 and became a navy pilot at the age of 20. Armstrong flew 78 combat flights during the war and received three medals.

C. Shortly after completing his degree, Armstrong joined a government agency which later became the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA). At NASA he worked as a test pilot and engineer. He tested over 50 types of aircraft and reached top speeds of 6,600 kmph.

D. In 1962, Armstrong entered the astronaut programme at NASA. He was the pilot on his first mission into space aboard the Gemini VIII in 1966. As part of the Apollo space programme, NASA chose Armstrong to lead its first manned mission to the moon on Apollo 11.

E. On 20th July, 1969, Apollo 11 landed on the surface of the moon. Armstrong made his way down the ladder of the spacecraft. When his foot touched the surface, he spoke the now famous words: "That's one small step for (a) man, one giant leap for mankind." Minutes later his co-pilot joined him and they planted the American flag on the moon's surface.

F. Four days later, Apollo 11 returned to Earth. The craft came down in the Pacific Ocean. Armstrong received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, a very prestigious award.

G. Armstrong never returned to space. He worked for a short while at NASA and then he went on to teach Aerospace Engineering. He also became an adviser to the government on various space issues.

H. Although Armstrong tried to live a quiet and private life, he was always in high demand. He continuously turned down interviews years ago, he stopped signing autographs as people were selling them for thousands of dollars. Neil Armstrong died on 25 August, 2012. What he achieved, happened decades ago, but his greatness still lives on.



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