## Primary Science: Astronauts



An astronaut is a person who goes into outer space. It is not an easy job as astronauts need to go under intense training for years to become one! Astronauts need to be physically fit while also maintaining great health.

The first ever person to go into space was a Russian man named Yuri Gagarin in 1961. The first and second people to walk on the moon were Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin from America in 1969.



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Astronauts have special gear that they use for their space explorations. It is called a spacesuit. They must always wear the spacesuit when they leave their spacecraft, as space does not contain any oxygen

which we need to breathe and live! The spacesuits provide the astronauts with air and are tethered to the spacecraft, so that the astronaut doesn't float away from the spacecraft!

Astronauts perform many tasks when in space. In the space station they perform world-class science and research that only a microgravity environment can provide. Most of the time astronauts spend their days working on science experiments.



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Answer the questions.

What is an astronaut?

Who was the first astronaut?

What do astronauts need to be to have the job?



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What an astronaut's special gear?

What happens if they take it off?

What do astronauts do in space?

