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Text A: 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, U.S.A. on the 5th August 1930. 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 during the Korean War. During one mission his plane was hit and he had to eject. He was safely rescued.

After the war, Neil Armstrong worked as a test pilot. It was dangerous but exciting work! In September 1962, Neil Armstrong became 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 16th July 1969, with a crew of three - Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins. Four days later it landed safely on the Moon. Neil Armstrong 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". Buzz Aldrin also joined Neil Armstrong on the Moon and they took photographs and collected rocks and other samples.

Apollo 11 returned safely to Earth on 24th July 1969.

Neil Armstrong later became a professor at the University of Cincinnati.

He died on 25th August 2012 and is remembered all over the world for one of the most remarkable achievements in human history.



Fun facts:

- Neil Armstrong was a Boy Scout and took a scouting badge to the moon with him.
- The moon landing was watched by 600 million people, all over the world.
- There is no wind to disturb the moon's surface, so Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's footprints are still there!

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Text B: 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 America in 1930. He always loved aeroplanes and took his first flight aged six.

Career

Neil Armstrong was a test pilot and flew lots of different aircraft. In September 1962, he became an astronaut. His most famous mission was as commander of Apollo 11.



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Neil Armstrong comprehension questions - text A

Learning objectives:

- I can retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction.
- I understand what I read independently by drawing inferences and justifying inferences with evidence

Read the text and answer the questions below.

1. How did Neil Armstrong feel about flying? Explain how you know?

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2. What does the word 'eject' mean?

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3. When did Neil Armstrong become an astronaut?

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4. What does 'commander' mean?

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5. When did Neil Armstrong land on the Moon? Explain how you know.

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6. Which Apollo 11 astronaut did not walk on the Moon?

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7. What did Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin do on the Moon?

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8. Why are their footprints still on the Moon?

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9. Which sections would these sentences be in?

Neil Armstrong had the nickname “Mr Cool”!

Neil Armstrong was the oldest of three children and had one brother and one sister.

Neil Armstrong flew over 200 different aircraft when he was a test pilot.

Comprehension answers

1. How did Neil Armstrong feel about flying? Explain how you know?

He loved to fly because he earned his pilot’s license at 16, before he learnt to drive.

2. What does the word ‘eject’ mean?

To throw something or someone out, suddenly.

3. When did Neil Armstrong become an astronaut?

September 1962

4. What does ‘commander’ mean?

A leader, or the person in charge.

5. When did Neil Armstrong land on the Moon? Explain how you know.

20th July 1969 - launched on 16th July and landed “four days later”.

6. Which Apollo 11 astronaut did not walk on the Moon?

Michael Collins

7. What did Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin do on the Moon?

They took photographs, collected rocks and other samples.

8. Why are there footprints still on the Moon?

There is no wind to disturb them.

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Neil Armstrong comprehension questions - text B

Learning objectives:

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Read the text and answer the questions below.

1. Why is Neil Armstrong famous?

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2. How old was he when took his first flight?

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3. What does the word 'commander' mean?

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4. How many astronauts stood on the Moon?

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5. Were the astronauts hurt? How do you know?

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6. How many people watched the Moon landing?

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7. Which sections would these sentences be in?

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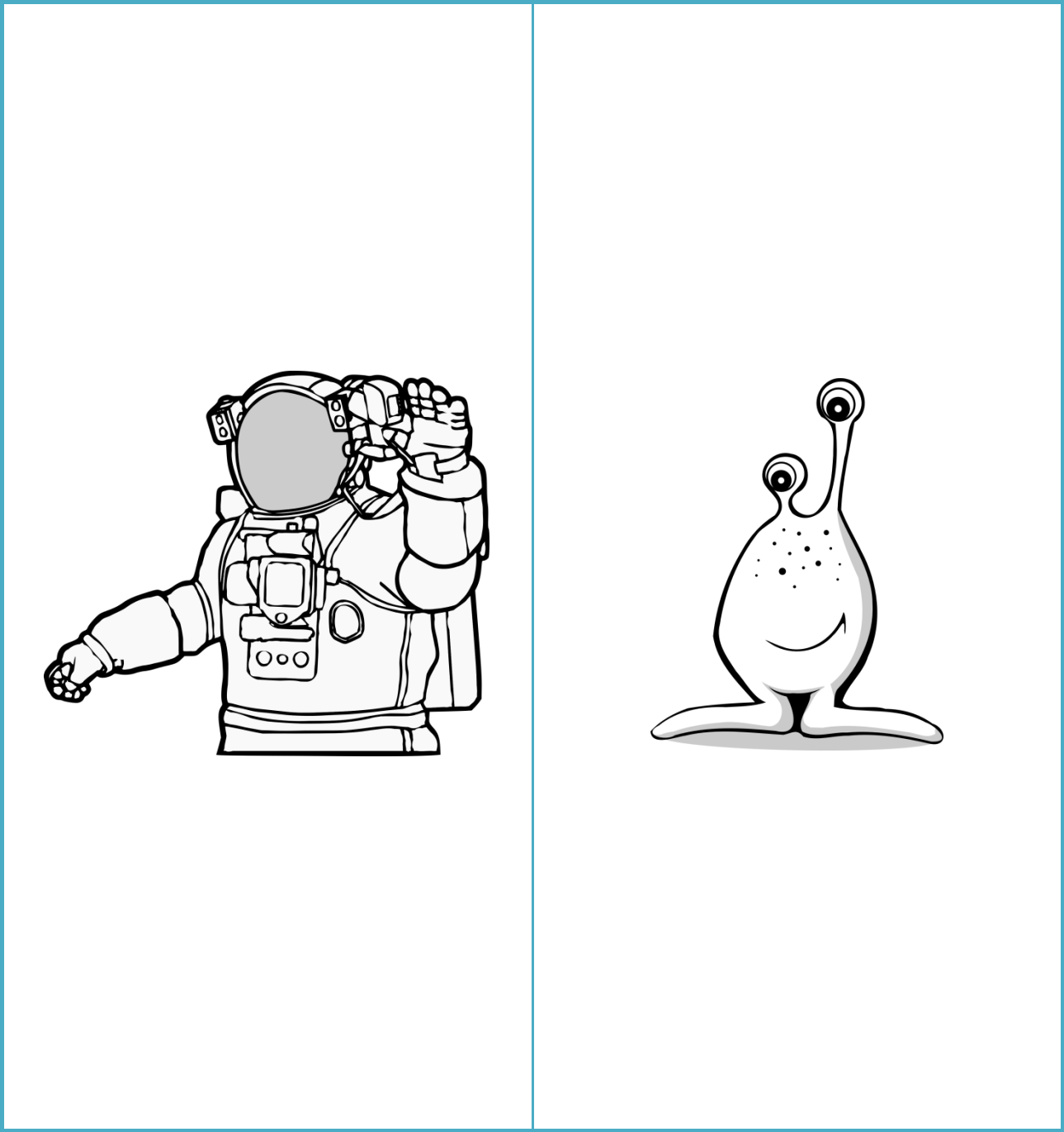
1. Why is Neil Armstrong famous?
He was the first person to walk on the Moon?
2. How old was he when he took his first flight?
Six years old.
3. What does the word 'commander' mean?
A leader, or the person in charge.
4. How many astronauts stood on the Moon?
Two
5. Which Were the astronauts hurt? How do you know?
No - "Apollo 11 returned safely to Earth".
6. How many people watched the Moon landing?
600 million
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Neil Armstrong: Phonics activity phases 2-3

Cut out the words below. Give the real words to the astronaut and the nonsense words to the alien.



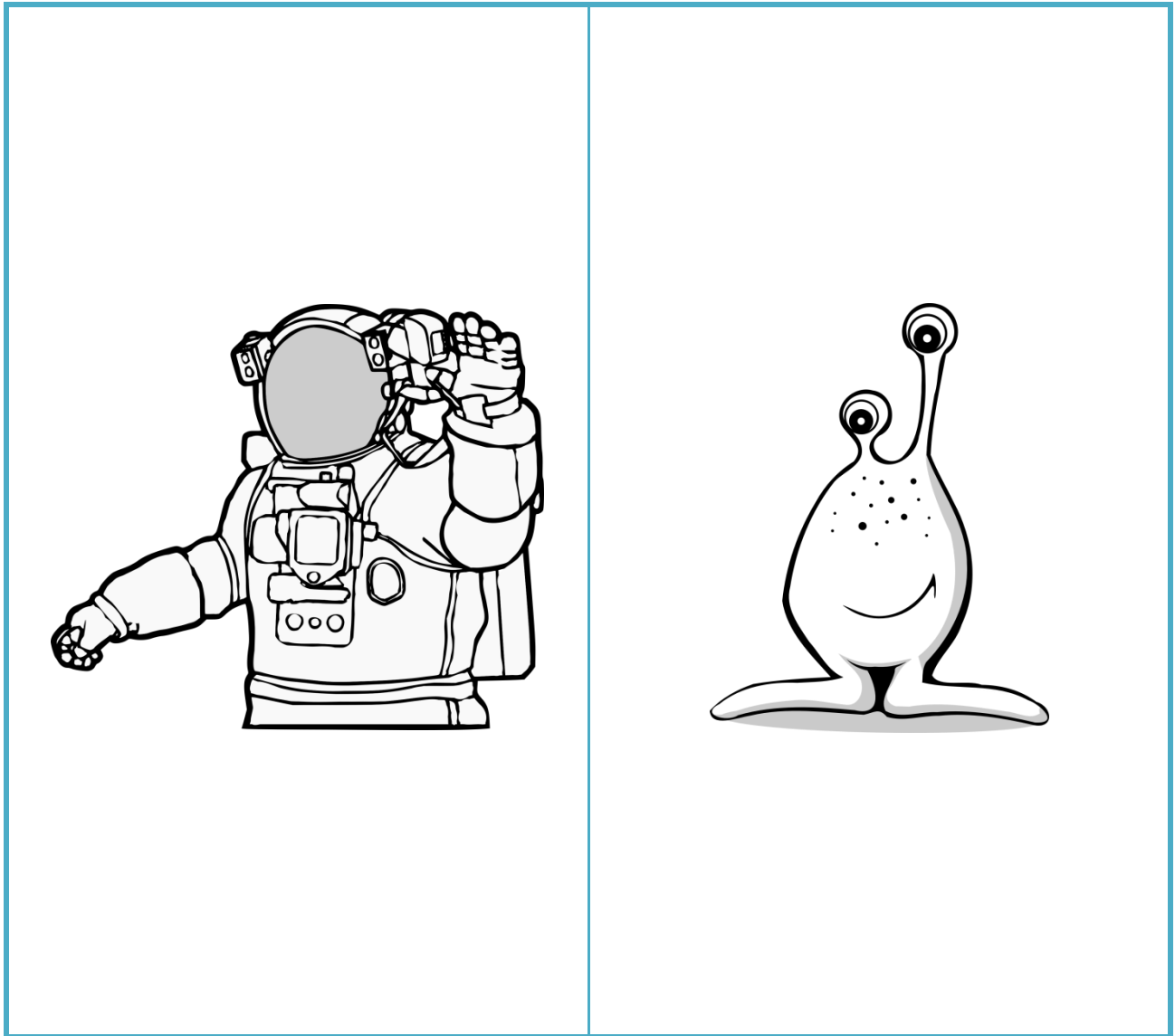
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Neil Armstrong: Phonics activity phases 2-5

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chair	jow	pligh	stop	woi
mountain	treat	tuve	amaze	franday