

# A Visit to the Moon

## Level 1 ■

Words to Know list, Reading Selection, and Reading Comprehension questions

**Fly to the Moon**

People who go to space are called astronauts. Neil Armstrong was a very important astronaut. He was the first person to walk on the moon. Three astronauts flew to the moon in 1969. They were Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, and Michael Collins.

Collins stayed in a part of the spaceship that was going around the moon. Armstrong and Aldrin rode in a different part called the Eagle. The Eagle landed on the moon, and then Armstrong stepped out. He left the first footprint on the moon.

Armstrong and Aldrin studied the moon. They took rocks and soil. They put up the flag of the United States. Then all three men went back home. They helped everyone learn more about the moon.

**Words to Know**

- space
- astronauts
- moon
- spaceship
- Eagle
- footprint
- studied
- flag

**Astronauts on the Moon**

Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin took the first steps on the moon.

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## Level 2 ■ ■

Words to Know list, Reading Selection, and Reading Comprehension questions

**Walk on the Moon**

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Armstrong and Aldrin landed on the moon in a part of their spaceship called the Eagle. Collins stayed in a different part of the spaceship that kept going around the moon. When they were safely on the moon, Armstrong said, "The Eagle has landed." He got out of the Eagle and stepped onto the ground.

Armstrong and Aldrin studied the area around them. They took soil and rocks to bring back home. They put the United States flag there. The three men went back to Earth. They became American heroes.

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**Armstrong, Aldrin, and Collins**

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## Level 3 ■ ■ ■

Words to Know list, Reading Selection, and Reading Comprehension questions

**One Small Step**

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Armstrong and Aldrin took rocks and soil from the moon. They studied the area and put the flag of the United States there. All three astronauts went home safely. This was an exciting moment in American history.

**Armstrong, Aldrin, and Collins**

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## Assemble the Unit

Reproduce and distribute one copy for each student:

- Visual Literacy page: Neil Armstrong Timeline, page 11
- Level 1, 2, or 3 Reading Selection and Reading Comprehension page and the corresponding Words to Know list
- Graphic Organizer of your choosing, provided on pages 180–186
- Writing Form: A Visit to the Moon, page 12

## Introduce the Topic

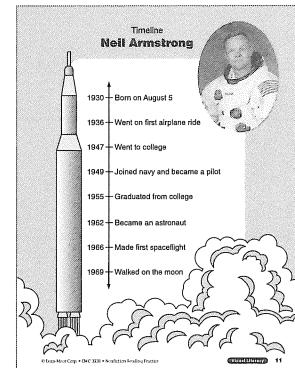
Read aloud and discuss the Neil Armstrong Timeline. Explain that Armstrong was the first person to walk on the moon. Tell students that 12 men from the United States walked on the moon during the years 1969 to 1972.

## Read and Respond

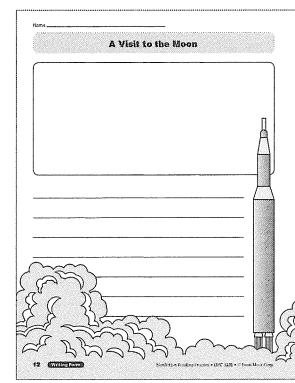
Form leveled groups and review the Words to Know lists with each group of students. Instruct each group to read their selection individually, in pairs, or as a group. Have students complete the Reading Comprehension page for their selection.

## Write About the Topic

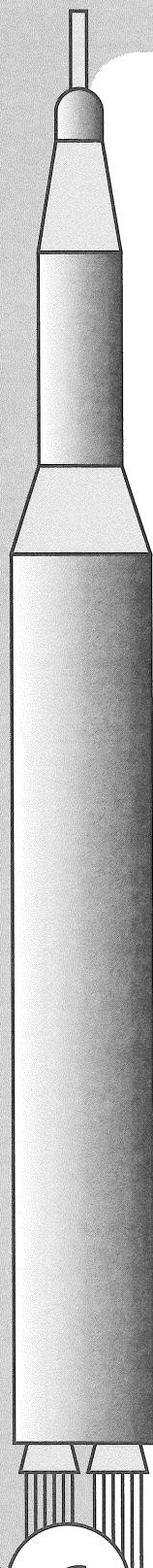
Read aloud the leveled writing prompt for each group. Tell students to use the Graphic Organizer to plan their writing. Direct students to use their Writing Form to respond to their prompt.



Visual Literacy



# Timeline Neil Armstrong

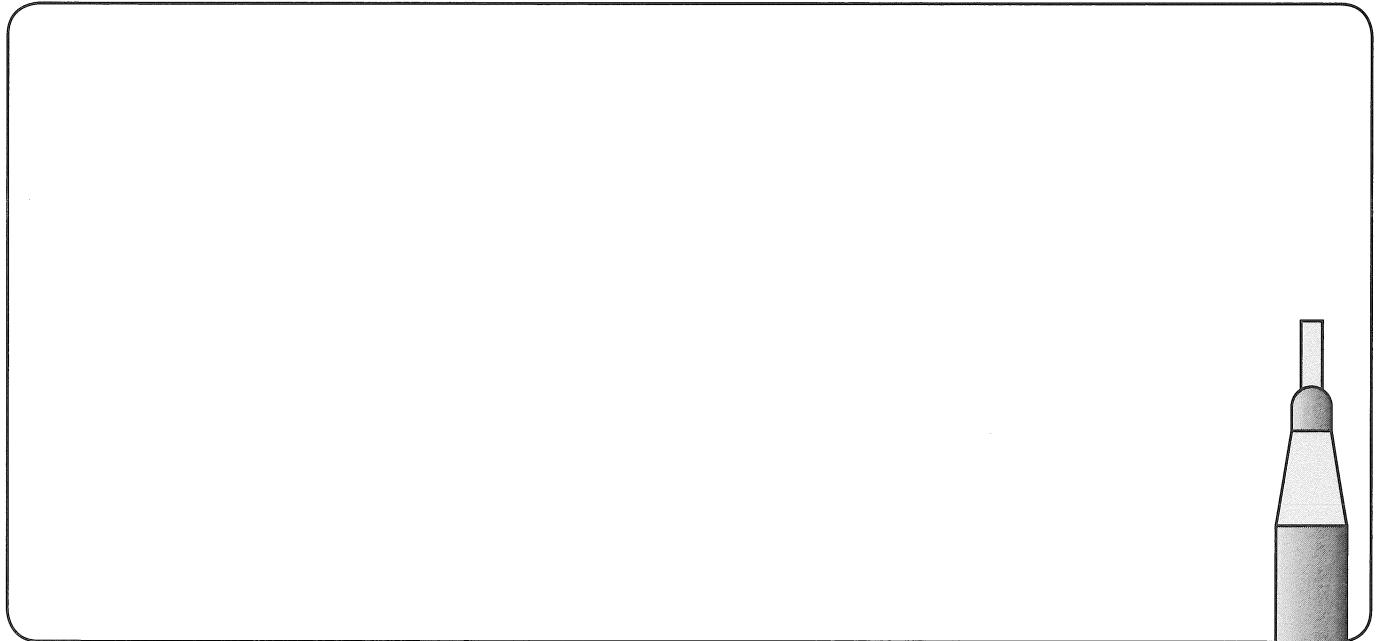


- 1930 — Born on August 5
- 1936 — Went on first airplane ride
- 1947 — Went to college
- 1949 — Joined navy and became a pilot
- 1955 — Graduated from college
- 1962 — Became an astronaut
- 1966 — Made first spaceflight
- 1969 — Walked on the moon



Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**Words to Know****Walk on the Moon**

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**Words to Know****One Small Step**

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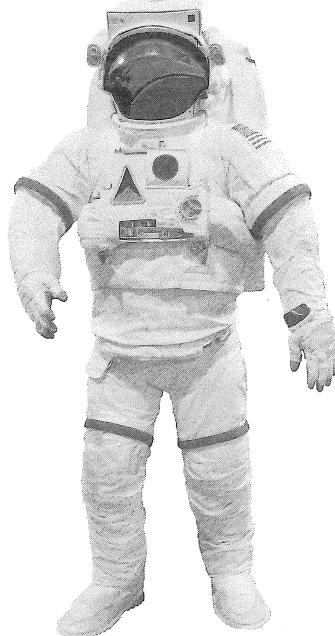
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history



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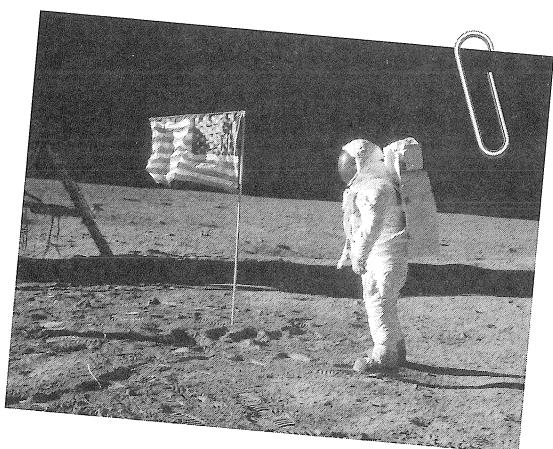
astronaut



footprint on the moon

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Buzz Aldrin and the American flag on the moon

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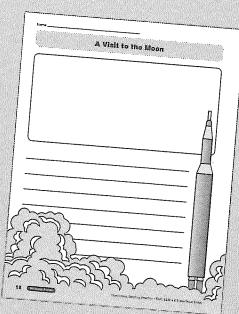
Fill in the circle by the correct answer. Then answer the questions.

1. Neil Armstrong was the first person to \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ⓐ go around the moon  
Ⓑ fly in a spaceship  
Ⓒ walk on the moon
  
2. The three astronauts went to the moon in \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ⓐ 1969  
Ⓑ 1968  
Ⓒ 1967
  
3. How did the astronauts help people learn more about the moon?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
4. What was the main idea of the text?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Write About the Topic

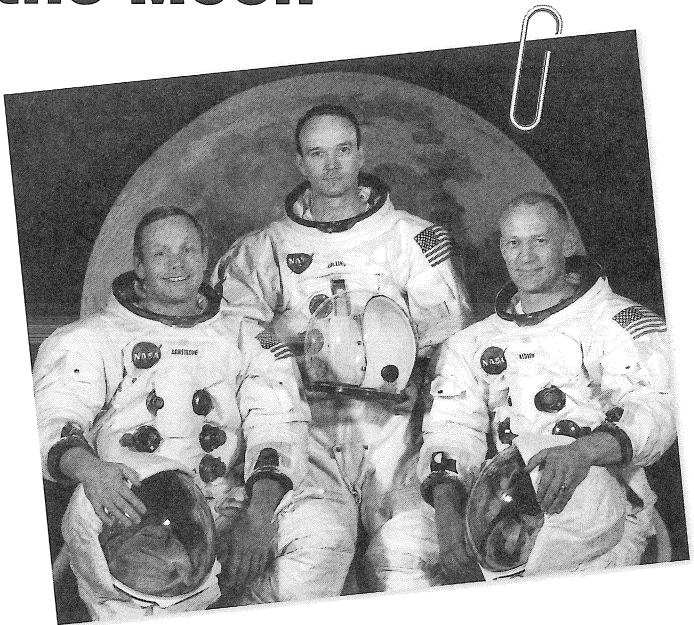
Use the Writing Form to draw and write about what you read.

Draw Neil Armstrong on the moon.  
Write about one thing he did there.



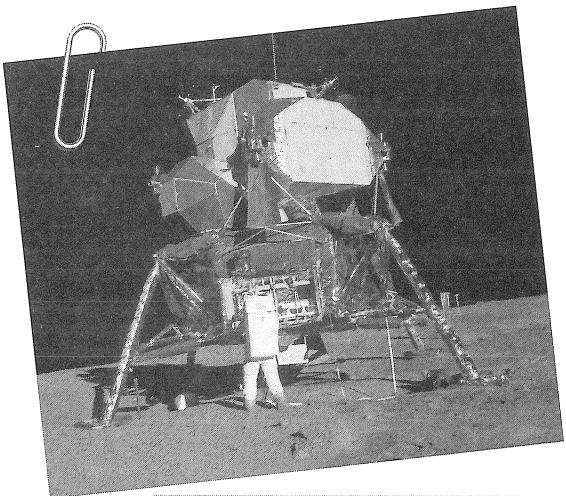
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Module Eagle on the moon

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## Walk on the Moon

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1. Astronauts are people who \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ⓐ study space on Earth  
Ⓑ go to space  
Ⓒ study soil and rocks

2. \_\_\_\_\_ said, "The Eagle has landed."  
Ⓐ Neil Armstrong  
Ⓑ Buzz Aldrin  
Ⓒ Michael Collins

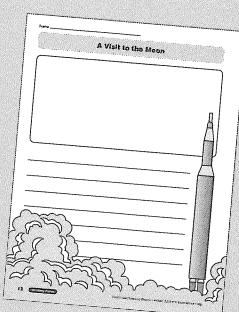
3. What can you learn about astronauts from the photos?  
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4. What did Armstrong and Aldrin do on the moon?  
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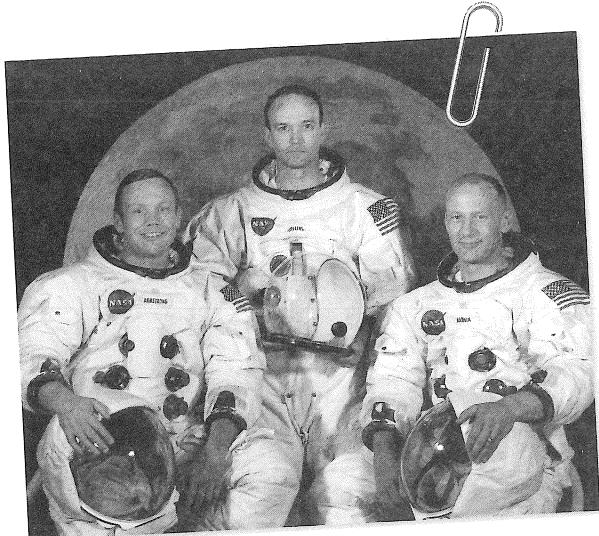
Draw one of the three astronauts. Write about what that person did in space.



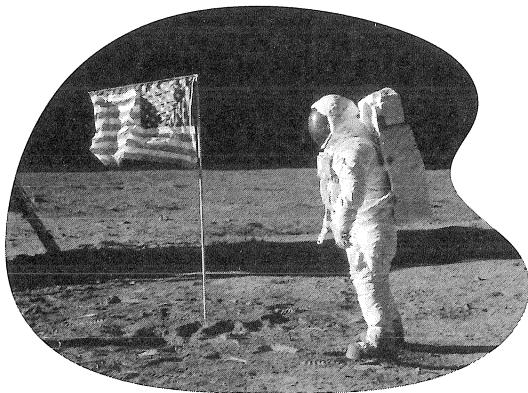
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