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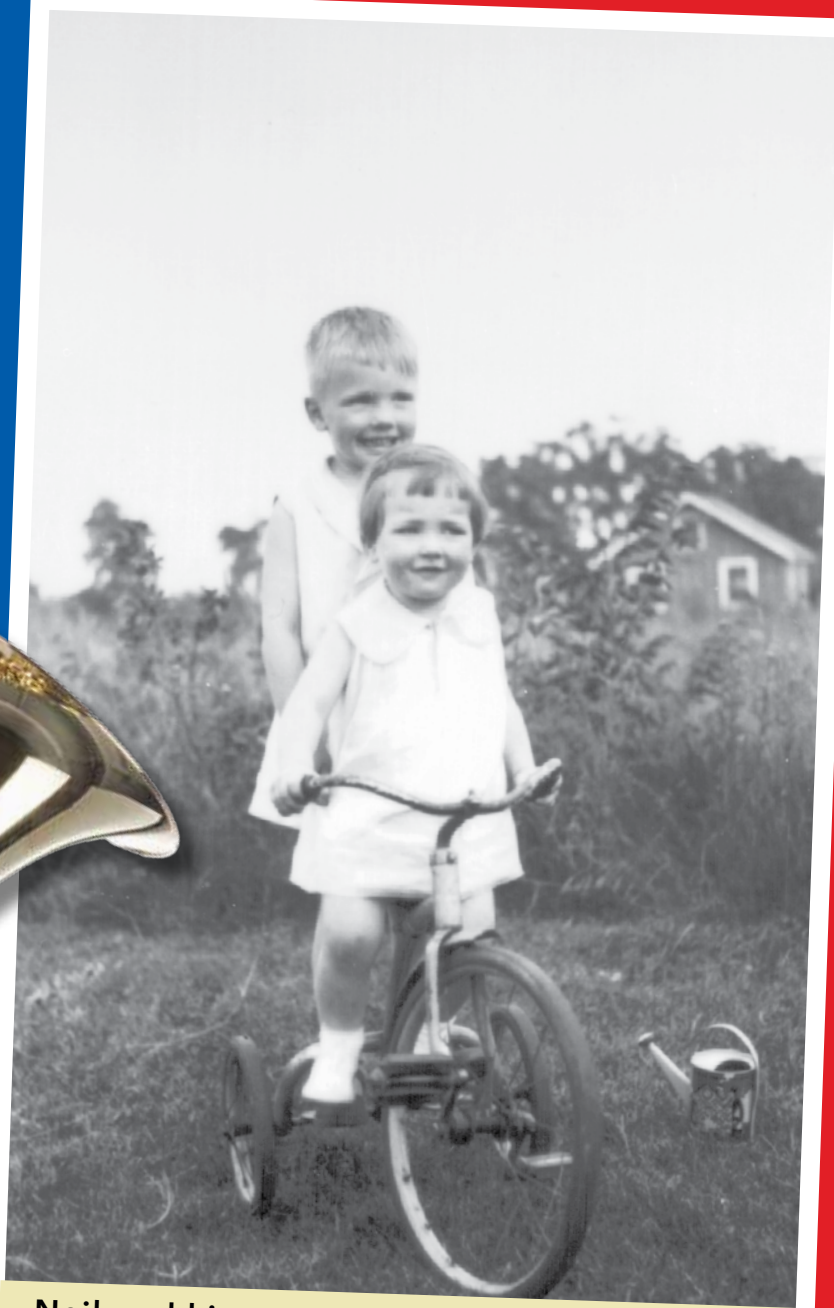
Young Neil

Neil Armstrong was born on August 5, 1930. His family lived in Ohio. They moved often. The family lived in 20 towns when Neil was a boy!



Young Neil in his band uniform





Neil and his younger sister riding a tricycle

Neil always liked to try new things.
He was **adventurous** (ad-VEN-cher-uhs).
He joined a club called the Boy Scouts.
The Boy Scouts practiced **survival** skills.

Fun Fact

Boy Scouts learn how to make camp fires, put up tents, and tie knots.



A boy scout from 1940

SENIORS

KATHRYN ANN KAH

"She has a wonderful gift of making friends."

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4, President 4; Green Triangle 1; Red Rectangle 2; Y-Teens 3, 4; Green Triangle Club 4; Girls' Athletic Association 1, 2, 3, 4; Boosters Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Economics Club 3; Vice-President 3; Home Room Vice-President 3.

NEIL A. ARMSTRONG

"He thinks, he acts, 'tis done."

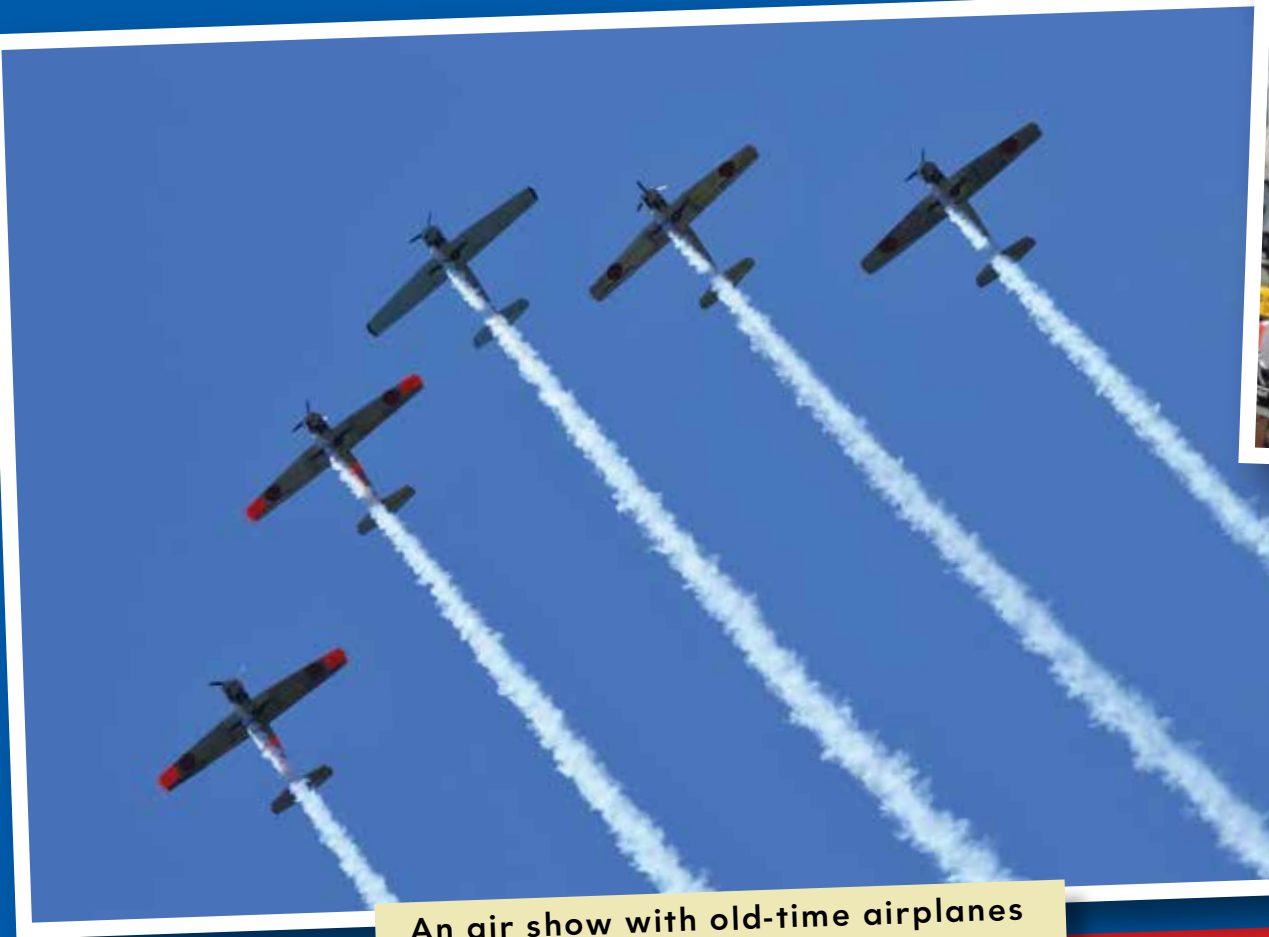
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NEIL ARMSTRONG

Bill Lutz Shirley Ann Young

Neil's photo in his high school yearbook

Neil went to air shows with his father.
He rode in his first plane when he was
six. He loved it! He knew then that he
wanted to be a **pilot**.



An air show with old-time airplanes



The cockpit inside a military airplane

Fun Fact

Neil got his pilot's license when he was just 16!

Neil grew up, but he still wanted to try new things. He joined the navy. With the navy, Neil got to see the world. He also got to fly airplanes.

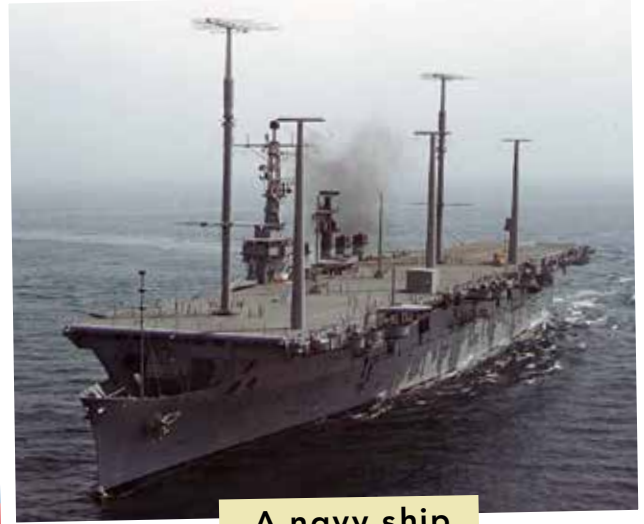


A world map showing some of the places Neil visited

Neil



Neil on a navy ship



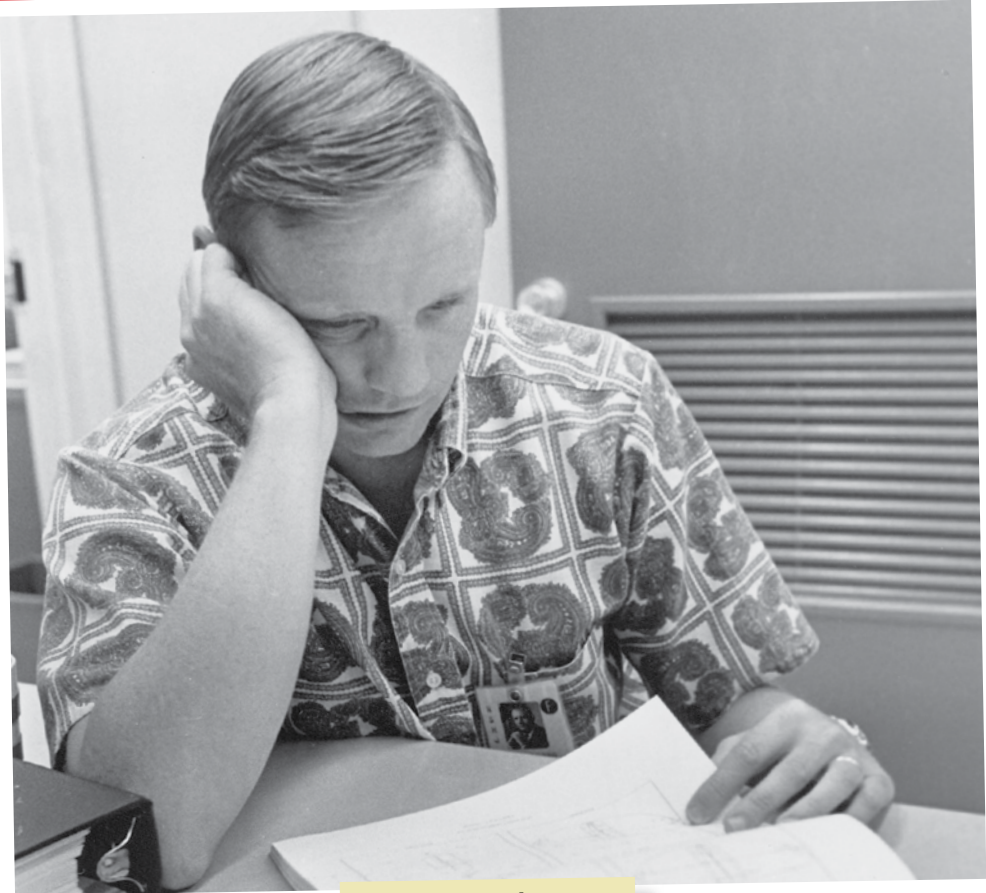
A navy ship



Military airplanes parked on a navy ship

Neil and Space Flight

Neil wanted to learn more. The navy sent him to college. He took special classes to learn about flying in space.



Neil studying



Neil went to Purdue University.

Neil wanted to use the new things he learned in college. He went to work at **NASA**. NASA is America's space program. He helped **design** and fix planes and **rockets**. He became an **astronaut**.



Neil and a team of astronauts

Fun Fact

Astronauts become a little taller in space! Since there is less gravity, their bones are less squashed together.



Neil in his space uniform



Neil and other astronauts going to the space craft

As an astronaut, Neil flew into space. People thought flying in space was dangerous. Not Neil. He loved going to new places! Next, he wanted to go to the moon.



Neil and the crew waiting to be picked up by a navy ship

Fun Fact

Neil flew into space many times before flying to the moon.

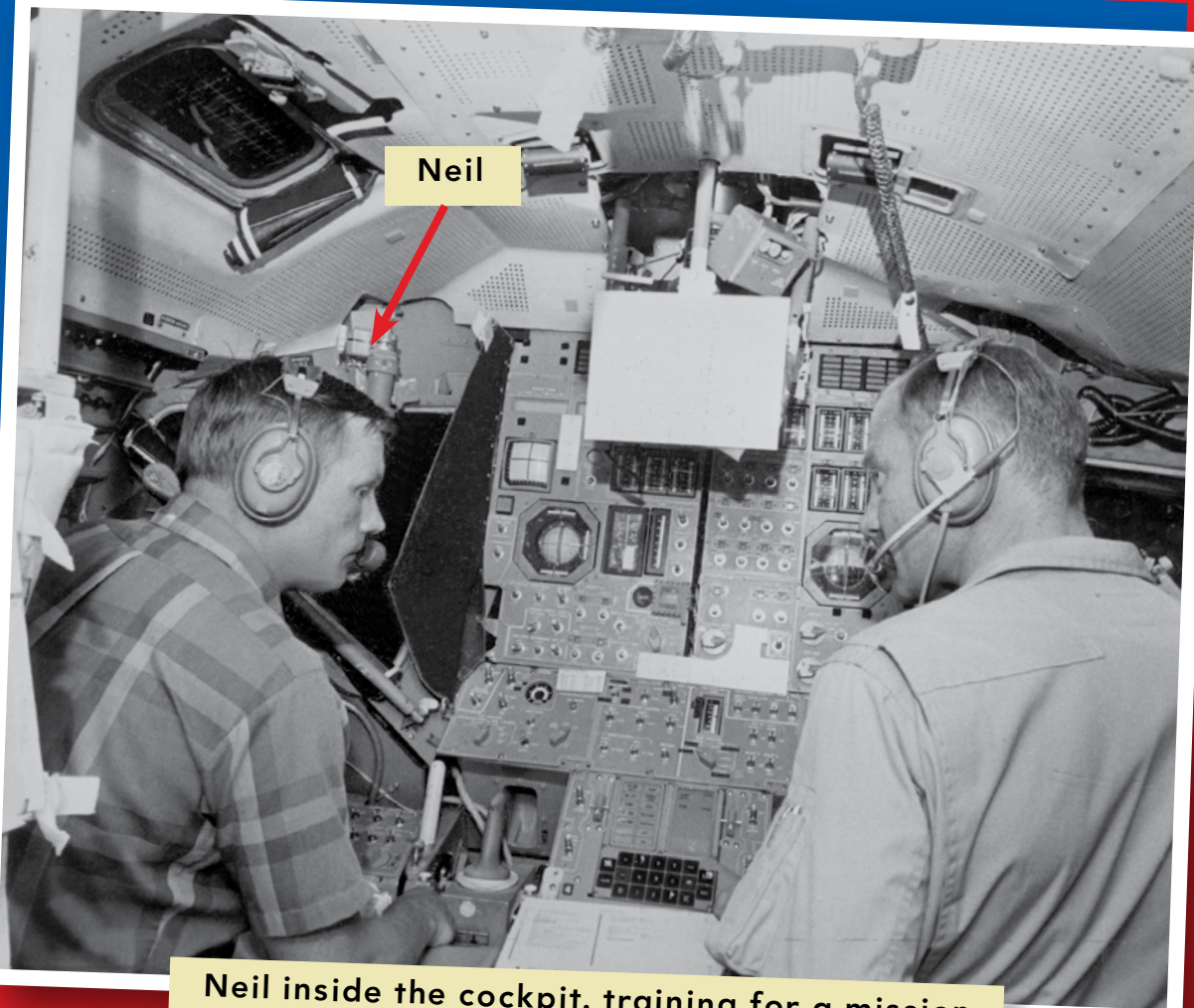


Neil and two other men were inside this space craft.

NASA had a new mission called Apollo 11. A rocket would take three men to the moon. They would be the first people to touch the moon. Neil was going!



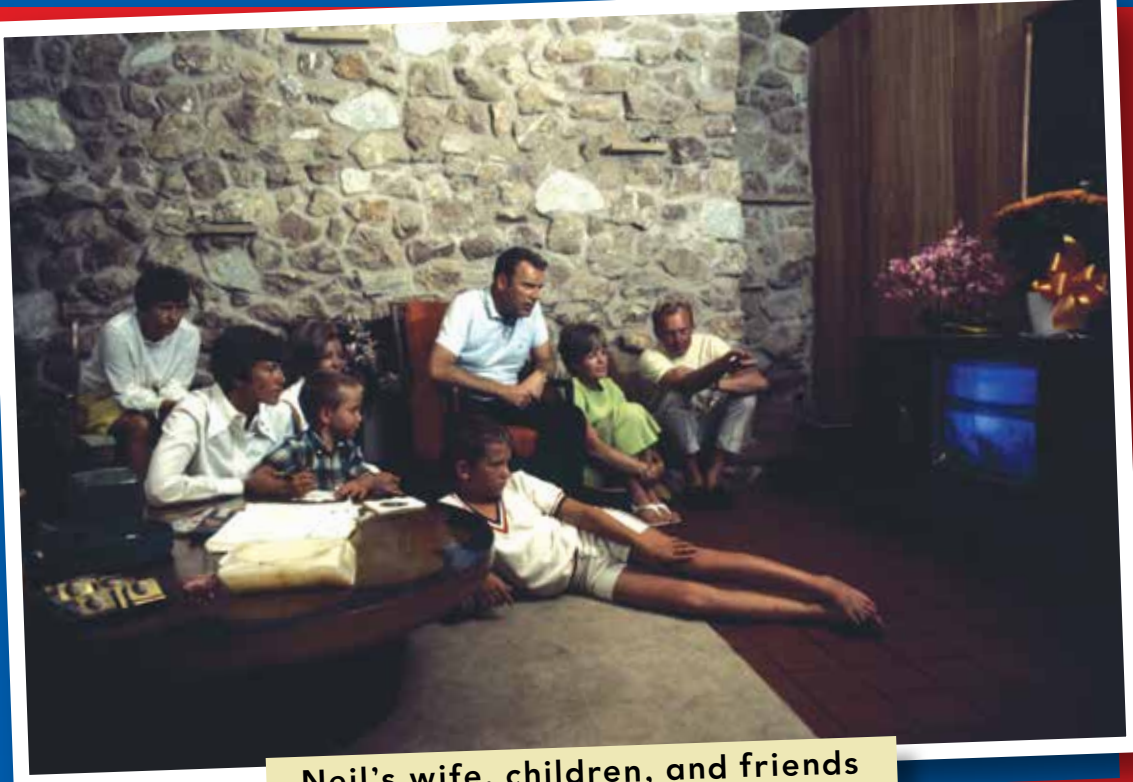
Neil and the other astronauts from the Apollo 11 mission



Neil inside the cockpit, training for a mission

Neil on the Moon

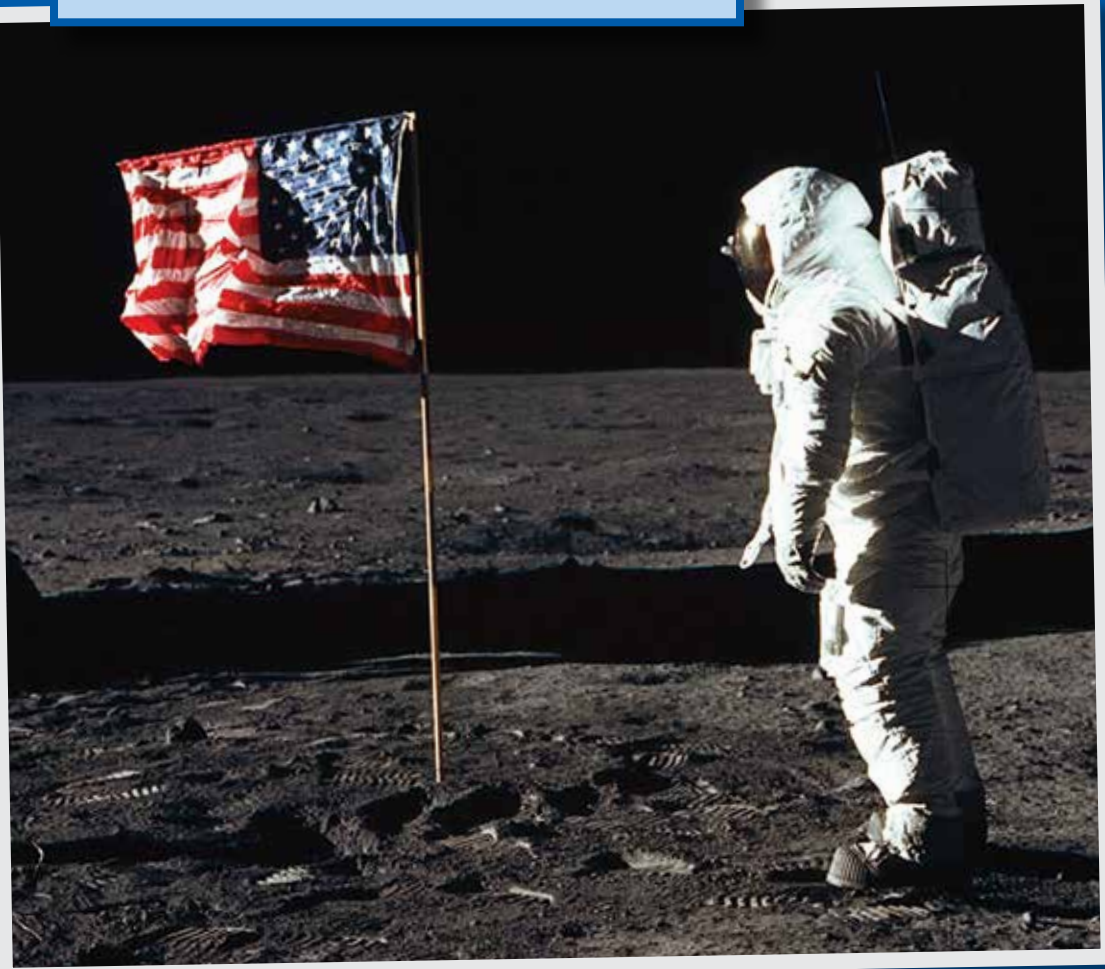
On July 20, 1969, the rocket landed. Neil opened the door. He stepped down. Neil was walking on the moon! He was doing something no person had ever done.



Neil's wife, children, and friends watch as he lands on the moon.

Fun Fact

On the moon, Neil said,
"That's one small step
for man, one giant
leap for mankind."



Neil was the first person to walk on the moon. When he got back, people wanted to know about the moon. Neil went to Russia to talk about his trip.



Neil's footprint on the moon

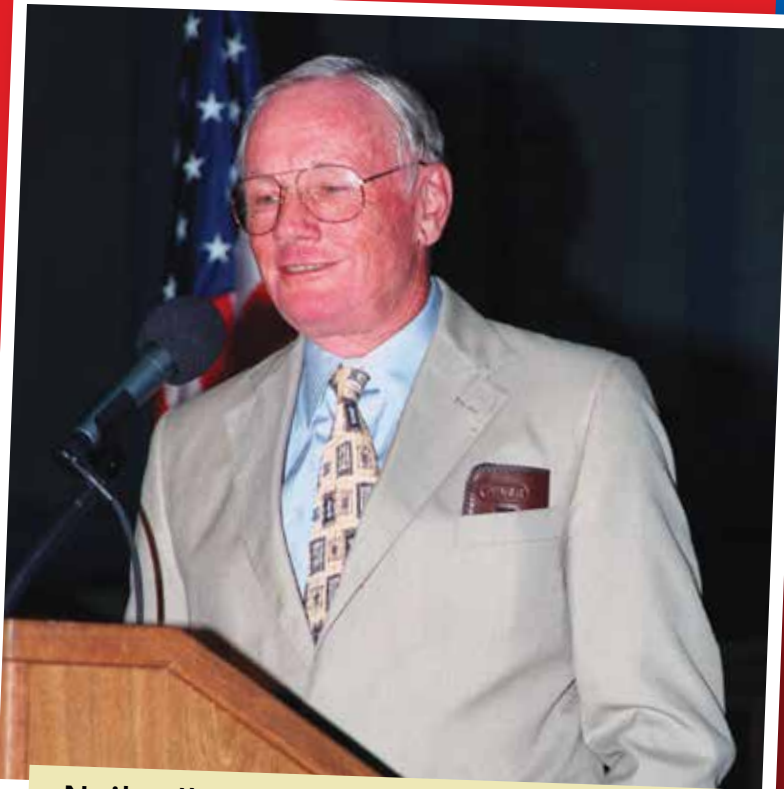
Monday July 21 1969
1969: Man makes his first sp
**On the moon
after perfect
touchdown**



Neil getting an award in Russia

Neil Talks About Space

Neil said his moon mission was his last. He wanted other astronauts to go to space, too. He went around the world telling people about his work.



Neil talking about his space missions



Neil with President Barack Obama

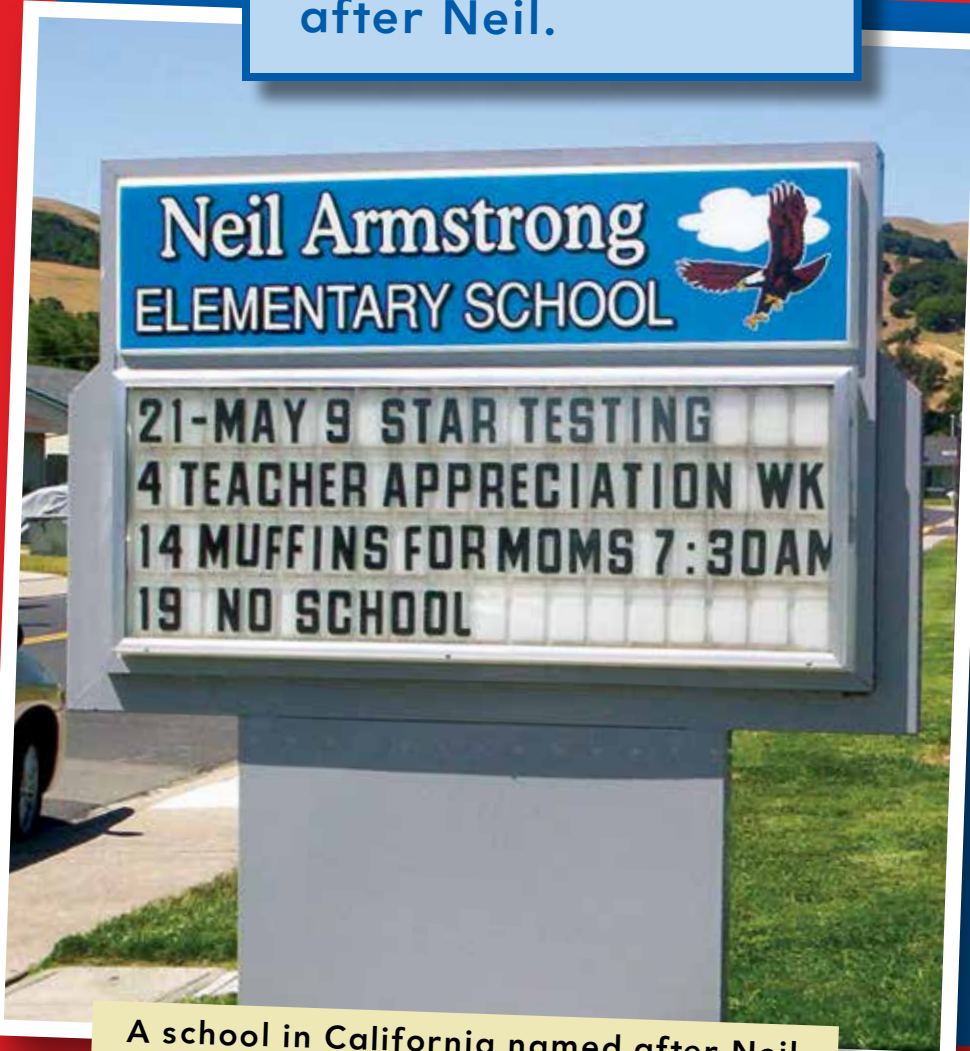
Neil won many awards for his work as an astronaut. Later, he became a college teacher. He wanted to help young people learn new things.



Neil Armstrong

Fun Fact

There are more than 12 schools named after Neil.



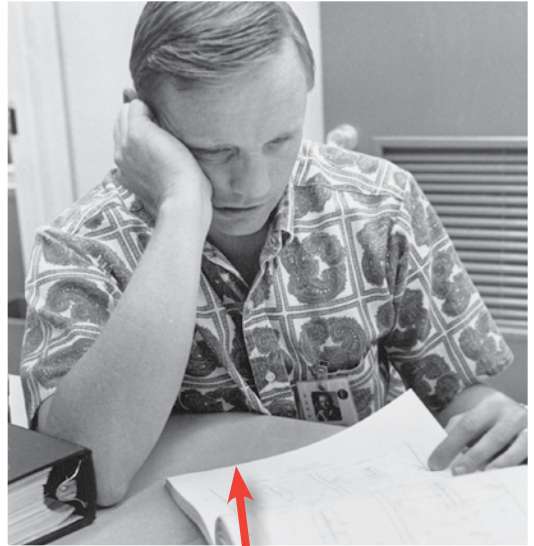
A school in California named after Neil

Time



1930

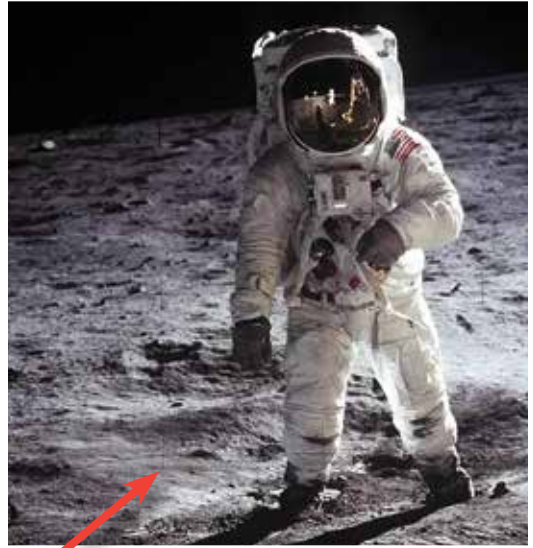
Neil Armstrong
is born in Ohio.



1955

Neil graduates
from Purdue
University.

Line



1962

Neil joins
NASA.

1969

Neil walks on
the moon.

1971

Neil becomes
a college
teacher.

Glossary

adventurous—willing to try new things

astronaut—someone who travels in space

design—to draw or plan something that is going to be made or built

gravity—the force that makes things fall to the ground

mission—a trip in a space vehicle or military plane

NASA—the space program of the United States

navy—a branch of the military that pilots, ships, and sailors belong to

pilot—someone who flies an aircraft

rocket—a long, tall vehicle that travels into space

survival—continuing to live after something dangerous happens

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Americans Today

Doug Stoup is a mountain climber. But he wanted to climb somewhere no other person had. He went to Antarctica in 2001. Many people think it is too dangerous there. Doug climbed the mountains all the way across Antarctica! No American had ever done that. But he wanted to explore somewhere new, just as Neil did.



Neil Armstrong

Man on the Moon

Join the navy. Travel around the world. Work at NASA. These are just a few of the amazing things that Neil Armstrong has done. But what is his most famous adventure? Find out as you read this book about Neil's exciting life!



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