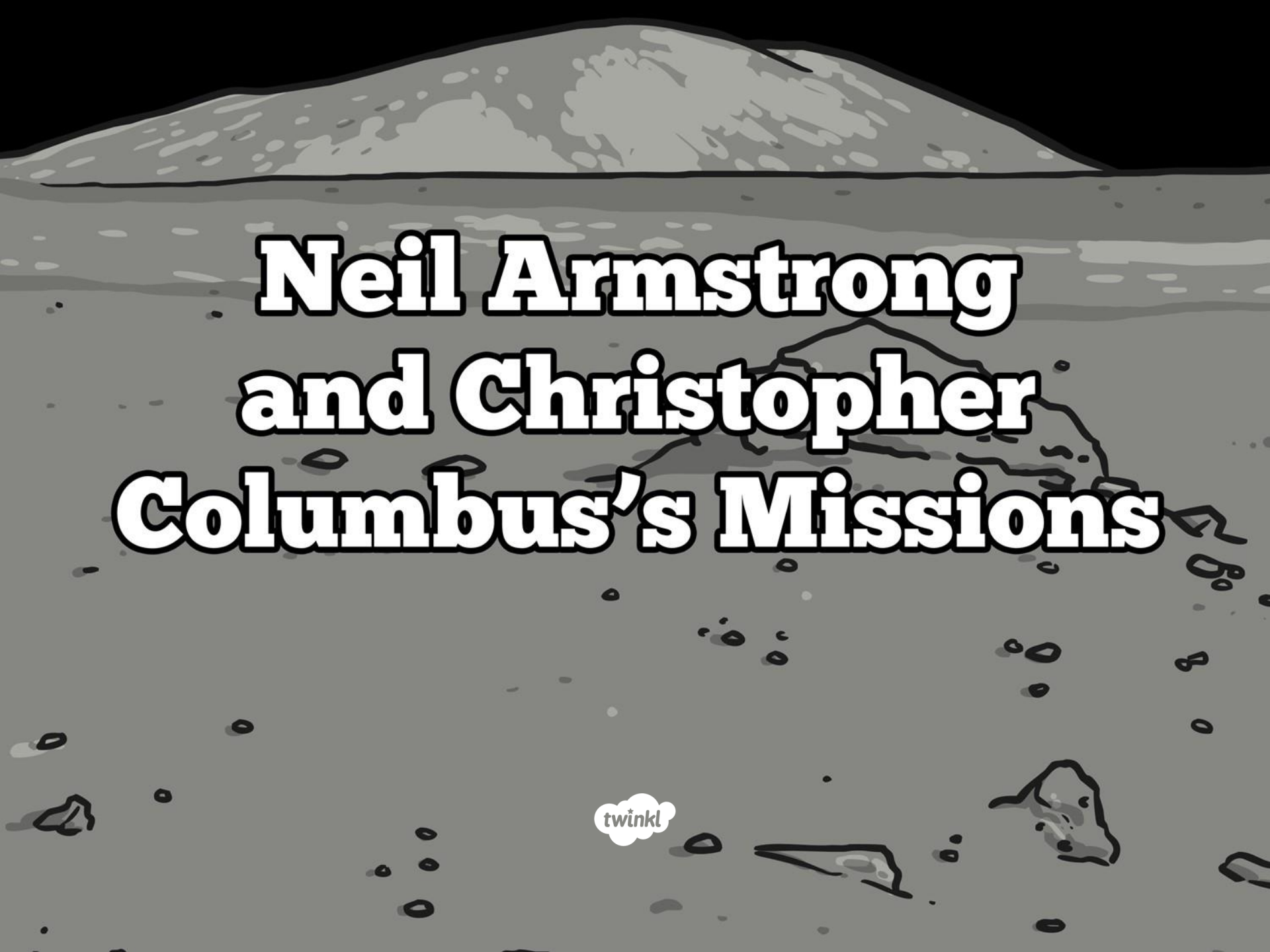




History

Great Explorers



Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus's Missions

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- I can recall some key facts about Neil Armstrong's mission to the moon.

What differences can you see?



What do you notice that is different about Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong? What is similar?



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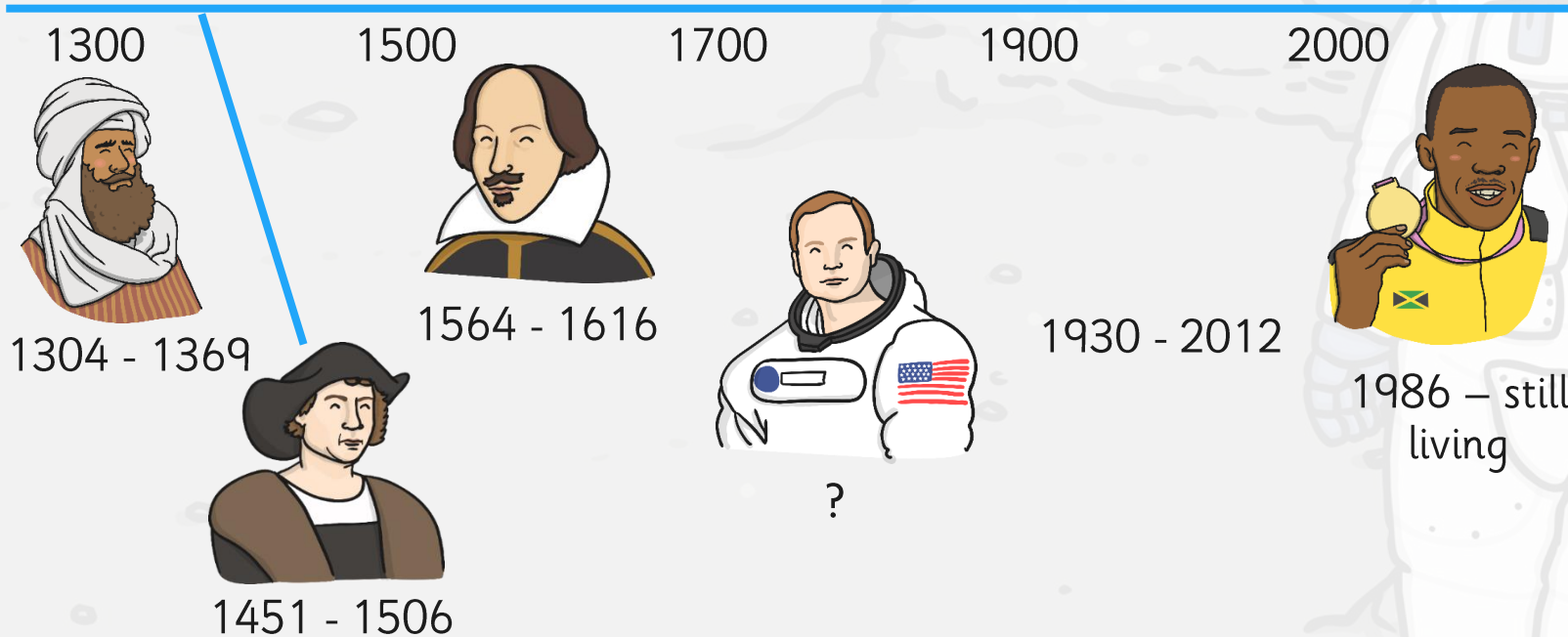
When did Neil Armstrong live?



Can you remember where Neil Armstrong fits on the timeline?

The Tudors
(1485 – 1603)

The Victorians
(1837 – 1901)



When did Neil Armstrong live?



Neil Armstrong was born in America in 1930. He was an American astronaut and the first man to walk on the Moon. He died aged 82 in 2012.



What did Neil Armstrong do?



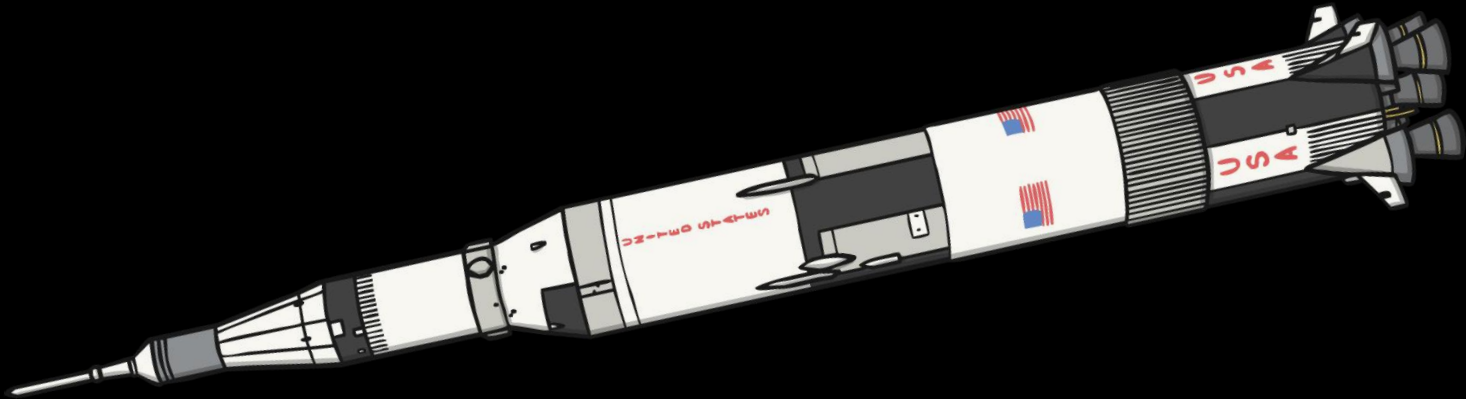
- When Neil Armstrong was 15 years old, he got his first pilots licence.
- After attending university he became a test pilot and flew over 200 different aircrafts in his career.
- He was accepted to be part of the NASA Astronaut Corps in September 1962. His first trip into space was aboard Gemini 8.



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What did Neil Armstrong do?

Whole Class



In 1969, he went aboard Apollo 11 and became the first man to walk on the moon. They launched from Kennedy Space Centre on July 16th 1969. The moon landing was shown all across the world on television. It is estimated that 600 million people watched. We can watch a clip of it happening [here](#).

Armstrong collected moon rocks from the surface and brought it back to Earth to be studied.

Armstrong's Famous Words



One small step for
man... one giant
leap for mankind.

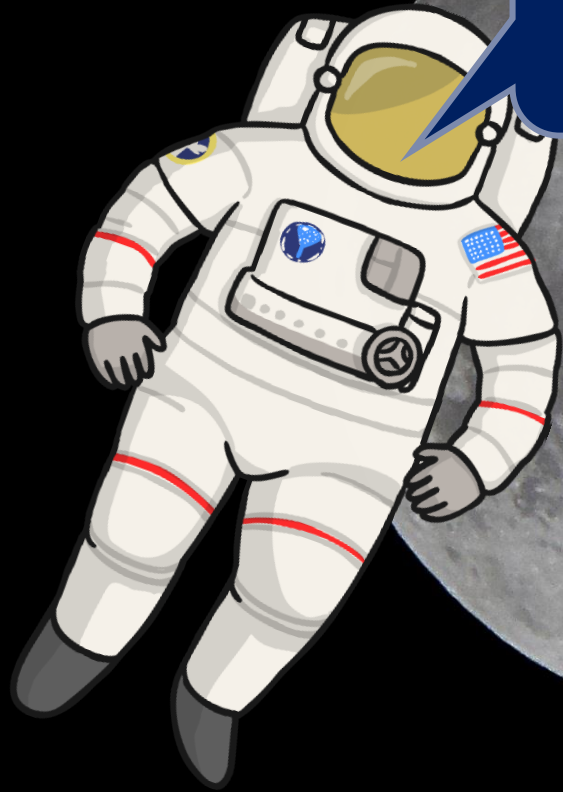


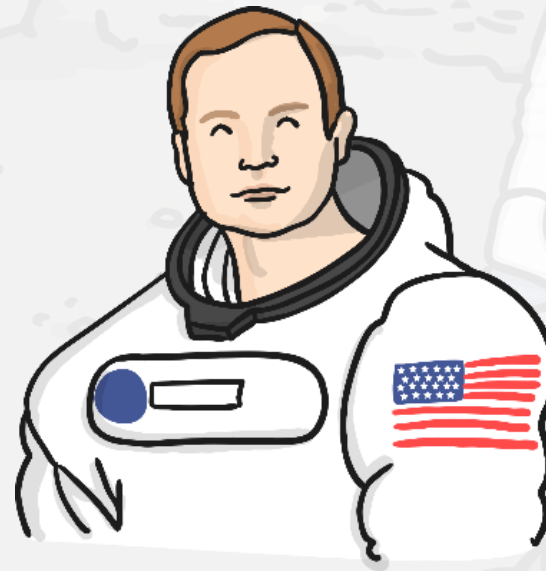
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Armstrong and Columbus

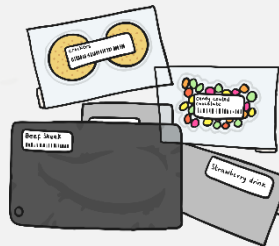
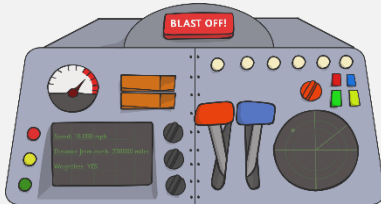
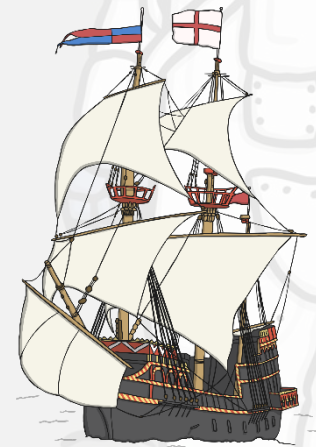
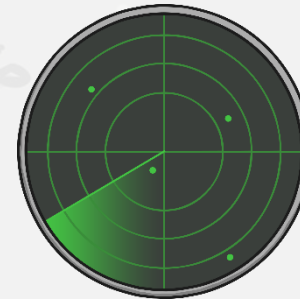
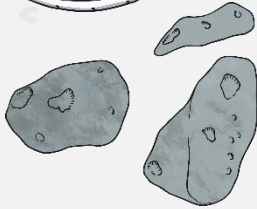
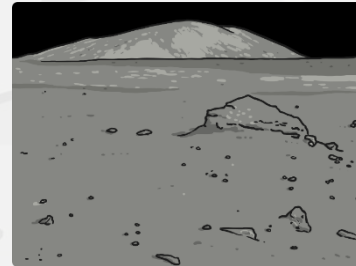
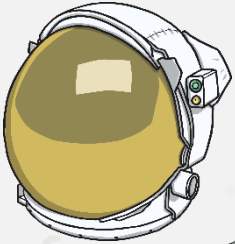
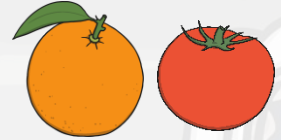
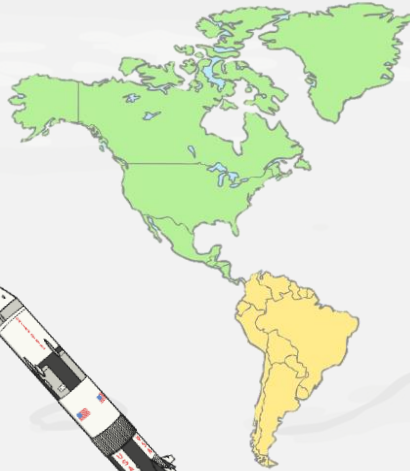
How was Armstrong's mission similar and different to that of Columbus?



- What did Armstrong want to do? How was this similar to what Columbus did?
- What was different about how they were going to complete their mission?
- What was the same or different about what they could use to help them?



Can you sort these items?

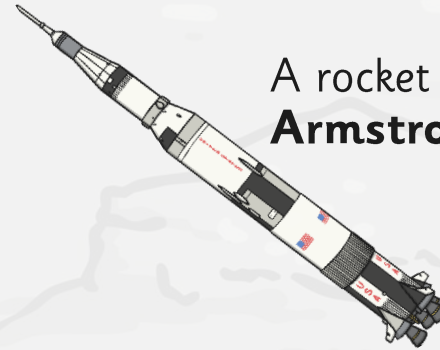


Important Items

Can you explain why these things are important or how they were used?



The Americas were important to **Columbus** because...



A rocket was used by **Armstrong** because...



The Moon was important to **Armstrong** because...



A ship was used by **Columbus** to...

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