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Each reader's part is highlighted in color.

List of Characters

(in order of appearance)

Group 1: Green

Group 2: Blue

Group 3: Orange

All: Red

When the characters speak in unison,
it is noted as **All**.

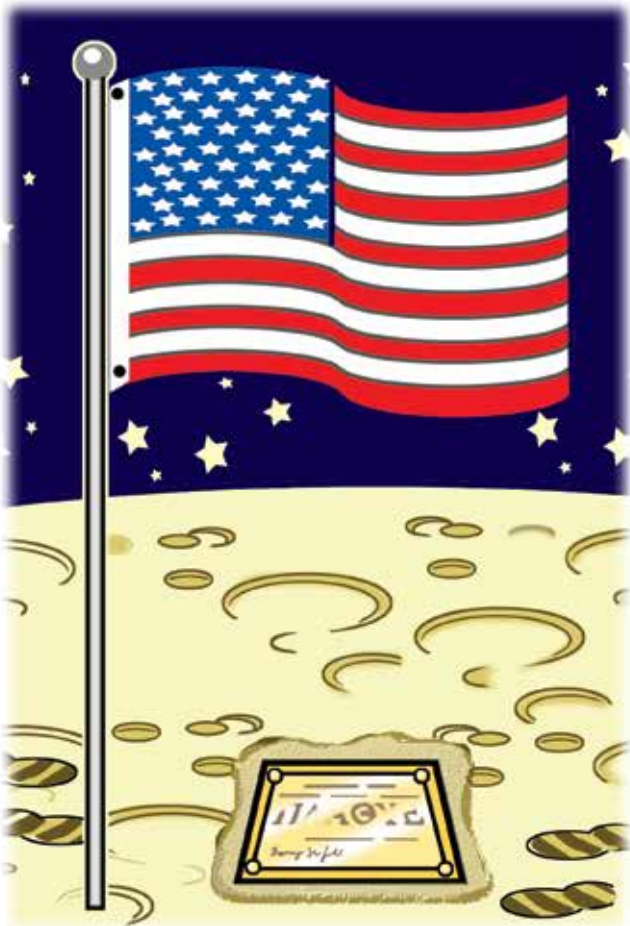


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Group 3: If you ever get the chance to visit the Moon, you will see their footprints. You will see the flag.

All: And you will see the sign the astronauts left: WE CAME IN PEACE FOR ALL MANKIND!



The First Moon Landing



Group 1: Do you ever look at the Moon and wonder?

Group 2: Sometimes, it looks big, round, and shiny. Sometimes, it looks like the letter C.

Group 3: Sometimes, you can't even find it!

Group 1: People have always wanted to explore the Moon. But it is so very far away.

Group 2: They didn't know how to get there. So they could only dream.

Group 3: But that changed in 1969. That's the year that people landed on the Moon!



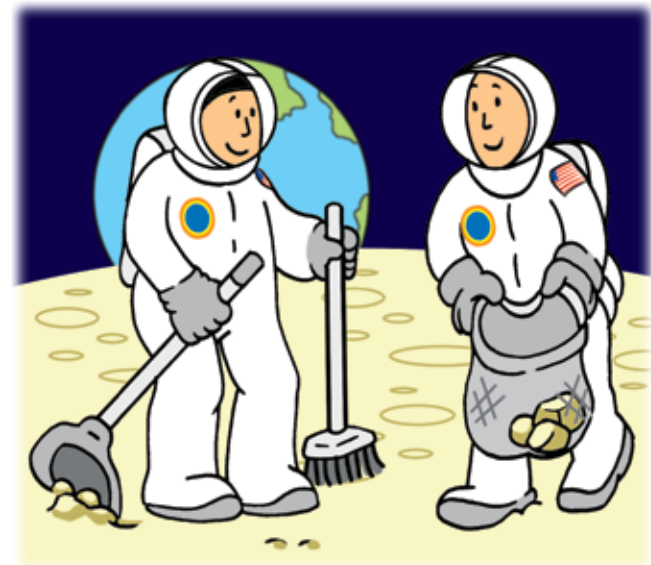
Group 1: They set up an American flag.

Group 2: They looked like kangaroos as they hopped around the Moon.

Group 3: They scooped up some rocks and dirt to study back home on Earth.

Group 1: Then it was time to return home. So the astronauts climbed into the spaceship and blasted off.

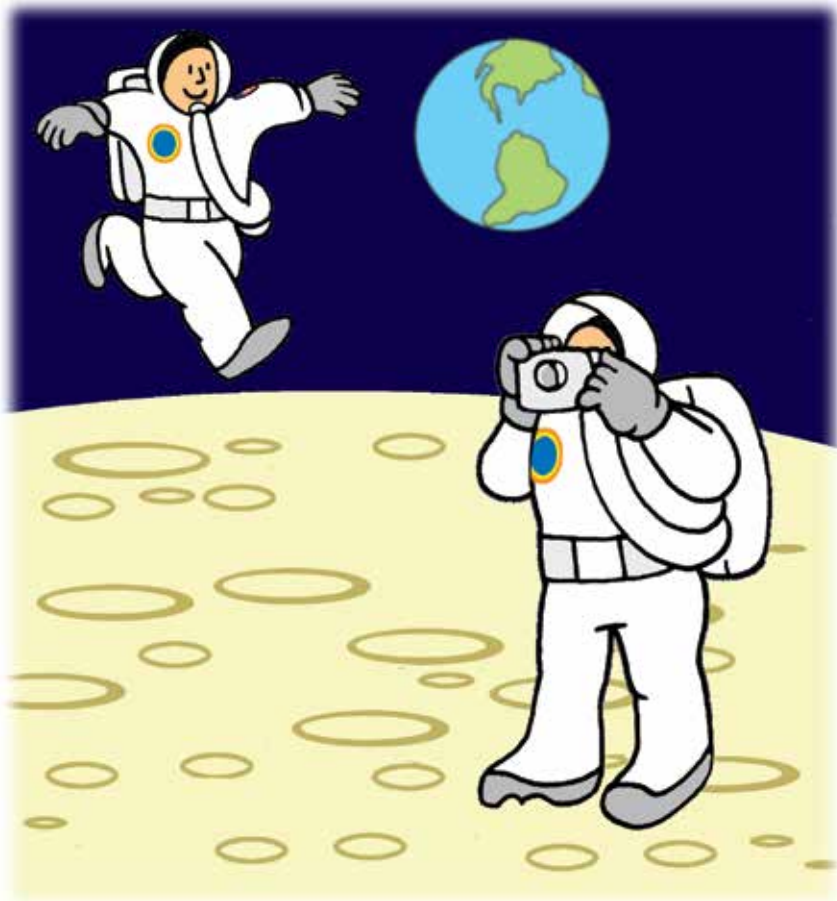
Group 2: When they landed safely back on Earth, everyone cheered again.



Group 1: Then the second astronaut, Buzz Aldrin, stepped onto the Moon.

Group 2: The astronauts began to explore the Moon.

Group 3: They took pictures.

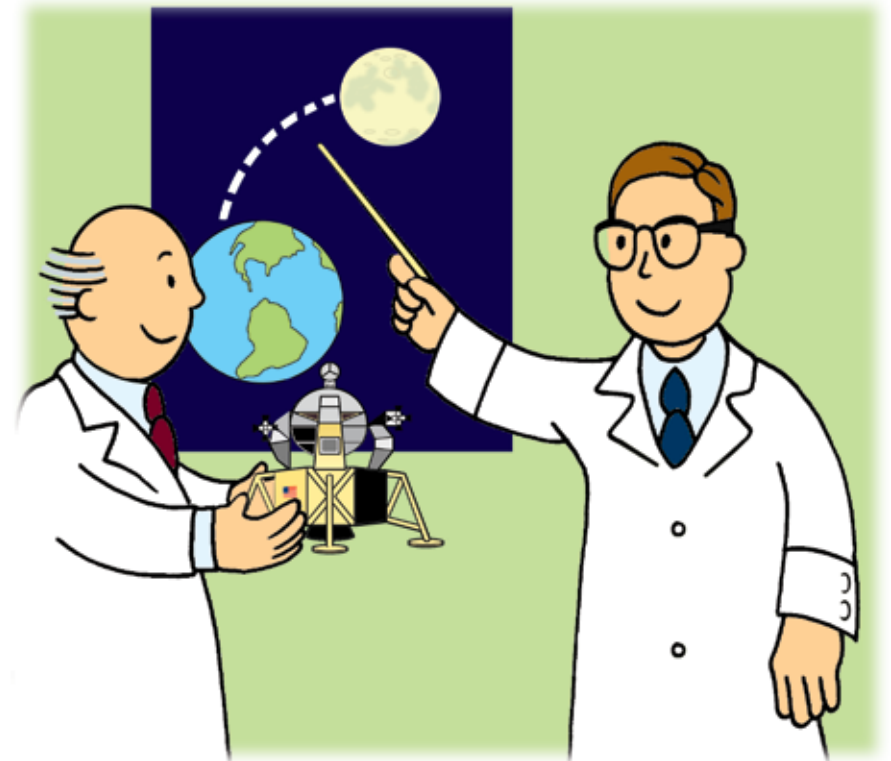


Group 1: Scientists worked long and hard to study how to go to the Moon.

Group 2: They built a spaceship to take people there.

Group 3: They trained special pilots, called astronauts, to make the trip.

All: Everybody got ready for the big day!

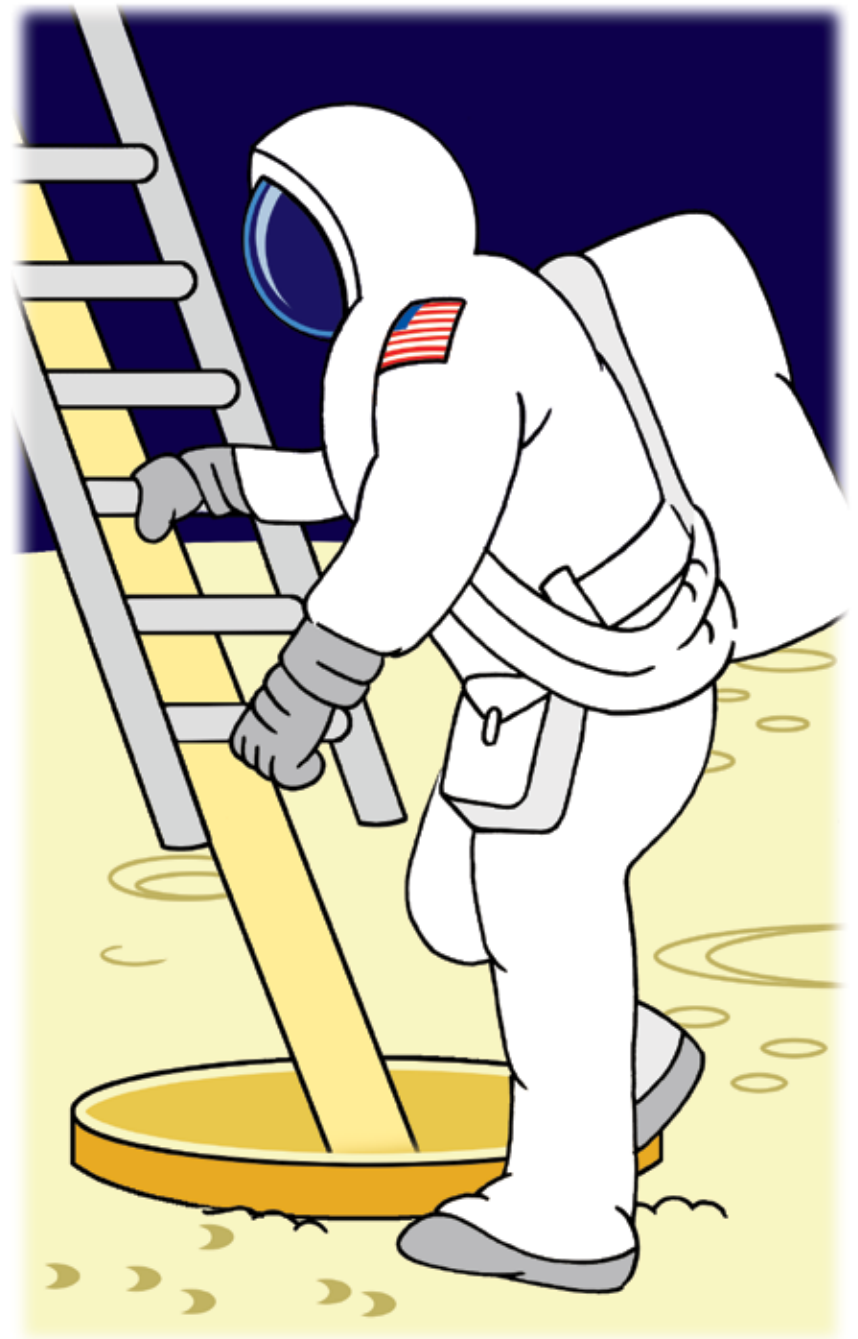


Group 1: On July 16, 1969, the rocket took off from Florida. It was taller than the Statue of Liberty!

Group 2: People watched it on TVs all over the world.

Group 3: Even the president of the United States watched the takeoff.

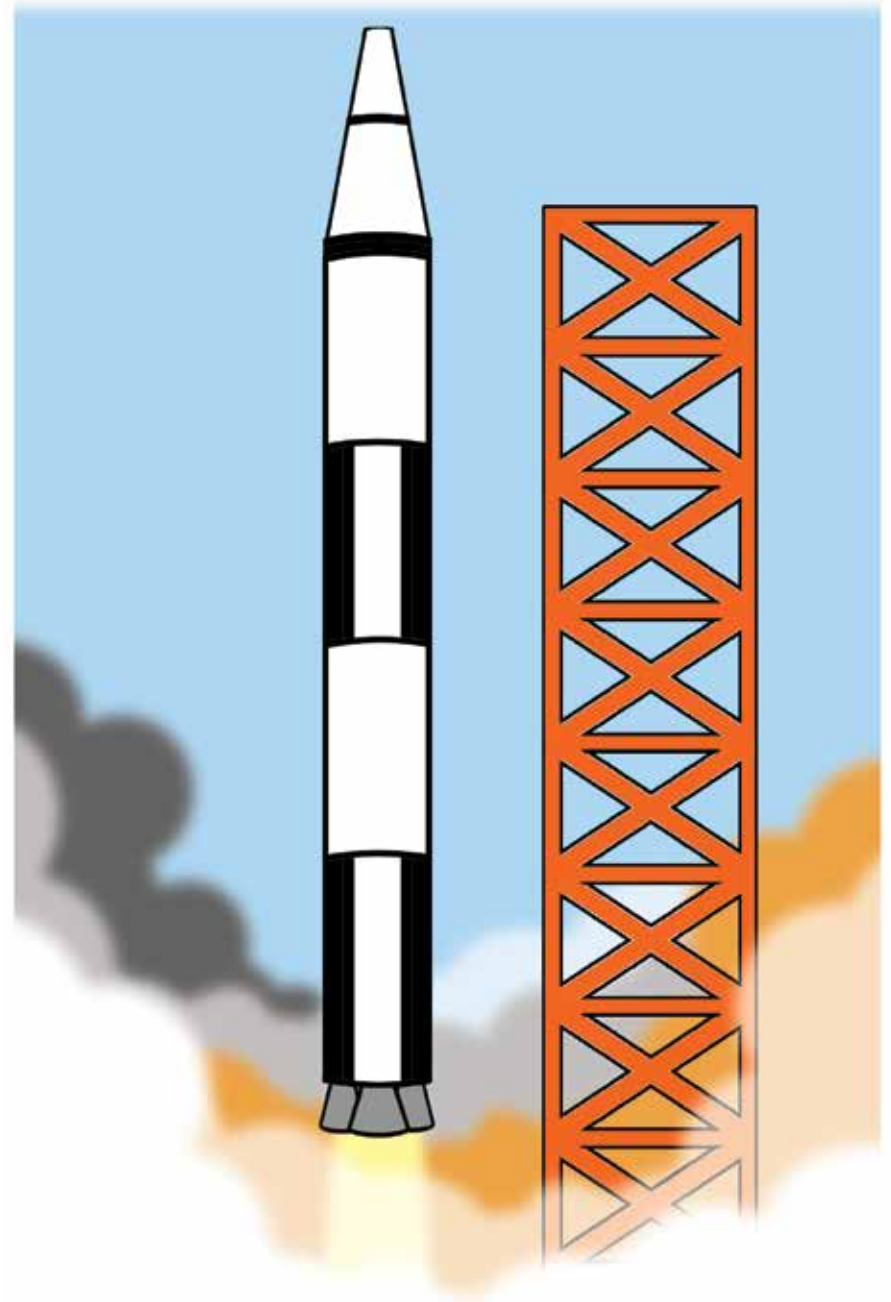
All: Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one—LIFTOFF!



Group 2: After the Eagle landed, Neil Armstrong climbed down a ladder.

Group 3: When he put his foot on the Moon, he said, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

All: One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind!



Group 1: Four days later, on July 20, part of the spaceship landed on the Moon.

Group 2: One of the astronauts, Neil Armstrong, told the scientists back home,

All: “The Eagle has landed!”

Group 1: Everyone cheered. People were on the Moon for the very first time!

