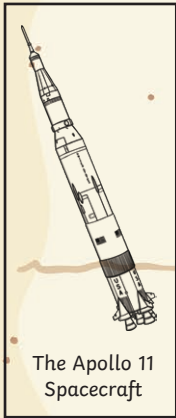


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## FIRST MAN ON THE MOON

**Yesterday, the 20<sup>th</sup> July 1969, will be a day that is remembered forever. NASA enabled the first men to successfully land and walk on the Moon.**

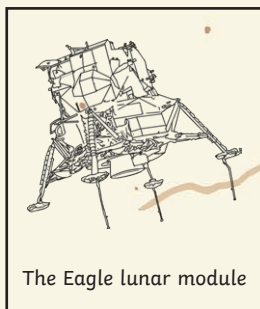


The Apollo 11 Spacecraft

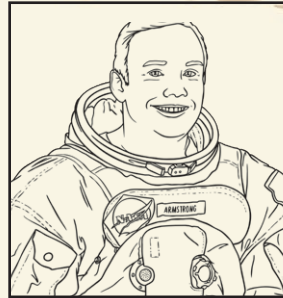
The astronauts flew 240,000 miles to the Moon in the spacecraft, Apollo 11. The journey took 76 hours (three days) from the takeoff on Earth to the Moon's surface.

A small lunar module called The Eagle left the main craft and landed on the Moon's surface with two astronauts inside: Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin.

They found it difficult to find a suitable location to land and only had a few minutes of fuel left.



The Eagle lunar module



Neil Armstrong, aged 38, was the first man to step his foot onto the Moon.

His historic first words on the Moon were, 'That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.' Buzz Aldrin, aged 39, then joined him. During their time on the Moon, the astronauts spoke to the US president, planted the flag of the USA and spent two hours collecting Moon samples and data.

The landing was watched on television by 600 million people around the world. Apollo 11 is now on its way back to Earth and should arrive on the 24<sup>th</sup> July.



Many people watched the event on television