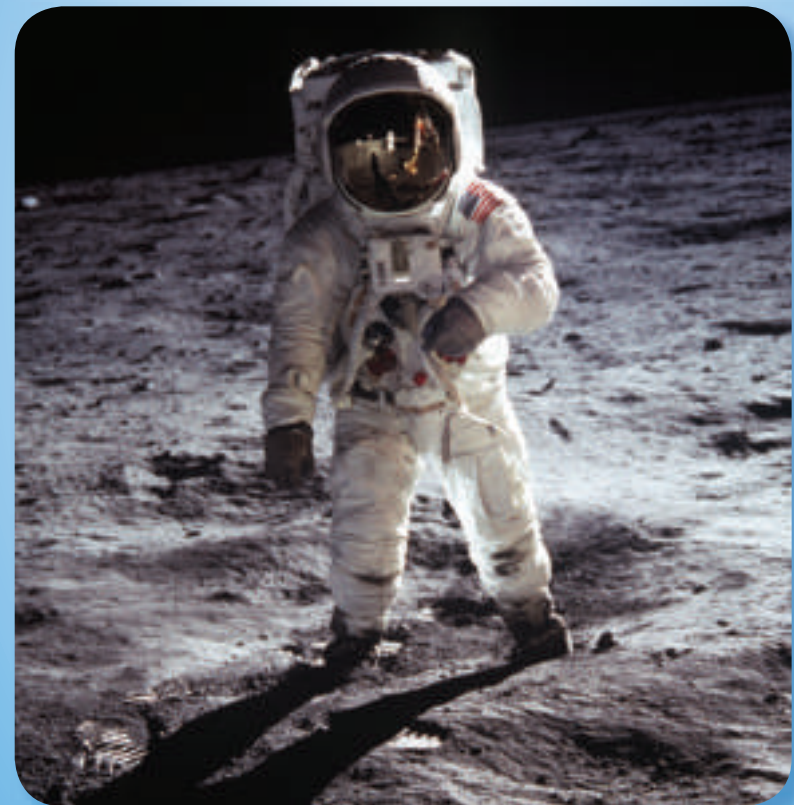


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On July 16, 1969, the *Apollo 11* spacecraft went into space. Three men were inside. They were astronauts. They were going to the Moon.



The three astronauts in the spacecraft were the *Apollo 11* crew. This was the first time people were going to the Moon. The astronauts worked long and hard before they went!



the *Columbia*

the *Eagle*

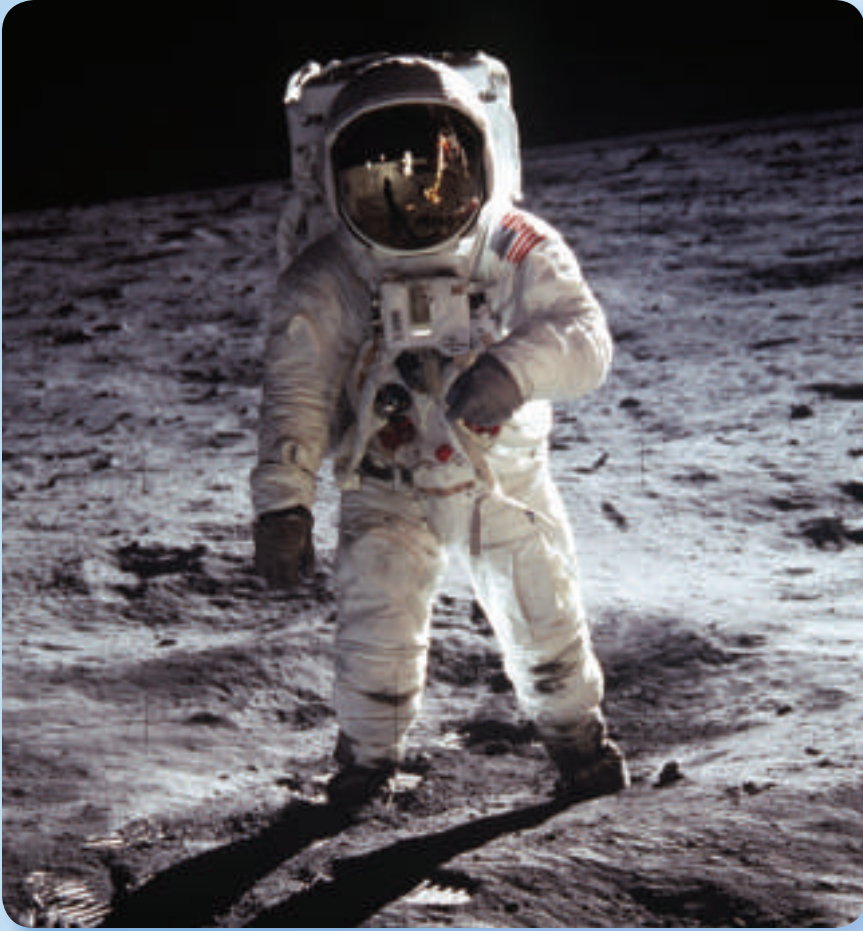


The *Apollo 11* spacecraft had two parts: the *Columbia* and the *Eagle*. The astronauts lived and worked in the part called the *Columbia*.



The trip to the Moon took three days. The spacecraft flew around the Moon. Two astronauts moved into the *Eagle*. The *Eagle* flew down to the Moon.





The two astronauts landed on the surface of the Moon safely. One astronaut sent a message to Earth. He said, "The *Eagle* has landed."



The two astronauts walked on the Moon. They put up an American flag. They took many pictures. They collected rocks and dust.





the *Columbia*



The spacecraft flew back to Earth.
On July 24, 1969, the *Columbia* landed
in the ocean.
The three astronauts were home!



Talk About It

1. How did the astronauts go to the moon?
2. What did two of the astronauts do on the moon?

Write About It

3. What is your favorite part of the *Apollo 11* trip? Write about it on a separate sheet of paper.

Extend Language

The word *spacecraft* is made of two words: space and craft. *Space* is the place that the Earth, Sun, and stars fly through. A *craft* is a boat or ship or flying machine. People fly a spacecraft through space. What are the two words in *everyone*? Does *everyone* mean the same as “every person”?

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