

Yuri Gagarin

The first human to journey into space!

Who Was He and What Did He Do?

- Yuri was born in Russia in 1934.
- He was an engineer.
- He was also a fighter pilot.
- He was shortlisted for the Vostok 1 programme.
- In 1961, he was the first human to enter space.

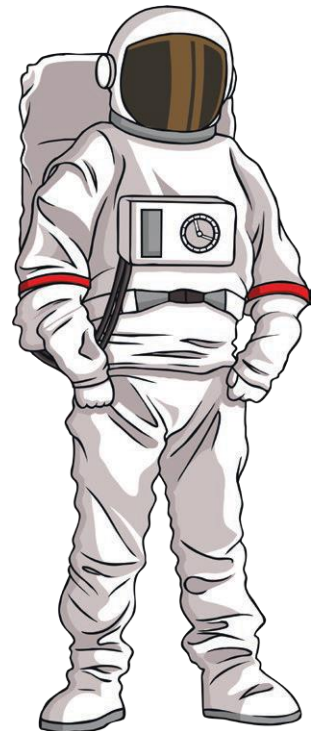


Did You Know?

It took 108 minutes to orbit the Earth at a speed of 27,400 kilometres per hour!

What Is He Remembered For?

- He was a national hero and worldwide celebrity.
- Yuri earned many awards.
- He was named a 'Hero of the Soviet Union'.
- The Soviet Union beat America in the space race.
- Sadly, he died on 27th March 1968, at just 34, in a fighter jet crash during training.
- There are statues of him in Russia, the UK and Kyrgyzstan.



Questions

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 - b. UK
 - c. Russia
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 - b. enter space
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3. How long did it take to orbit the Earth? Circle one.
 - a. 1 minute
 - b. 80 hours
 - c. 108 minutes
4. How fast did the spacecraft go? Circle one.
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