

John Glenn

The first American astronaut to orbit Earth!

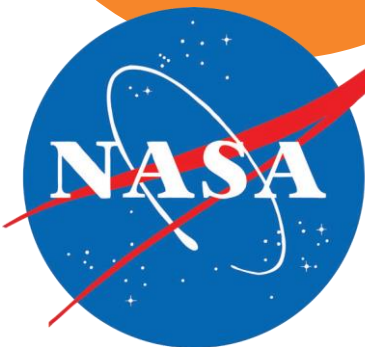
Who Is He and What Did He Do?

- John was born in the USA in 1921.
- He was a combat pilot.
- He was a military test pilot.
- He was picked by NASA to become part of the 'Mercury Seven' crew.



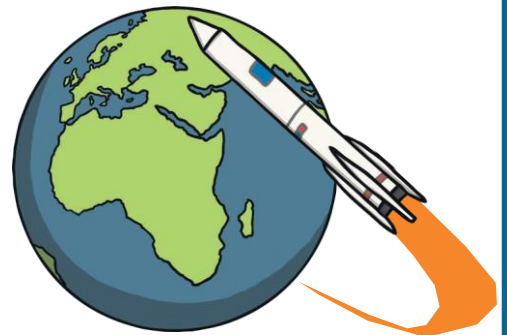
Did You Know?

NASA invited him into space again at 77 years old because they wanted to learn what space did to older people.



What Is He Remembered For?

- He set a speed record.
- He was the third US astronaut to have entered space.
- He was the first American to circle the Earth.
- He became a US senator for 24 years.
- He was the oldest person sent into space.
- He is considered a national hero.
- He had an airport renamed after him.



Questions

1. When was he born? Tick one.

2017 ☐

1921 ☐

77 ☐

2. Who chose him to be one of the 'Mercury Seven'? Tick one.

no-one ☐

aliens ☐

NASA ☐

3. What was he first to do? Tick one.

He was the first American to circle the Earth. ☐

He was the first American to be 77. ☐

He was the first American to go in an airport. ☐

4. What did he have named after him? Tick one.

a planet ☐

a country ☐

an airport ☐

5. **Tick two** true facts about John Glenn.

He was the oldest person sent into space. ☐

He was the fastest runner on Earth. ☐

He was a US senator for 24 years. ☐

Answers

1. When was he born? Tick one.

2017 ☐

1921 ☒

77 ☐

2. Who chose him to be one of the 'Mercury Seven'? Tick one.

no-one ☐

aliens ☐

NASA ☒

3. What was he first to do? Tick one.

He was the first American to circle the Earth. ☒

He was the first American to be 77. ☐

He was the first American to go in an airport. ☐

4. What did he have named after him? Tick one.

a planet ☐

a country ☐

an airport ☒

5. **Tick two** true facts about John Glenn.

He was the oldest person sent into space. ☒

He was the fastest runner on Earth. ☐

He was a US senator for 24 years. ☒

