



KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER: History The Space Race Year 1 Block 2

Key Vocabulary

Past	When something has already happened or been used before now.
Present	Something that is happening now, or we use today.
Change	When something becomes different over time.
Chronological Order	Ordering things in the order that they happened.
Astronaut	Someone who goes into space.
Significant Individual	A person who is very important



Yuri Gagarin

The first man in space!



Neil Armstrong

The first man on the moon!



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Learning about the past

History is all about learning about what has happened before. The reason we learn about history is so we can understand where we have come from. It also helps us understand that things are always changing and a lot of the time that makes life better.

1949

The first monkey is sent to space. His name was Albert II and he was a Rhesus monkey. He flew 83 miles away from Earth!



1961

Yuri Gagarin became the first man in space.



1942

The first rocket called V2 was launched. It was designed by a German engineer called Wernher Von Braun.



1959

Scientists from the Soviet Union and America were in a competition to send a spacecraft to the moon. The Soviet Union succeeded first. A space probe called Lunar 2 was sent and it travelled at such an immense speed that it would have killed a person if they were inside it!

1969

Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin set foot on the moon! The first words said on the moon were 'the Eagle has landed'.

