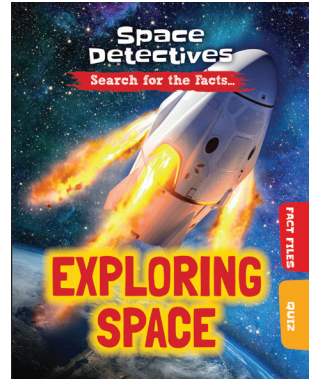


Title:

# Exploring Space

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## Before Reading

- Show the cover and title. Ask:
  - What do you already know about space travel?
  - What do you want to learn from this book?
  - Can humans live in space? Why or why not?

## During Reading

- Stop and talk about key topics:
  - What was the first spacecraft to land on the Moon?
  - What is life like on the International Space Station?
  - How is Mars being explored today?

## After Reading

### Reflect and discuss

- What was the most surprising thing you learned?
- Which space mission would you like to join?
- Why do you think it's important to explore space?

## **Activities**

### **1. Design a Space Mission**

- Imagine you are designing a new space mission.
- Where would you go? What would your mission be?
- Draw your spacecraft and explain what it does.

### **2. Timeline of Space Travel**

- Make a simple timeline with 3–5 important space events.
- Include dates, a short fact, and a small picture or symbol for each one.

### **3. Space Fact Sheet**

- Choose something from the book (like the Moon, a telescope, or Mars).
- Write 3–5 facts about it and share them with a partner or the group.