



Katherine Johnson & the Human Computers - Vocab Cards

Alan Shepard]>

an American astronaut. He was the first American to travel in space in 1961 and went to the moon in 1971.

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Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

computer]>

someone or something that calculates.

Jerome thinks that people are better _computers_ than machines, but I disagree because humans make a lot of mistakes.



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Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

discrimination]>

unfair or prejudiced treatment of a person or group.

The employees had a protest; they felt that the company was practicing _discrimination_—treating people unfairly based on their race and religion.

Synonyms: prejudice, inequality

Antonyms: fairness, equality, impartiality

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John Glenn]>

a U.S. astronaut and politician who, in 1962, became the first to American to orbit the Earth.

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Katherine Johnson]>

a U.S. research mathematician at NASA during the 1950s-1980s who made large contributions to the Space Race, such as calculating the trajectory for the first US spaceflight and the first mission to the moon.

Keke chose to write about _Katherine Johnson_ because she idolized the pioneering American who worked as a research mathematician at NASA.

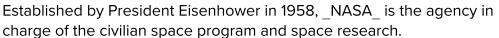


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NASA]>

the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. An American government agency that conducts research and travel into space.





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orbit]>

one complete trip along a curved path around another body in space.

Each planet takes a different amount of time to complete an _orbit_ around the Sun.



Synonyms: revolution

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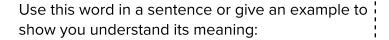
segregation]>

the act, process, or policy of separating people of different races, sexes, religions, etc.

For many years, laws in the United States allowed _segregation_. There were separate schools and even water fountains for White people and Black people.

Synonyms: separation, discrimination

Antonyms: integration





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Space Race]>

a competition between nations to explore outer space using spacecrafts and satellites in the 1950s-1970s.

The _Space Race_, which lasted about 20 years, led to huge advances in science and technology for the many nations competing to explore our galaxy.



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trajectory]>

the path of a flying projectile or a moving object.

The _trajectory_ of the space ship was carefully planned and modeled. They knew the path it would take.



Synonyms: path, direction, route

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