

More Firsts in Space

SPACE HISTORY CHALLENGE™

- Which astronaut first played golf on the Moon?
 - Ben Hogan
 - Alan Shepard
 - Buzz Aldrin
- Which two astronauts piloted the first orbital Space Shuttle mission?
 - Joe Engle and Richard Truly
 - Fred Haise and Gordon Fullerton
 - John Young and Robert Crippen
- Who was the first member of the US Congress to fly aboard a Space Shuttle?
 - Utah Senator Jake Garn
 - Ohio Senator John Glenn
 - Florida Senator Bill Nelson
- Which rocket launched the first US satellite, *Explorer 1*, into orbit?
 - Jupiter 2
 - Juno 1
 - Jupiter C
- Which space mission showed the first live TV broadcast of the lunar surface?
 - Apollo 8*
 - Apollo 10*
 - Apollo 11*
- Who was the first African American woman to fly in space?
 - Stephanie Wilson
 - Joan Higginbotham
 - Mae Jemison
- The USSR sent the first dog (Laika) into space and the US sent the first monkey (Albert II). Which country sent the first cat?
 - India
 - France
 - China
- Who was the first person of African descent to fly in space?
 - Arnaldo Tamayo Méndez
 - Guion "Guy" Bluford
 - Mae Jemison
- What species of animal was first to fly in space?
 - Spider
 - Dog
 - Fruit fly

Answers:

- (B) Shepard, also the first American in space (May 1961), golfed during the *Apollo 14* mission (January 1971).
- (C) The other two groups were the Shuttle Approach and Landing Test crews.
- (A) Sen. Garn flew on STS 51D in 1985.
- (B) Juno 1 was derived from the Jupiter C sounding rocket.
- (A) During the *Apollo 8* mission, Borman, Lovell, and Anders participated in six TV broadcasts. The fourth took place while orbiting the Moon; the surface can be seen—albeit hazily—through the window.
- (C) Jemison flew first on STS-47 in 1992. Wilson and Higginbotham were second and third.
- (B) Félicette (1963)
- (A) Gen. Tamayo Méndez was also the first Cuban and Latin American to fly (*Soyuz 38*, 1980). Bluford was the first African American man and Jemison the first African American woman.
- (C) The fruit flies were launched on a US V-2 rocket in 1947 and recovered alive.

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