

Ellen Ochoa

Read the passage. Then, complete the graphic organizer with details from the passage.

When Ellen Ochoa was growing up, she did not dream of going into space. At that time, there were no female astronauts in America. It was not until Ochoa was 20 years old that Sally Ride and five other women joined the space program. Ochoa was in college then. She applied to become an astronaut. She was picked to join the space program in 1990.

Ochoa was the first Hispanic American woman to fly into space. Her first mission was in 1993. She was in space for nine days. It was Ochoa's job to launch a satellite. She used the shuttle's robot arm to do this. She also helped her team do research. She stayed in touch with her family on Earth using e-mail.

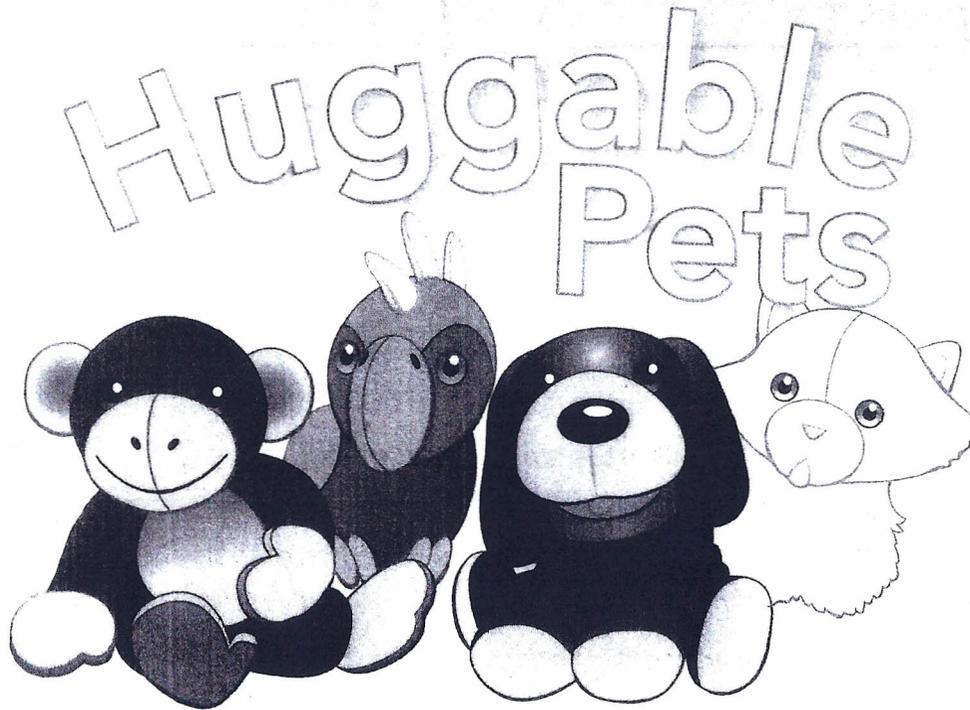
Since that first trip, Ochoa has gone into space three more times. She has spent 978 hours in space. On each trip, she worked the robot arm. Ochoa loves going into space. She thinks it is exciting and interesting.



Graphic organizer consisting of four circles arranged in a diamond shape. The top circle contains the name "Ellen Ochoa". Each circle has five horizontal lines for notes.

You Need a Huggable Pet Toy!

Read the advertisement. Then, answer the questions.



Everyone should experience the joy of having a pet! You will love your Huggable Pet toy even more because you never need to feed or bathe it. It snuggles with you. It comes when you call it. Your Huggable Pet even does tricks. Choose your favorite: monkey, dog, cat, or bird. It is worth the joy at any price!

(Prices may vary. Some assembly is required. Clothes, pet toys, routine maintenance, and batteries are not included.)

1. What is this advertisement trying to sell you?

2. What does the advertisement say to convince you to buy this toy?
 - A. It will make life easier.
 - B. It will save you money.
 - C. Everyone should have one.
3. What does the advertisement tell you is good about the toy?

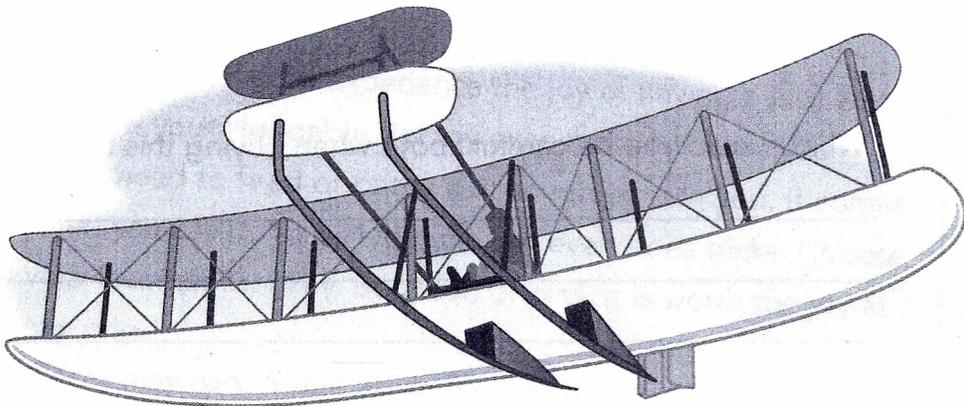
4. Does the advertisement tell you anything bad about the toy?

yes	no
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5. What should you be careful about when buying this toy?

The Wright Brothers

Read the passage. Then, answer the questions.

Orville and Wilbur Wright are famous American brothers. They owned a bicycle shop in Dayton, Ohio. They also thought of flying. In 1899, they **experimented**, or tried new ideas, with flight. They started by testing kites. Then, they tested airplanes without motors. These airplanes were called gliders. These tests taught them how an airplane should move and fly. The brothers made more than 1,000 flights at a field in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. The Wright brothers put a small engine on an airplane they named *Flyer*. On December 17, 1903, Orville Wright took the first flight using an airplane with a motor. The flight lasted 12 seconds. The brothers kept experimenting. Finally, they were able to stay in the air more than one hour.



1. What is the main idea of the story?
 - A. Testing new ideas is not important.
 - B. The *Flyer* was the first airplane.
 - C. The Wright brothers were early pilots.
2. What does the word **experiment** mean?
 - A. to try new ideas
 - B. to test kites
 - C. to stay in the air for one hour
3. Where did the brothers test their gliders and their airplane?

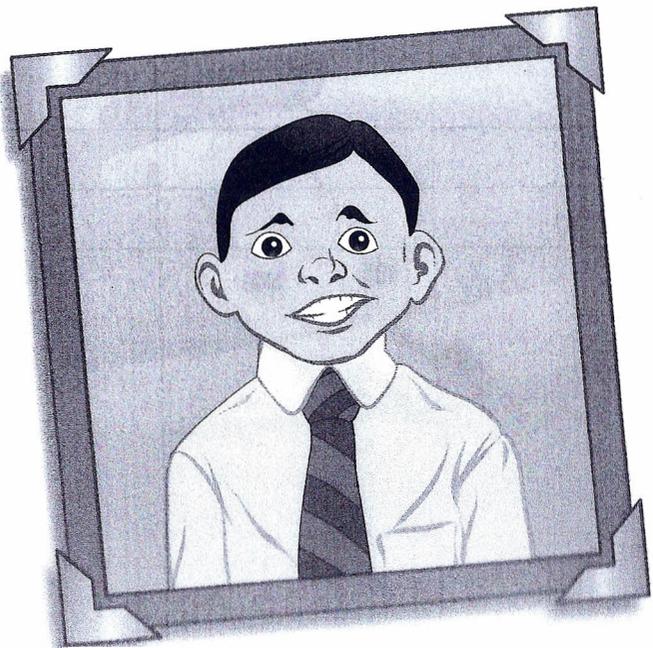
4. How long did their first flight in an airplane with a motor last?

5. How did the brothers learn about what makes airplanes work?

Photograph

Read the story. Then, answer the questions.

Lamar was not comfortable. His new shirt was too stiff, and his tie felt tight. His mother had fussed over his hair. She wanted to make it look just right. She made him scrub his hands three times to clean the dirt from under his fingernails. Then, he had to brush and floss his teeth. Finally, his mom said he was ready. She smiled and said that Lamar looked very handsome. Lamar frowned, but he knew he could not tell his mom how he really felt. This was important to her. So, Lamar sat on a stool and looked toward the camera. He tried his best, even though he did not feel like smiling. "Perfect!" said the man behind the camera as he snapped the shot. The camera made a clicking sound. Lamar posed two more times. Then, the man said they were finished. The first thing Lamar did was take off his tie!



1. What was Lamar doing?

2. What clues tell you what Lamar is doing?

3. How does Lamar feel?

A. excited

B. uncomfortable

C. sad

4. What clues tell you how Lamar feels?

5. The _____ said, "Perfect!"

Amelia Earhart

Read the passage. Then, complete the crossword puzzle.

It is not surprising that Amelia Earhart wanted to fly an airplane. She was fearless when she was a little girl. In 1920, not many women flew airplanes. She did not let that stop her.

She started flying lessons in 1921. In 1922, she set a record for the highest flight by a woman. Then, in 1928, a man asked her if she could cross the Atlantic Ocean in an airplane. Earhart said that she could. Charles Lindbergh was the first man to fly across the ocean in an airplane. Earhart became the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean as a passenger. After the flight, people called her "Lady Lindy."

In 1932, she flew across the Atlantic Ocean again. This time she flew alone. In 1935, she was the first person to fly alone from Hawaii to California. She kept setting records. But, in 1937, she made the biggest news of all. Earhart was going to fly around the world!

Earhart and her navigator took off on June 1, 1937. They left from Florida. Her friends never dreamed it would be the last time they ever saw Earhart. On July 2, a ship picked up a radio call from Earhart somewhere over the Pacific Ocean. She said that she was running out of gas. They could not see the island where they were supposed to land for fuel. No one ever heard from them again.

We may never find the truth about the death of Amelia Earhart. But, she proved that women could have the same jobs as men and do them just as well.

1. Earhart disappeared over the _____ Ocean on July 2, 1937.
2. In 1928, Earhart became the first _____ to fly across the Atlantic Ocean as a passenger.
3. Earhart and her _____ took off on June 1, 1937.
4. Earhart started _____ in 1921.
5. Charles _____ was the first man to fly across the Atlantic Ocean.
6. People called Earhart " _____ ."
7. Earhart was the first _____ to fly alone from Hawaii to California.
8. In 1932, Earhart crossed the Atlantic Ocean _____ .

