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Astronauts

A person who is trained to travel in space



Aeronautics

The science of air and space travel



Weightlessness

Lightness, state of being small in weight

Mission

Truss

Payload



Very few people have ever been in space. Altogether, about 400 men and women have made the trip. The first **astronauts** were expert pilots. Now, scientists with many different backgrounds are sent into space. To become an astronaut, you must be very well educated, highly physically and mentally fit, and be able to train long and hard.



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In the United States, the **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)** selects and trains all American astronauts. You have to be an extraordinary person to get into NASA's space program. Only one hundred people are chosen for training every two years.

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Parts of a Spacesuit



INSIDE



Communications Carrier Assembly

Worn under the helmet, the Communications Carrier Assembly is a cap made of fabric that is sometimes called the Snoopy Cap. It contains microphones and earphones so the astronaut can communicate hands-free through the radio.