





Who Am I? Women in Space

Directions: Read each description below. Then, use books and digital research tools to help you match the person to the description. Cut and paste the person’s image and name to the correct description. Then, conduct further research using the instructions below.

Answer Sheet

Research Directions:

- Research one of the women online and/or by finding books at the library.
- Next, create a blog, piece of writing, poster, or artwork to teach others about what you learned.

<p>I was born in Boston and went to Harvard University for college. I am an American engineer and a NASA astronaut. I flew to space onboard three Space Shuttle missions. I’m the second African American female to go into space. I spent 42 days in space, which is the record for the most time any African American astronaut has spent in space.</p>	<p>Stephanie Wilson</p> 
<p>I was born in California. As a student, I loved math and science. I also loved playing tennis. In 1977, I applied to be an astronaut at NASA and was hired. At first, I worked to support other space shuttle flights. I also helped develop the robotic arm that helps put satellites into space. In 1983, I became the first American woman in space.</p>	<p>Sally Ride</p> 
<p>I was born in Karnal, Haryana, India. As a kid, I loved to learn about airplanes and flying. I moved to the United States in 1982 after getting my degree in India. I began working at NASA in 1988 as a researcher to learn about takeoff and landing. My first space mission was in 1997, when I was the first Indian woman to fly in space.</p>	<p>Kalpana Chawla</p> 
<p>I was born in Alabama, but grew up in Chicago. As a child, I loved dancing and science. I joined the Peace Corps after earning a medical degree from Cornell Medical School. I traveled on the space shuttle <i>Endeavour</i> as a mission specialist. That is when I became the first African American female astronaut to enter space.</p>	<p>Mae Jemison</p> 



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Sally Ride



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