

**Vocabulary:**

Neil Armstrong, astronaut, USA, moon, mission, 1969, Apollo 11, Buzz Aldrin, Michael Collins, NASA, Kennedy Space Centre, spacecraft and launch.

**Topic Overview**  
**Y1 Significant Individuals**  
**Beyond Living Memory**  
**Neil Armstrong**

**Key things to remember:**

- I know that Neil Armstrong was an astronaut.
- I know that Neil Armstrong was from the USA.
- I know that Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the moon.
- I know that Neil Armstrong’s mission was in 1969.
- I know that Apollo 11 was the spacecraft which landed on the moon.
- I know that Neil Armstrong said, ‘That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind’.
- I know that Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins were the astronauts who accompanied Neil Armstrong on the Apollo 11 space mission.
- I know that NASA stands for National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- I know that the Kennedy Space Centre is the place where the Apollo 11 spacecraft launched.
- I know that astronauts need to have special equipment such as helmets, gloves and spacesuits.
- I know that since Apollo 11, there have been many more space missions to the moon.



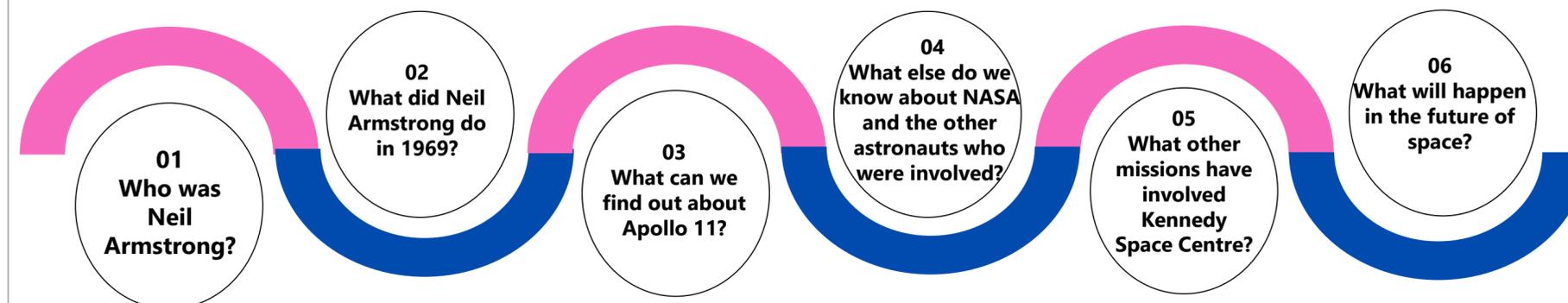
**Prior Learning (EYFS):**

Understanding the world: People and communities  
 40-60 months+ ELG  
 Children talk about past and present events in their own lives and in the lives of family members. They know that other children don’t always enjoy the same things, and are sensitive to this. They know about similarities and differences between themselves and others, and among families, communities and traditions.

**Progression (Y2 Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus):**

I know about the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Some should be used to compare aspects of life in different periods (Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong).

**Possible Lesson Sequence**



**Pupil Interview Questions:**

- Who was Neil Armstrong?
- What did he achieve?
- What did he say?
- Tell me about the spacecraft he travelled to the moon in.
- Tell me 3 things you know about NASA.

**Skills of a Historian:**

-  Children can sequence events in their own lives and discuss the life of Neil Armstrong.
-  I know and can talk about a range of events, including space missions since Apollo 11.
-  Talk about the reliability and usefulness of people’s perceptions of the moon and moon landing etc.
-  I can ask simple questions about what life would be like as an astronaut. I can use simple, age appropriate books and pictures to find answers.
-  I can role play a rocket launch and discuss my understanding of life as an astronaut in a hot seating activity.