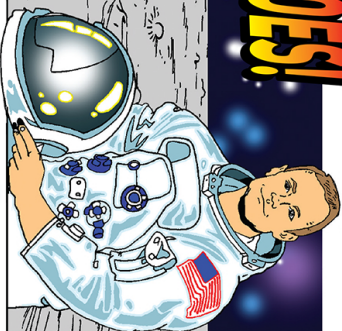


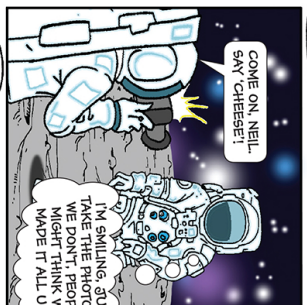
# THE WORLD'S GREATEST HEROES!

## NEIL ARMSTRONG First man on the moon!

Exploding engines, rocket planes and crashing crafts...  
NG Kids brings you the amazing story of Neil Armstrong,  
the first man to ever set foot on the moon!

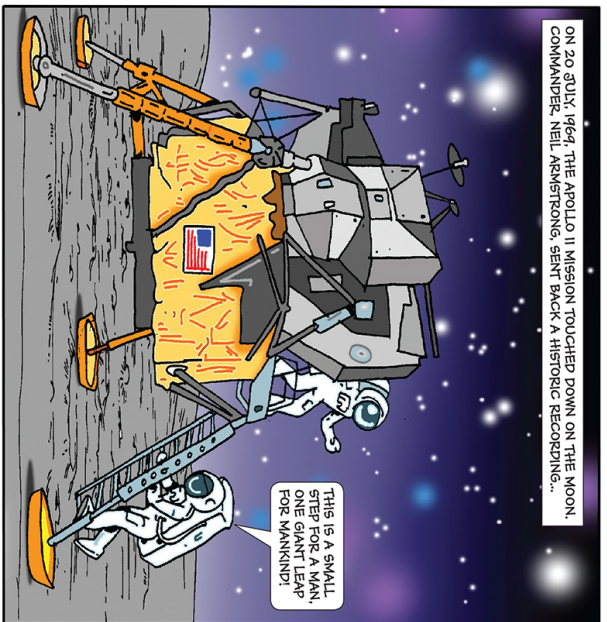


ON 20 JULY, 1969, THE APOLLO 11 MISSION TOUCHED DOWN ON THE MOON  
COMMANDER, NEIL ARMSTRONG, SENT BACK A HISTORIC RECORDING...



COME ON, NEIL,  
SMILE!

I'M SMILING, JUST  
TAKE THE PHOTO. IF  
WE DON'T, PEOPLE  
MIGHT THINK WE  
MADE IT ALL UP!

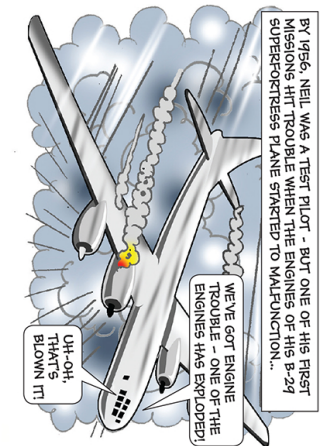


THIS IS A SMALL  
STEP FOR A MAN,  
ONE GIANT LEAP  
FOR MANKIND!



I'VE SURE COME A  
LONG WAY SINCE  
I FIRST LEARNED  
TO FLY...

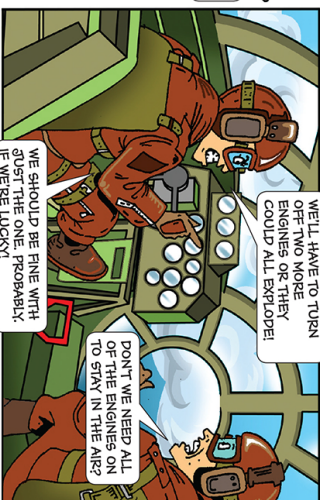
YOU'VE GOT YOUR  
PILOT'S LICENCE  
BEFORE YOU CAN  
EVEN DRIVE, SON.  
JUST DON'T GET  
MIXED UP AND  
PARK A PLANE IN  
THE GARAGE!



BY 1956, NEIL WAS A TEST PILOT - BUT ONE OF HIS FIRST  
MISSIONS HIT TROUBLE WHEN THE ENGINES OF HIS B-24  
SUPERFORTRESS PLANE STARTED TO MALFUNCTION...

WE'VE GOT ENGINE  
TROUBLE - ONE OF THE  
ENGINES HAS EXPLODED!

UH-OH,  
THAT'S  
BLOWN IT!

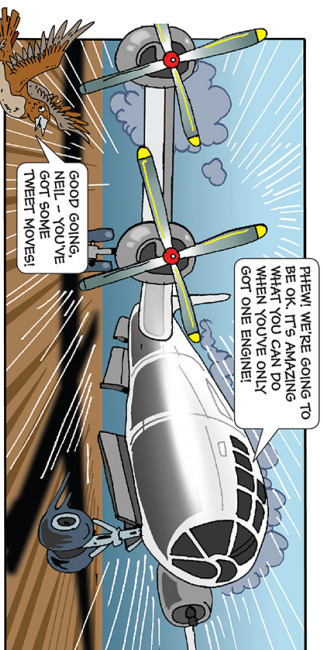


WE'LL HAVE TO TURN  
OFF TWO MORE  
ENGINES OR THEY  
COULD ALL EXPLODE!

DON'T WE NEED ALL  
OF THE ENGINES ON  
TO STAY IN THE AIR?

WE SHOULD BE FINE WITH  
JUST THE ONE, PROBABLY.  
IF WE'RE LUCKY!

Illustration: Stuart Harrison. Comic consultant: Alan Cowell.



PHEW! WE'RE GOING TO  
BE OK. IT'S AMAZING  
WHAT YOU CAN DO  
WHEN YOU'VE ONLY  
GOT ONE ENGINE!

GOOD GOING,  
NEIL - YOU'VE  
NOT SOME  
TIER 1 NOBLES!

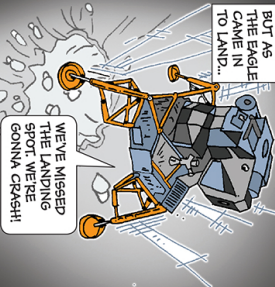
WHY DO YOU  
KEEP LOOKING  
OUT OF THE  
WINDOW?

A YEAR LATER, THE UNITED STATES CREATED  
NASA. NEIL SOON BECAME AN ASTRONAUT  
AND, IN 1966, WENT ON HIS FIRST MISSION.



MY MOTHER SAID  
I SHOULD HAVE TO  
WEIGH ME  
PRIOR TO EVERY  
FLIGHT OVER  
AMERICA...

BUT AS  
THE ENGINE  
CAME IN  
TO LAND...



WE'VE MISSED  
THE LANDING  
SPOT. WE'RE  
GONNA CRASH!

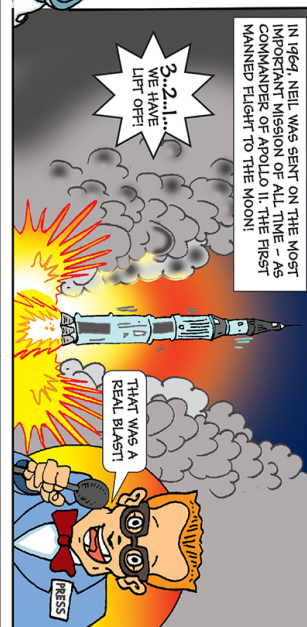


WHILE NEIL WAS STILL A PILOT, THE  
SPACE RACE STARTED TO HEAT UP  
WHEN THE SOVIET UNION SENT THE  
FIRST LIVING CREATURE INTO SPACE...

..A DOG  
CALLED  
ALKA.

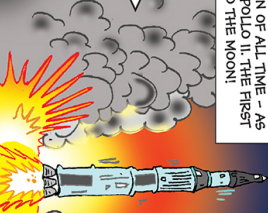
WOOF!  
WOOF!

\* TRANSLATION: COMIC!

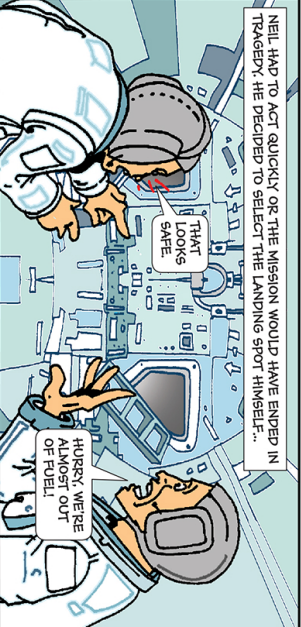


IN 1964, NEIL WAS SENT ON THE MOST  
IMPORTANT MISSION OF ALL THE - AS  
COMMANDER OF APOLLO 11, THE FIRST  
MANNED FLIGHT TO THE MOON!

3...2...1...!  
WE HAVE  
LIFT OFF!



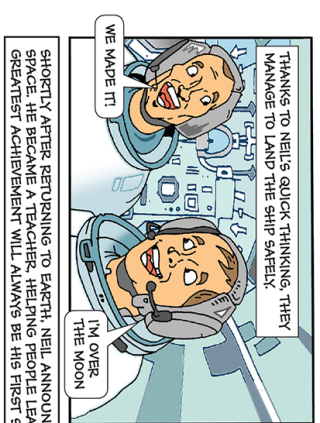
THAT WAS A  
REAL BLAST!



NEIL HAD TO ACT QUICKLY OR THE MISSION WOULD HAVE ENDED IN  
TRAGEDY. HE DECIDED TO SELECT THE LANDING SPOT HIMSELF...

THAT  
LOOKS  
SAFE.

HURRY, WE'RE  
ALMOST OUT  
OF FUEL!

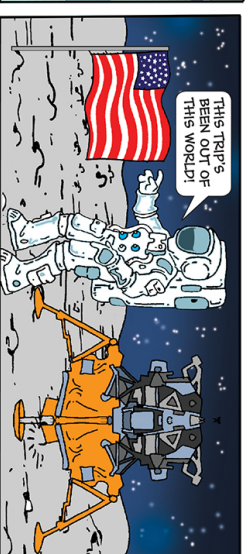


THANKS TO NEIL'S QUICK THINKING, THEY  
MANAGE TO LAND THE SHIP SAFELY.

WE MADE IT!

I'M OVER  
THE MOON.

SHORTLY AFTER RETURNING TO EARTH, NEIL ANNOUNCED THAT THE APOLLO 11 MISSION WAS TO BE HIS LAST TRIP INTO  
SPACE. HE BECAME A TEACHER, HELPING PEOPLE LEARN ABOUT SPACE TRAVEL, AND RECEIVED MANY AWARDS. BUT HIS  
GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT WILL ALWAYS BE HIS FIRST STEPS ON THE MOON!



THIS TRIP'S  
BEEN OUT OF  
THIS WORLD!