# Amelia Earhart and Early Aviation

Read the Amelia Earhart and Early Aviation Information text below.

#### Who Was Amelia Earhart?

Amelia Jane Earhart is one of America's most well-known pilots.

- She is famous because she was the first female to fly alone across the Atlantic Ocean.
- She went missing on 2nd July 1937 somewhere over the Pacific Ocean. She was attempting to fly solo around the whole world.



#### Her Childhood

- Amelia lived with her father, mother and her younger sister, Muriel. She loved to have adventures such as climbing trees, hunting rats and riding her sledge down hills on her tummy!
- Amelia and Muriel Earhart wore bloomers instead of dresses, which the other girls in the neighbourhood were not allowed to do.





#### Her Big Adventure

- Amelia Earhart was given her first plane ride on 28th December 1920.
- She had her first flying lesson when she was 23 years old.
- In July 1921, she bought her first plane. It was bright yellow and she named it "The Canary".
- In July 1937, Amelia Earhart went missing over Howland Island as she tried to fly around the world.
- A lighthouse was built there to remember her.





#### **Early Aviation Facts**

1783 - The hot air balloon was invented by Montgolfier brothers.



1884 - The first airship was built by Charles Renard and Arthur Krebs.



1903 - The first flight of an aeroplane by Wilbur and Orville Wright.



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• The Wright Brothers







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