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Space Race Vocabulary

This is a Space Race Vocabulary sheet featuring 15 key words that are used in articles and in the study of the Saturn V rocket.

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- **Space Race**
A competition between the United States and the Soviet Union to explore space and achieve important “firsts.”
- **Cold War**
A time of tension between countries where they competed in power and technology without fighting directly in battle.
- **Satellite**
An object that orbits around a planet. Sputnik 1 was the first man-made satellite.
- **Orbit**
The path an object takes as it moves around another object in space, like the Moon orbiting Earth.
- **Astronaut**
A person trained to travel and work in space for the United States.
- **Cosmonaut**
A space traveler from the Soviet Union.
- **Rocket**
A vehicle that uses powerful engines to travel into space.
- **Multi-stage rocket**
A rocket with sections that separate during flight to make it lighter and travel farther.
- **Gravity**
The force that pulls objects toward Earth or another planet.
- **NASA**
NASA, the organization that leads space exploration for the United States.
- **Apollo Missions**
A series of missions by NASA that aimed to land humans on the Moon.
- **Command Module**
The part of the spacecraft where astronauts lived and controlled the mission.
- **Lunar Module**
The part of the spacecraft that landed on the Moon.
- **Launch**
The act of sending a rocket into space.
- **Technology**
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