

## Busy People Astronaut

"There's something intriguing to be learned on practically every page... [How to Astronaut] captures the details of an extraordinary job and turns even the mundane aspects of space travel into something fascinating."—Publishers Weekly Ride shotgun on a trip to space with astronaut Terry Virts. A born storyteller with a gift for the surprising turn of phrase and eye for the perfect you-are-there details, he captures all the highs, lows, humor, and wonder of an experience few will ever know firsthand. Featuring stories covering survival training, space shuttle emergencies, bad bosses, the art of putting on a spacesuit, time travel, and much more!

Astronauts and Their Cats: A Mother and Daughter Astronaut Team, the Immortal Shape-Shifting Space Cats, Snifferu and Whiskers, keep Patches, the Kitten busy in the Intergalactic Cat Club. They make a rather different family household during the day. However, at night, the space station is cat-shadow dark, except for the human's cats that mingle with the shape-shifting immortal space cats that prowl the corridors and live among the rows of computers. They are wannabee free cats who travel onboard the space shuttles. Some, unknown to the space program, aren't even home-grown. "Which cat sprayed gang graffiti on the space shuttle?" A ground controller cat, an orange tabby, studied the photo. "But how did it get there?" He aimed a scowl over his computer at his boss. "Maybe it's a paste-on the astronauts put up to celebrate all those years here," the boss said in a dark-as-coffee voice. The cat's boss hurried to another computer. Patches, the Earth-born part orange tabby, part Siamese cat, formerly a library cat adopted by the ground controller's boss, sniffed with disdain and curled up on top of the main filing cabinet. A computer screen banner reflected bright red in each kitten's cornflower blue eyes. Rows of blinking computers lit up the room everywhere. The controller called in an expert. Every expert in the room studied the graffiti this time through video monitors as they watched the space shuttle. The controller pressed a button on his phone. "I'll call security."

Explains what New Year's Day is, why it is celebrated, and how it is celebrated. Help the busy vet as she listens to buster's heart, gives Carla her medicine and X-rays Bella's leg. With interactive action-flaps, you can do it too!

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Have you ever wondered what it would be like to find yourself strapped to a giant rocket that's about to go from zero to 17,500 miles per hour? Or to look back on Earth from outer space and see the surprisingly precise line between day and night? Or to stand in front of the Hubble Space Telescope, wondering if the emergency repair you're about to make will inadvertently ruin humankind's chance to unlock the universe's secrets? Mike Massimino has been there, and in *Spaceman* he puts you inside the suit, with all the zip and buoyancy of life in microgravity. Massimino's childhood space dreams were born the day Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon. Growing up in a working-class Long Island family, he catapulted himself to

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Columbia and then MIT, only to flunk his first doctoral exam and be rejected three times by NASA before making it through the final round of astronaut selection. Taking us through the surreal wonder and beauty of his first spacewalk, the tragedy of losing friends in the Columbia shuttle accident, and the development of his enduring love for the Hubble Telescope—which he and his fellow astronauts were tasked with saving on his final mission—Massimino has written an ode to never giving up and the power of teamwork to make anything possible.

Spaceman invites us into a rare, wonderful world where science meets the most thrilling adventure, revealing just what having “the right stuff” really means.

Who said women can't go to space? Who said African American women can't? Mae Jamison challenged society when she decided to become an astronaut. Read about her inspiring story through this amazing book for third graders. Go ahead and grab a copy for your child to read today.

Follow Jenny the astronaut as she and her colleague Lei launch into space! What problems will they encounter? Discover the array of problems an astrophysicist encounters as Jenny attempts to fix the broken space station. Step inside the lives of Busy People! Each story focuses on a different character as they go about their daily work. But each day holds a new challenge... Next Steps are included at the back of the book to prompt further discussion and develop vocabulary. More information is provided about the Busy People and the type of equipment they need as well as the characters that work alongside them.

Neil deGrasse Tyson's #1 New York Times best-selling guide to the cosmos, adapted for young readers. From the basics of physics to big questions about the nature of space and time, celebrated astrophysicist and science communicator Neil deGrasse Tyson breaks down the mysteries of the cosmos into bite-sized pieces. *Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry* describes the fundamental rules and unknowns of our universe clearly—and with Tyson's characteristic wit, there's a lot of fun thrown in, too. This adaptation by Gregory Mone includes full-color photos, infographics, and extra explanations to make even the trickiest concepts accessible. Building on the wonder inspired by outer space, *Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry* introduces an exciting field and the principles of scientific inquiry to young readers.

With Rachel Swirles' gorgeous illustrations, this re-telling of much-loved Hans Christian Andersen classic, *The Snow Queen*, promises to take you into a stunningly magical winter wonderland for an adventure you'll never forget. The sole survivor on a desperate, last-chance mission to save both humanity and the earth, Ryland Grace is hurtled into the depths of space when he must conquer an extinction-level threat to our species.

An authorized portrait of the first astronaut to set foot on the moon sheds light on other aspects of his career, from the honors he received as a naval aviator to the price he and his family paid for his professional dedication.

*That's a Job? I Like Being Outdoors* is the perfect guide for children who love the great outdoors and want to know all about what careers they could have.

What's it really like to be an police officer? Find out in this delightful picture book and discover the everyday and extraordinary events of life on a police station. A fun and fascinating first guide to a most exciting and unusual profession.

“Beautifully written, making a prominent figure readily accessible to children.”

-School Library Journal The second picture book from astronaut Scott Kelly follows his adventure-seeking travels through some of the wild places he's slept! Young readers will be delighted by the playful text and encouraging message to dream of the stars. Scott Kelly was born for adventure. But exploring takes a lot of energy--and sleep is the super fuel to turbocharge dreams. Luckily, sleeping can be exciting if you're drifting off in the right place. Scott has fallen asleep at the bottom of the ocean, in the cockpit of an F-14 fighter jet, in a yurt on Mount Everest, and of course in space! Join Scott on his many adventures, and maybe they'll inspire dreams of your own! This sweet and adventurous story is the perfect bedtime tale for future astronauts and adventurers!

What's it like being a vet? Let's find out! Step inside the life of Mike the vet and discover the challenges he faces in his very busy job. From helping a ewe deliver her lamb to examining a dog that needs help, learn about the inspirational life of a vet. An entertaining story following a day in the life of a vet for children aged 4+, with fun illustrations to engage and inspire young readers. Turn to the back of the book for more information about what a vet's job involves, the equipment they need, and the other busy people that work alongside them. The Next Steps include discussion points about the story to prompt further conversation, develop vocabulary, and support comprehension. People who help us, people who care, busy people are everywhere! Encourage the next generation of busy people and learn about a range of careers in this inspiring series for young children. Each story focuses on a different professional as they go about their daily work, exploring what each job involves, why it's important, and how it can be rewarding.

If you enjoyed this book, check out the other titles in the Busy People series:  
Busy People: Astronaut  
Busy People: Builder  
Busy People: Construction Worker  
Busy People: Doctor  
Busy People: Firefighter  
Busy People: Librarian  
Busy People: Police officer  
Busy People: Teacher  
Busy People: Vet

The recent 50th anniversaries of the first human spaceflights by the Soviet Union and the United States, and the 30th anniversary of the launching of the first U.S. Space Shuttle mission, have again brought to mind the pioneering accomplishments of the first quarter century of humans in space. Historians, political scientists and others have extensively examined the technical, programmatic and political history of human spaceflight from the 1960s to the 1980s, but work is only beginning on the social and cultural history of the pioneering era. One rapidly developing area of recent scholarship is the examination of the images of spacefarers in the media, government propaganda and popular culture. How was space travel imagined in the visual media on the cusp of human spaceflights? How were astronauts and cosmonauts represented in official and quasi-official media portraits? And how were those images

reproduced and transformed by in the imagination of film-makers, movie producers, popular writers, and novelists? *Spacefarers* addresses these questions with nine contributions from scholars in the field of aerospace history, Russian and American history, and English literature. These essays are preceded by an introduction by the editor, who discusses their place in the historiography of spaceflight and social and cultural history. The book will have potential appeal to a wide variety of scholars in history, literature and the social sciences and will include a number of striking visual images.

Discusses the requirements for becoming an astronaut.

For readers of Tom Perrotta and Lorrie Moore, these nine unforgettable stories, all set in and around Cape Canaveral, showcase Patrick Ryan's masterly understanding of regret and hope, relationships and family, and the universal longing for love. NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY St. Louis Post Dispatch • Refinery 29 • Electric Literature *The Dream Life of Astronauts* balances heartbreak with wry humor as its characters try to make sense of the paths they find themselves on. A would-be Miss America auditions for a shady local talent scout over vodka and Sunny D; a NASA engineer begins to wonder if the woman he's having an affair with is slowly poisoning her husband; a Boy Scout troop leader, recovering from a stroke, tries to protect one of his scouts from being bullied by his own sons; an ex-mobster living in witness protection feuds with the busybody head of his condo board; a grandmother, sentenced to driver's ed after a traffic accident, surprises herself by falling for her instructor. Set against landmark moments—the first moon launch, Watergate, the Challenger explosion—these private dramas unfurl in startling ways. *The Dream Life of Astronauts* ratifies the emergence of an indelible new talent in fiction. Praise for *The Dream Life of Astronauts* “[Ryan] displays a gift for excavating the dashed hopes and yearnings that lie beneath. He is especially adept at capturing the point of view of children, with a Salingeresque understanding of their alienation, their vulnerability, their keen powers of observation.”—Michiko Kakutani, *The New York Times* “Quietly commanding . . . A wry and smart collection—a beam of intelligent life from an author who clearly likes to probe the outer edges of the familiar.”—Maureen Corrigan, NPR's *Fresh Air* “Ryan is a master of that old-fashioned, captivating storytelling that deceptively reads as effortless. . . . Ryan never actually sends his characters into space; but his orbits of the human heart are enough.”—*The New York Times Book Review* “Ryan brings a wry sense of intimacy to these dreamers who are always searching for a better life, for something new.”—BBC “Patrick Ryan's short stories go down lightly—but that doesn't mean they're lightweight. In the best of them, Ryan's transparent prose and seemingly casual tone sneakily ensnare you in tough moments and wryly rueful deflations of the heart and spirit.”—*The Seattle Times* “You don't have to be a rocket scientist to appreciate this funny collection of stories set around Cape Canaveral. Moon missions and shuttle launches take a backseat to the earthly predicaments faced by the eclectic cast of Boy Scouts, gangsters, grandmothers and beauty queens.”—*The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* “There is humanity and heart in each one of these tales, all rendered with nuance and depth that will leave a mark on your thoughts long past the final pages.”—Refinery29 “Patrick Ryan's characters are people who are a little more beaten down than they know. They are not introspective by default, and yet, due to

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circumstances, they are forced to look into themselves and find something that, in his own phrase, feels like life.”—Literary Hub “The author illuminates [his] characters with pitch-perfect dialogue and period references that capture the various decades in which the stories take place.”—Publishers Weekly

The untold story of a national trauma—NASA’s Challenger explosion—and what really happened to America’s Teacher in Space, illuminating the tragic cost of humanity setting its sight on the stars You’ve seen the pictures. You know what happened. Or do you? On January 28, 1986, NASA’s space shuttle Challenger exploded after blasting off from Cape Canaveral. Christa McAuliffe, America’s “Teacher in Space,” was instantly killed, along with the other six members of the mission. At least that’s what most of us remember. Kevin Cook tells us what really happened on that ill-fated, unforgettable day. He traces the pressures—leading from NASA to the White House—that triggered the fatal order to launch on an ice-cold Florida morning. Cook takes readers inside the shuttle for the agonizing minutes after the explosion, which the astronauts did indeed survive. He uncovers the errors and corner-cutting that led an overconfident space agency to launch a crew that had no chance to escape. But this is more than a corrective to a now-dimming memory. Centering on McAuliffe, a charmingly down-to-earth civilian on the cusp of history, *The Burning Blue* animates a colorful cast of characters: a pair of red-hot flyers at the shuttle’s controls, the second female and first Jewish astronaut, the second Black astronaut, and the first Asian American and Buddhist in space. Drawing vivid portraits of Christa and the astronauts, Cook makes readers forget the fate they’re hurtling toward. With drama, immediacy, and shocking surprises, he reveals the human price the Challenger crew and America paid for politics, capital-P Progress, and the national dream of “reaching for the stars.” Follow Jenny the astronaut as she and her colleague Lei launch into space! What problems will they encounter? Discover the array of problems an astrophysicist encounters as Jenny attempts to fix the broken space station. Step inside the lives of Busy People! Each story focuses on a different character as they go about their daily work. But each day holds a new challenge ... Next Steps are included at the back of the book to prompt further discussion and develop vocabulary. More information is provided about the Busy People and the type of equipment they need as well as the characters that work alongside them.

Do you love animals and dream of working with them when you grow up? If the answer is yes, then this book is for you! In this entertaining and informative book, children who love animals can find out all about the future careers they can choose from. From being a zoo vet, a police dog handler, a marine biologist, a guide dog trainer, to a pet photographer and many more, this book will take you through a day in the life of 25 animal workers, showing you how each job unfolds on a typical working day. You’ll learn what it takes to get the job, what duties and tasks are involved, and discover a world of opportunities. Turn the pages and find out the best part of a pet vet’s day and what really bugs an entomologist... HINT: it involves insects flying up their nose! With a variety of careers covered, from jobs in science, the police, charity and many more, this book is sure to inspire children’s ambitions and get them excited for their futures. Aimed at animal loving readers aged 7 and older the illustrated narrative approach tells the story of each career and helps introduce children to the world of work in a playful, engaging way. When they’ve finished reading, children will have gained an overview of

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each of the featured jobs and will have discovered that you can turn a passion, an interest or a hobby into a rewarding career. If readers want to know more about the opportunities ahead they can check out *That's a Job? I Like Sport*, or *That's a Job? I Like being Outdoors* and discover even more of the world's coolest jobs.

Experience a day in the life of an astronaut! Each story focuses on a different character as they go about their daily work. But each day holds a new challenge for these busy people... Next Steps are included at the back of the book to prompt further discussion and develop vocabulary as well as information about the characters who work alongside the protagonists.

What's it really like to be an astronaut? Find out in this delightful picture book and discover the everyday and extraordinary events of life on a space station. A fun and fascinating first guide to a most exciting and unusual profession. It's a busy day for astronauts Jenny, Chen and Kim. They are going to the space station on an important mission. The crew are there to help them but what is wrong with Robo-bot?

**INSTANT NATIONAL BESTSELLER** An inspirational, uplifting, and life-affirming memoir about passion, resilience, and living life to the fullest, from Dr. Dave Williams, one of Canada's most accomplished astronauts. I had dreamt about becoming an astronaut from the time I watched Alan Shepard launch on the first American sub-orbital flight on May 5, 1961. Eleven days before my seventh birthday, I committed to a new goal: one day, I would fly in outer space. Dr. Dave has led the sort of life that most people only dream of. He has set records for spacewalking. He has lived undersea for weeks at a time. He has saved lives as an emergency doctor, launched into the stratosphere twice, and performed surgery in zero gravity. But if you ask him how he became so accomplished, he'll say: "I'm just a curious kid from Saskatchewan."

Curious indeed. Dr. Dave never lost his desire to explore nor his fascination with the world. Whether he was exploring the woods behind his childhood home or floating in space at the end of the Canadarm, Dave tried to see every moment of his life as filled with beauty and meaning. He learned to scuba dive at only twelve years old, became a doctor despite academic struggles as an undergraduate, and overcame stiff odds and fierce competition to join the ranks of the astronauts he had idolized as a child. There were setbacks and challenges along the way—the loss of friends in the Columbia disaster, a cancer diagnosis that nearly prevented him from returning to space—but through it all, Dave never lost sight of his goal. And when he finally had the chance to fly among the stars, he came to realize that although the destination can be spectacular, it's the journey that truly matters. In *Defying Limits*, Dave shares the events that have defined his life, showing us that whether we're gravity-defying astronauts or earth-bound terrestrials, we can all live an infinite, fulfilled life by relishing the value and importance of each moment. The greatest fear that we all face is not the fear of dying, but the fear of never having lived. Each of us is greater than we believe. And, together, we can exceed our limits to soar farther and higher than we ever imagined.

Discover what a teacher, a doctor, a firefighter and a vet do and how they help the community. Each story focuses on a different character as they go about their daily work. But each day holds a new challenge for these busy people... Next Steps are included at the back of the book to prompt further discussion and develop vocabulary as well as information about the characters who work alongside the protagonists, for example a nurse from the doctor's surgery and the commander at the fire station.

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In The Devotional for Busy People, Gbenga Asedeko shares simple and powerful truth filled with the promises from God's word that will help you to jumpstart your day in less than a minute. We live in a world where many of us are busy doing so many things and investing little or no time in our spiritual lives. Now we have no more excuses. In less than a minute you will connect to the source of life, peace, joy, health, wisdom, protection, freedom, victory, prosperity, breakthrough, righteousness and everything that pertains to life and godliness. The Devotional for Busy People will: Fire you up - It will help you to jump-start your day. Focus - It will help you to focus on what is important. Inspire - It will inspire you to make the most of your day. When you read the devotion for each day with intentionality and pray the prayer for each day with great expectation, before you know it you will begin to see your life and relationships transform, overcome addictions, prosper and live deeply in love with God.

Young readers explore various forms of pollution and how people are cleaning up the environment.

Learn about the holiday of love and find out how people show their affection on this special day. Age-appropriate critical thinking questions help build nonfiction reading skills.

AstronautQED Publishing

Discover a day in the life of an astronaut in this fun and inspiring book for curious little minds. With simple, friendly text and surprise mirror ending!

"An extraordinary delight for a reader of any age." —The New York Times Book Review Brian Floca explores Apollo 11's famed moon landing with this newly expanded edition of Moonshot! Simply told, grandly shown, and now with eight additional pages of brand-new art and more in-depth information about the historic moon landing, here is the flight of Apollo 11. Here for a new generation of readers and explorers are the steady astronauts clicking themselves into gloves and helmets, strapping themselves into sideways seats. Here are their great machines in all their detail and monumentality, the ROAR of rockets, and the silence of the Moon. Here is a story of adventure and discovery—a story of leaving and returning during the summer of 1969, and a story of home, seen whole, from far away.

Featuring more than one hundred jobs, this book gives children a fascinating insight into what grown-ups do all day. Explore fifteen busy scenes set in diverse work places, then turn the page to find out what each person's job entails. Packed with detailed scenes and information, this is a sure-fire instant classic.

This title begins by explaining what COVID-19 is, what social distancing is, what "flattening the curve" means, and how they're all related. It also gives kids fun ways to connect with their friends, extended family members, and neighbors who they likely miss seeing in person. The book gives kids both technology and technology-free options to stay connected with others. Complete with inviting photos and images, bolded glossary terms, and more. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Abdo Kids Jumbo is an imprint of Abdo Kids, a division of ABDO.

A funny and heartwarming middle grade novel about a girl who writes letters to her favorite astronaut as America prepares for the moon landing.

A funny and informative guide to how to become an astronaut, the training you must undertake, how you travel into space and what you do when you're up there. With a foreword from ESA astronaut Tim Peake, the first British astronaut to embark on a mission to the International Space Station. Published in association with the UK Space Agency and the European Space Agency. This is a highly illustrated ebook that can only be read on the Kindle Fire or other tablet. "A fun, fact-packed and practical guide to launching your interstellar career!" - Booktrust "A fascinating guide for budding astronauts." - The Guardian "A perfect fact book for budding space explorers." - The Daily Telegraph "This brilliant guide will tell you everything you need to know about becoming an astronaut and explains what life is like for space explorers. From training tips to spacewalk hints, it's packed with real-life astronaut

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knowledge!" - National Geographic Kids "Utterly essential reading for any would-be astronaut, featuring tons and tons of facts and figures all about space and the people who work, explore and experiment there." - Read it Daddy

How do astronauts prepare for their missions in space? What recent discoveries and innovations have changed how astronauts train? With a focus on STEM, fascinating sidebars, and up-to-date facts, this book delves deep into the world of astronaut training.

Step inside the lives of Busy People. Each story focuses on a different character as they go about their daily work. Each day holds a new challenge ... In this story, Rita the librarian has to organise the library's birthday party, as well as finding the perfect story for each child to enjoy reading. Next Steps are included at the back of the book to prompt further discussion and develop vocabulary. More information is provided about the Busy People and the type of equipment they need as well as the characters that work alongside them.

A #1 New York Times bestseller "This little mouse may well inspire some big dreams." —Kirkus Reviews "In this picture book based on the space shuttle Endeavor...Meteor is one of the smallest mice, but the most hardworking...the values of being small, useful, solving problems, and working hard—as opposed to being big and strong—will inspire young readers." —School Library Journal "Inspired by this real-life mouse, Kelly's first children's book tells the story of Meteor, a lightly anthropomorphized rodent who turns his tininess into an advantage when an important key gets stuck in a crack between two monitors...textured images and vivid portraits that make it absolutely clear that space travel is a larger-than-life adventure." —Publishers Weekly A heartwarming picture book tale of the power of the small, from bestselling author and retired NASA astronaut Commander Mark Kelly. Astronaut Mark Kelly flew with "micetronauts" on his first spaceflight aboard space shuttle Endeavour in 2001. Mousetronaut tells the story of a small mouse that wants nothing more than to travel to outer space. The little mouse works as hard as the bigger mice to show readiness for the mission . . . and is chosen for the flight! While in space, the astronauts are busy with their mission when disaster strikes—and only the smallest member of the crew can save the day. With lively illustrations by award-winning artist C. F. Payne, Mousetronaut is a charming tale of perseverance, courage, and the importance of the small!

"The story of Mike Massimino's life growing up in a working-class family and his determination to get the education and experience that would lead to his challenging but successful rise to become a NASA astronaut"--

If you're like most people, you can't afford to charter a yacht to the Bahamas on a moment's notice, nor can you take a week off work to attend a soul-cleansing spiritual retreat. So how is the busy, everyday, hard-working person supposed to find joy and passion in life? This is exactly the problem that Neil A. Panosian has spent most of his life trying to solve. A bartender and postal worker, the author felt uncomfortable with the rampant negativity in the world today and wanted to turn this discontent into something constructive—something the average person could use to increase their overall happiness, in just a few simple steps. So he started a blog dedicated to his pursuit of positivity, and quickly gained thousands of followers who were also looking for good ideas for improving their lives. Soon, he found that certain small actions were adding up to big rewards, and the rest is history. This fun-to-read book contains the best of the best—tools that can be used quickly and universally to increase joy, whether you're a busy professional, a blue-collar worker, or a single parent doing the best you can with little money or time.

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