

A man in a dark suit and tie stands on a curved, light-colored walkway with a metal railing. The walkway curves away to the left. In the background, there are dark, forested hills under a cloudy, overcast sky. The overall lighting is somewhat dim and has a slightly desaturated, vintage quality. The text 'DR. JOHN FINDLAY' is overlaid in the lower center of the image.

**DR. JOHN FINDLAY**

1  
00:00:21,740 --> 00:00:18,500  
nasa the national aeronautics and space

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00:00:33,799 --> 00:00:21,750  
administration presents aeronautics and

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00:00:36,260 --> 00:00:33,809  
space report 1968 the year of Apollo a

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00:00:38,930 --> 00:00:36,270  
year in which a decade of research and

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00:00:41,060 --> 00:00:38,940  
development began to be realized the

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00:00:43,010 --> 00:00:41,070  
Apollo three-man spacecraft and moon

7  
00:00:51,020 --> 00:00:43,020  
rocket were proved ready for trips to

8  
00:00:56,819 --> 00:00:54,030  
satellites like oh go pioneer and

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00:00:58,740 --> 00:00:56,829  
orbiting astronomical observatory added

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00:01:04,100 --> 00:00:58,750  
a wealth of scientific knowledge about

11  
00:01:08,730 --> 00:01:06,359  
airplanes that take off and land

12  
00:01:11,310 --> 00:01:08,740  
vertically were flight tested as well as

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00:01:15,270 --> 00:01:11,320

planes without wings prototypes of

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00:01:25,680 --> 00:01:15,280

wingless spacecraft of the future these

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00:01:28,350 --> 00:01:25,690

are Aeronautics and Space highlights the

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00:01:30,779 --> 00:01:28,360

moon not nearly as mysterious as it used

17

00:01:36,450 --> 00:01:30,789

to be has been photographed landed on

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00:01:39,090 --> 00:01:36,460

dug into and chemically sampled surveyor

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00:01:42,779 --> 00:01:39,100

7 was the last in a series of unmanned

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00:01:45,059 --> 00:01:42,789

spacecraft to land there reflecting on

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00:01:47,540 --> 00:01:45,069

surveyors contributions dr. William

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00:01:50,490 --> 00:01:47,550

Pickering director NASA's Jet Propulsion

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00:01:52,289 --> 00:01:50,500

Laboratory surveyor accomplished

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00:01:54,270 --> 00:01:52,299

everything that we had hoped for from

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00:01:56,100 --> 00:01:54,280

that mission five out of the seven

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00:01:57,600 --> 00:01:56,110

surveyors which were launched landed

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00:02:00,480 --> 00:01:57,610

successfully on the surface of the Moon

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00:02:03,030 --> 00:02:00,490

and operated on the surface would be

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00:02:06,929 --> 00:02:03,040

severe photographs we were able to show

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00:02:10,009 --> 00:02:06,939

that landing a manned spacecraft on the

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00:02:12,720 --> 00:02:10,019

moon is quite a reasonable undertaking

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00:02:15,000 --> 00:02:12,730

and in fact that the man is will be able

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00:02:17,520 --> 00:02:15,010

to walk on the stuff to the moon without

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00:02:20,460 --> 00:02:17,530

danger of falling through or thinking

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00:02:22,259 --> 00:02:20,470

into the dust at any great depth we were

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00:02:24,330 --> 00:02:22,269

able to measure the bearing strength of

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00:02:26,460 --> 00:02:24,340

surface we were able to get the general

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00:02:29,009 --> 00:02:26,470

appearance of the surface to point out

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00:02:30,990 --> 00:02:29,019

for seven that in certain areas of the

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00:02:33,210 --> 00:02:31,000

moon at least there were not very many

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00:02:36,120 --> 00:02:33,220

large rocks which has to be contended

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00:02:38,849 --> 00:02:36,130

with but there were of course numerous

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00:02:41,370 --> 00:02:38,859

smaller and smaller craters we also

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00:02:43,470 --> 00:02:41,380

found the first chemical analysis of the

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00:02:45,960 --> 00:02:43,480

first of the moon by Professor perkovic

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00:02:48,509 --> 00:02:45,970

his experiment and this showed that in

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00:02:50,940 --> 00:02:48,519

the areas that we landed the rock or the

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00:02:54,509 --> 00:02:50,950

surface material rather was very similar

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00:02:56,550 --> 00:02:54,519

to a basalt here on the earth we were

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00:02:58,120 --> 00:02:56,560

also able to dig in the surface and get

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00:03:01,000 --> 00:02:58,130

an idea of the

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00:03:04,030 --> 00:03:01,010

of the feel of the surface as we went

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00:03:07,960 --> 00:03:04,040

down a little bit below the surface for

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00:03:15,940 --> 00:03:07,970

a matter of a few inches the material is

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00:03:18,160 --> 00:03:15,950

very much like a soft fan to begin JPL

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00:03:22,000 --> 00:03:18,170

is also applying its scientific know-how

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00:03:24,790 --> 00:03:22,010

to Mars flying by initially landing and

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00:03:26,980 --> 00:03:24,800

testing in the future the experimental

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00:03:29,290 --> 00:03:26,990

model of a wheel shaped planetary

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00:03:35,190 --> 00:03:29,300

landing craft is one of several Landers

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00:03:40,209 --> 00:03:37,660

in an effort to learn more about the

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00:03:42,280 --> 00:03:40,219

possibility of life on Mars the lab

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00:03:44,679 --> 00:03:42,290

again sent a scientific team to the

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00:03:47,080 --> 00:03:44,689

Antarctic carefully collected soil

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00:03:49,300 --> 00:03:47,090

samples in this and other desert areas

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00:03:55,660 --> 00:03:49,310

were returned and subjected to rigorous

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00:03:58,270 --> 00:03:55,670

analysis the Sun seething and turbulent

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00:04:00,339 --> 00:03:58,280

affecting every living thing on earth by

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00:04:03,280 --> 00:04:00,349

studying it we can learn more about our

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00:04:06,039 --> 00:04:03,290

own environment interplanetary Pioneer

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00:04:09,670 --> 00:04:06,049

spacecraft are doing just that 2 were

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00:04:12,399 --> 00:04:09,680

launched in 1968 at one point in their

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00:04:15,460 --> 00:04:12,409

voyage millions of miles into space they

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00:04:17,259 --> 00:04:15,470

passed directly behind the Sun the data

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00:04:19,689 --> 00:04:17,269

being returned is helping improve

76  
00:04:22,270 --> 00:04:19,699  
weather forecasting and adding a measure

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00:04:29,920 --> 00:04:22,280  
of protection to Mumbai last Ranaut's by

78  
00:04:35,180 --> 00:04:32,540  
also helping us learn more about the

79  
00:04:38,689 --> 00:04:35,190  
earth's environment orbiting geophysical

80  
00:04:40,640 --> 00:04:38,699  
Observatory oh go 5 by studying such

81  
00:04:43,430 --> 00:04:40,650  
things as our magnetic field and

82  
00:04:46,279 --> 00:04:43,440  
radiation belt solar flares and solar

83  
00:04:52,360 --> 00:04:46,289  
wind we gain new insight into the

84  
00:04:58,340 --> 00:04:56,450  
some 454 relatively small sounding

85  
00:05:00,770 --> 00:04:58,350  
rockets probed into the region below

86  
00:05:02,719 --> 00:05:00,780  
where satellites operate giving a

87  
00:05:10,790 --> 00:05:02,729  
detailed scientific picture of the

88  
00:05:13,939 --> 00:05:10,800

## Earth's lower and upper atmosphere Radio

89

00:05:18,650 --> 00:05:13,949

Astronomy Explorer one of five Explorer

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00:05:20,900 --> 00:05:18,660

type spacecraft launched here dr. John

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00:05:24,650 --> 00:05:20,910

Findlay chairman us lunar and planetary

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00:05:26,390 --> 00:05:24,660

missions board explains its job an

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00:05:28,490 --> 00:05:26,400

important project of the offices of

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00:05:30,740 --> 00:05:28,500

space science and applications this year

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00:05:33,529 --> 00:05:30,750

is the radio astronomy Explorer

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00:05:35,840 --> 00:05:33,539

satellite while gran based radio

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00:05:38,300 --> 00:05:35,850

telescopes such as this hundred and

98

00:05:40,760 --> 00:05:38,310

forty foot instrument can observe at the

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00:05:43,339 --> 00:05:40,770

short radio wavelengths the radio

100

00:05:45,650 --> 00:05:43,349

astronomy Explorer will make its

101  
00:05:48,439 --> 00:05:45,660  
measurements at wavelengths of several

102  
00:05:52,430 --> 00:05:48,449  
hundred meters in fact beyond the edge

103  
00:05:55,159 --> 00:05:52,440  
of the radio window from the results of

104  
00:05:58,129 --> 00:05:55,169  
this satellite we shall make maps of the

105  
00:06:01,570 --> 00:05:58,139  
brightness of the radio sky and these

106  
00:06:06,950 --> 00:06:01,580  
will help us find out how our own galaxy

107  
00:06:08,240 --> 00:06:06,960  
generates and radiates radio waves the

108  
00:06:11,659 --> 00:06:08,250  
heaviest and most sophisticated

109  
00:06:14,210 --> 00:06:11,669  
satellite to be launched in 1968 was the

110  
00:06:18,680 --> 00:06:14,220  
orbiting astronomical observatory oh eh

111  
00:06:21,170 --> 00:06:18,690  
oh the Earth's atmosphere limits and

112  
00:06:24,830 --> 00:06:21,180  
distorts the Stars viewed by astronomers

113  
00:06:28,010 --> 00:06:24,840

from the ground but oao rises above all

114

00:06:30,110 --> 00:06:28,020

this it's eleven telescopes are viewing

115

00:06:32,990 --> 00:06:30,120

the stars with a clarity never before

116

00:06:35,089 --> 00:06:33,000

possible mapping the skies and providing

117

00:06:40,140 --> 00:06:35,099

a better understanding of the origin of

118

00:06:45,670 --> 00:06:43,180

shortly after launch nimbus be an

119

00:06:47,710 --> 00:06:45,680

experimental weather satellite plunged

120

00:06:49,600 --> 00:06:47,720

into the Pacific just off the coast of

121

00:06:52,899 --> 00:06:49,610

California when a gyroscope

122

00:06:55,059 --> 00:06:52,909

malfunctioned divers recovered two

123

00:07:00,189 --> 00:06:55,069

valuable nuclear powered generators

124

00:07:02,529 --> 00:07:00,199

about 300 feet down advanced research

125

00:07:06,339 --> 00:07:02,539

and technology moved ahead on many

126  
00:07:08,950 --> 00:07:06,349  
fronts in 1968 the wingless HL 10

127  
00:07:12,580 --> 00:07:08,960  
lifting body made 13 flights including

128  
00:07:14,740 --> 00:07:12,590  
two with sustained rocket propulsion the

129  
00:07:17,020 --> 00:07:14,750  
flatiron shaped craft gets its

130  
00:07:20,290 --> 00:07:17,030  
aerodynamic lift from the wingless body

131  
00:07:22,360 --> 00:07:20,300  
shape lifting bodies show promise as

132  
00:07:24,490 --> 00:07:22,370  
reusable spacecraft of the future

133  
00:07:30,670 --> 00:07:24,500  
spacecraft that can land like

134  
00:07:33,430 --> 00:07:30,680  
conventional airplanes after nine years

135  
00:07:36,279 --> 00:07:33,440  
and nearly 200 flights to the edge of

136  
00:07:38,830 --> 00:07:36,289  
space the rocket-powered x-15 program

137  
00:07:42,459 --> 00:07:38,840  
was brought to a close with eight final

138  
00:07:45,519 --> 00:07:42,469

flights in 1968 the half claimed half

139

00:07:48,129 --> 00:07:45,529

rocket x-15 has been a unique flying

140

00:07:58,880 --> 00:07:48,139

testbed for researching aeronautics and

141

00:08:05,430 --> 00:08:02,670

the giant xb-70 flying at three times

142

00:08:07,770 --> 00:08:05,440

the speed of sound made 13 research

143

00:08:14,270 --> 00:08:07,780

flights gathering data for use in the

144

00:08:19,560 --> 00:08:17,400

NASA also conducted extensive flight

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00:08:22,380 --> 00:08:19,570

studies on several types of vertical

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00:08:24,510 --> 00:08:22,390

takeoff and landing planes feet tall as

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00:08:26,700 --> 00:08:24,520

they are called our craft that can rise

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00:08:30,300 --> 00:08:26,710

vertically then fly forward like any

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00:08:33,000 --> 00:08:30,310

other airplane V tall's may one day be

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00:08:40,440 --> 00:08:33,010

used as intercity transports improving

151  
00:08:42,390 --> 00:08:40,450  
short haul air transportation much

152  
00:08:45,360 --> 00:08:42,400  
aeronautical research is done with

153  
00:08:47,100 --> 00:08:45,370  
models in this particular test a highly

154  
00:08:49,920 --> 00:08:47,110  
instrumented model is dropped from a

155  
00:08:52,740 --> 00:08:49,930  
helicopter then flown by radio control

156  
00:08:54,810 --> 00:08:52,750  
from the ground this type of study makes

157  
00:09:02,189 --> 00:08:54,820  
the most rigorous tests possible without

158  
00:09:07,660 --> 00:09:05,139  
jet aircraft noise is a continuing

159  
00:09:10,179 --> 00:09:07,670  
national problem nASA has been attacking

160  
00:09:12,429 --> 00:09:10,189  
the problem in two ways first by

161  
00:09:14,979 --> 00:09:12,439  
attempting to design a new quieter

162  
00:09:20,829 --> 00:09:14,989  
engine and second by modifying existing

163  
00:09:22,929 --> 00:09:20,839

engine so they make less noise on this

164

00:09:25,239 --> 00:09:22,939

plane engineers at the Lewis Research

165

00:09:27,429 --> 00:09:25,249

Center in Cleveland are trying out

166

00:09:29,049 --> 00:09:27,439

various engine modifications to

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00:09:35,949 --> 00:09:29,059

determine the effect on the planes

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00:09:38,199 --> 00:09:35,959

performance it has been found that by

169

00:09:40,989 --> 00:09:38,209

cutting grooves in airport runways

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00:09:43,179 --> 00:09:40,999

planes landing on rain-soaked surfaces

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00:09:46,809 --> 00:09:43,189

can land with less chance of skidding

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00:09:50,289 --> 00:09:46,819

and stop easier these studies were

173

00:09:51,819 --> 00:09:50,299

continued in 1968 some of the braking

174

00:09:54,009 --> 00:09:51,829

tests were made with specially

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00:09:56,619 --> 00:09:54,019

instrumented cars on the groove runways

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00:09:58,989 --> 00:09:56,629

the results now appear to have

177

00:10:03,960 --> 00:09:58,999

application to highways as well as

178

00:10:09,519 --> 00:10:06,220

at the nuclear rocket development

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00:10:10,920 --> 00:10:09,529

station in Nevada NASA in cooperation

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00:10:13,780 --> 00:10:10,930

with the Atomic Energy Commission

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00:10:16,180 --> 00:10:13,790

test-fired a powerful nuclear rocket

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00:10:18,490 --> 00:10:16,190

reactor the tests are part of an effort

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00:10:25,750 --> 00:10:18,500

to develop nuclear powered rockets for

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00:10:28,600 --> 00:10:25,760

future deep space exploration Apollo can

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00:10:30,850 --> 00:10:28,610

be likened to a finely tuned watch men

186

00:10:33,280 --> 00:10:30,860

and space machines are perfected to the

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00:10:36,069 --> 00:10:33,290

highest degree possible in most cases

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00:10:38,439 --> 00:10:36,079

the astronauts who fly the spacecraft

189

00:10:40,210 --> 00:10:38,449

trained separately but concurrent with

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00:10:42,879 --> 00:10:40,220

the build-up and development of the

191

00:10:45,430 --> 00:10:42,889

space machines themselves when brought

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00:10:48,579 --> 00:10:45,440

together they must mesh smoothly there

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00:10:51,189 --> 00:10:48,589

is little room for error Apollo is like

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00:10:55,480 --> 00:10:51,199

this and the men who fly and the men who

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00:10:59,860 --> 00:10:55,490

build know it there were four Apollo

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00:11:01,810 --> 00:10:59,870

flights in 1968 two unmanned two men all

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00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:01,820

part of the preparation for moon

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00:11:10,300 --> 00:11:07,760

landings Apollo 5 sent aloft to check

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00:11:12,730 --> 00:11:10,310

out the lunar module it is in a lunar

200

00:11:15,550 --> 00:11:12,740

module that two astronauts will land and

201  
00:11:17,829 --> 00:11:15,560  
take off from the moon both the descent

202  
00:11:20,170 --> 00:11:17,839  
engine used to slow the spacecraft for

203  
00:11:22,389 --> 00:11:20,180  
the landing and the ascent engine which

204  
00:11:28,960 --> 00:11:22,399  
will boost the pair off the moon were

205  
00:11:30,519 --> 00:11:28,970  
successfully tested to further ready the

206  
00:11:33,280 --> 00:11:30,529  
Saturn five rocket and its many

207  
00:11:36,939 --> 00:11:33,290  
components the unmanned apollo 6 was

208  
00:11:39,220 --> 00:11:36,949  
launched into Earth orbit engineering

209  
00:11:42,280 --> 00:11:39,230  
cameras onboard recorded the first stage

210  
00:11:45,040 --> 00:11:42,290  
& interstate separations after 10 hours

211  
00:11:46,590 --> 00:11:45,050  
in space the command module was rammed

212  
00:11:49,449 --> 00:11:46,600  
back into the Earth's atmosphere

213  
00:11:55,070 --> 00:11:49,459

simulating a lunar return another

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00:12:01,200 --> 00:11:58,230

the next step check out the spacecraft

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00:12:03,270 --> 00:12:01,210

with men aboard here astronaut Shara

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00:12:05,190 --> 00:12:03,280

cunningham and isley move about

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00:12:10,100 --> 00:12:05,200

weightlessly in their Apollo 7

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00:12:14,819 --> 00:12:12,840

this was also the first full dress

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00:12:17,879 --> 00:12:14,829

rehearsal for the manned space flight

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00:12:20,150 --> 00:12:17,889

tracking network 14 ground stations

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00:12:23,519 --> 00:12:20,160

located in such places as Bermuda

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00:12:25,740 --> 00:12:23,529

Australia Spain and Hawaii together with

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00:12:28,170 --> 00:12:25,750

planes and tracking ships kept a

224

00:12:32,639 --> 00:12:28,180

constant electronic ear tuned to the

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00:12:35,819 --> 00:12:32,649

Apollo spacecraft after ten days and 163

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00:12:38,370 --> 00:12:35,829

revolutions Apollo 7 splashed down in

227

00:12:40,350 --> 00:12:38,380

the Pacific paving the way for the first

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00:12:49,259 --> 00:12:40,360

half million mile journey to the moon

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00:12:51,360 --> 00:12:49,269

and back from launch complex 39a at

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00:12:53,850 --> 00:12:51,370

Kennedy Space Center the Saturn five

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00:12:56,250 --> 00:12:53,860

rocket boosted Apollo 8 astronauts

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00:12:58,800 --> 00:12:56,260

Borman Lovell and Anders toward their

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00:13:01,050 --> 00:12:58,810

rendezvous with the moon the first time

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00:13:04,860 --> 00:13:01,060

the big rocket was flown with men as

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00:13:06,900 --> 00:13:04,870

passengers while enroute the crew kept

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00:13:08,970 --> 00:13:06,910

busy checking and double-checking all

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00:13:11,460 --> 00:13:08,980

systems as they sped toward the moon

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00:13:13,939 --> 00:13:11,470

many of the things they did will have a

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00:13:17,579 --> 00:13:13,949

direct bearing on future lunar missions

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00:13:20,220 --> 00:13:17,589

nearly three days and 230,000 miles

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00:13:22,439 --> 00:13:20,230

later the crew of Apollo 8 fired their

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00:13:26,380 --> 00:13:22,449

rocket engine placing them in lunar

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00:13:31,450 --> 00:13:29,020

here are some of the views recorded by

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00:13:34,660 --> 00:13:31,460

the crew as they orbited the moon 10 \*

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00:13:37,420 --> 00:13:34,670

views from afar and close up showing

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00:13:44,770 --> 00:13:37,430

remarkable detail the kind of detail

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00:13:54,560 --> 00:13:47,480

then the cameras and spacecraft were

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00:13:57,170 --> 00:13:54,570

turned toward earth and after three days

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00:13:59,510 --> 00:13:57,180

in the fiery re-entry landed in the

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00:14:06,940 --> 00:13:59,520

Pacific within sight of the recovery

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00:14:12,680 --> 00:14:09,890

Apollo 8 final flight of the Year

252

00:14:15,380 --> 00:14:12,690

historic prelude to lunar landings and

253

00:14:25,940 --> 00:14:15,390

to the peaceful exploration of space in

254

00:14:28,610 --> 00:14:25,950

the future this has been an aeronautics

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00:14:30,260 --> 00:14:28,620

and space report presented by nasa the