

Landing on the Moon

Discussion points and questions to use during shared reading

16 July 1969

- Compare the ordinariness of the early morning preparation to the things the astronauts would do after blast off. Discuss how the astronauts might have felt.
- Why do you think the crew trained for months before the mission?
- Why do you think people waited on the beaches and roads around the space station?

21 July 1969

- What do you think the crew had to do to get ready for the Moon landing?
- Who do you think had the most important job on the mission: the mission control in Houston; the astronauts that walked on the Moon or the astronaut that stayed in the command module?
- Why did the astronauts on the Moon make notes and collect samples?

24 July 1969

- Why do you think the return to Earth landing was in the sea and not on land?
- Why did the President welcome them home?

