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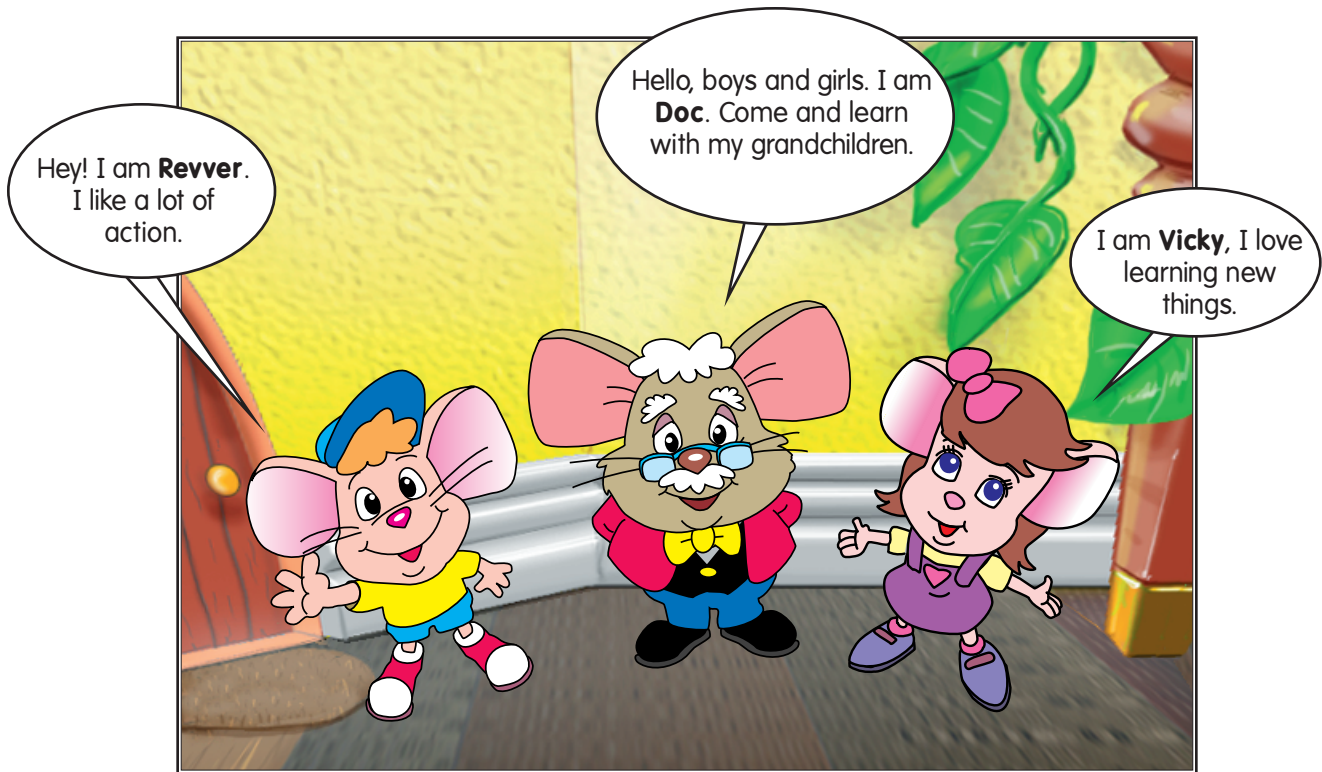
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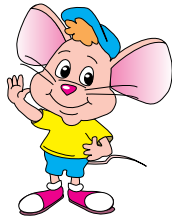
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Learn with our friends:



When you see me, I will help your teacher explain the exciting things you are expected to do.



When you do actions with me, you will learn how to write, draw, match words, read, and much more.



You and I will learn about matching words, listening, drawing, and other fun things in your lessons.

FLORIDA, GATEWAY TO SPACE

Look at the map of the United States. All states have their own shape. You have studied about many states. Now you will learn about a state that is very special. This state has an unusual shape. It looks like a finger pointing out into the water. To the west of the state is the Gulf of Mexico; to the east is the Atlantic Ocean. The states of Alabama and Georgia are to the north. This state is Florida. Florida is an interesting state and it is also the home of a special space community.

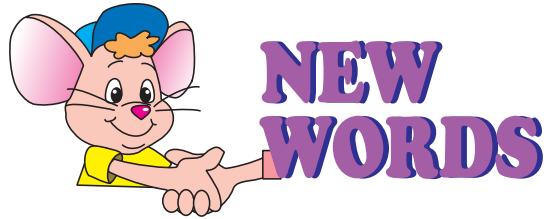


Objectives

Read these objectives. They tell you what you will be able to do when you have finished this LIFEPAC®.

1. You will be able to tell some facts about the state of Florida.
2. You will be able to tell about the work being done at the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral.
3. You will be able to tell about the jobs of different workers in a space community.
4. You will be able to tell about the first flights and the first men in space.

My name is _____



antennas (an ten' uz). Metal wires or rods that receive or bring in electrical waves.

astronaut (as'tru nô't). A person who travels in space.

birds (bêrdz). A name for rockets.

blockhouse (blok' hous). A safe place away from the rocket blast-off.

broadcast (brôd' cast). Signals sent by radio or television to many stations.

citrus (sit' rus). Fruit; oranges, lemons, or limes.

command ship (ku mand' ship). Place where orders are given.

computer (kum pyü' tur). A machine that can store many facts and that can figure out problems quickly.

engineer (en ju nir'). A person who plans buildings and engines.

event (i vent'). Something important that happens.

explosive (ek splô' siv). Something that can blow up.

failed (fâld). Did not work right.

fireworks (fîr' wêrks.) Special rockets used on the Fourth of July.

flight (flît). A ride in an airplane or rocket.

fuel (fyü' ul). Anything that can be burned for heat or to make something go.

gantry (gan'trē). A frame that moves.

launch (lônch). To start or get going.

missiles (mis' ulz). Rockets aimed at a place or thing.

motto (mot' ō). A saying that tells what someone thinks or believes.

plot (plot). To set a path for something.

satellite (sat' u līt.) Something shot into space to go around on an even course.

solar system (sō lur sis' tum). Sun with the planets that go around it.

space capsule (spās kap' sul). The part of a rocket where the astronauts ride.

spacecraft (spās kraft). Manned or unmanned rocket used to go into space.

swamp (swomp). Wet, soft land.

technician (tek nish' un). Person who does a special job.

trust (trust). To believe that someone is good, fair, and true.

universe (yü' nu vèrs). All of creation.

voyage (voi' ij). A trip.

These words will appear in **boldface** (darker print) the first time they are used.

Pronunciation Key: hat, āge, cāre, fār; let, ēqual, tērm; it, ĩce; hot, ōpen, ōrder; oil; out; cup, pūt, rüle; child; long; thin; /TH/ for then; /zh/ for measure; /u/ represents /a/ in about, /e/ in taken, /o/ in lemon, and /u/ in circus.

I. CAPE KENNEDY, A SPACE COMMUNITY

You will read about the state of Florida in this LIFE PAC®. In this section you will learn some interesting facts about Florida. You will find out why a space center was built in Florida. This space center is very important to the United States. You will learn about the workers and their important jobs at the space center.



Florida, Gateway to Space