

Tim Peake - A Different Life in Space

Child Hood

Jim Peake, was born in Chichester, 7th of April 1972. His full name is Timothy Nigel Peake. He also has an older sister named Angela, his mother was a midwife and his father was a journalist. He was interested in historical aircraft, and went with his father to airshows. Peake went to Chichester High School for boys in 1983. Later left to enrol at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst in 1990.

Early Years

Tim joined the army in the 1990's, and trained to be a pilot, eventually becoming a pilot and flying a range of helicopters and aircraft. In the War, his role was the active service (Dalkans). After finishing this, he was in the Military for 18 years. 2005 - he trained to become an instructor - he joined the prestigious Empire Test Pilot School. He completed a degree in Flight Dynamics and Evaluation from the University of Portsmouth. After that, he flew Apache helicopters in Texas for the US. When he got back, he helped to contribute to the training programme for Apache helicopters in the UK.

Who is this astronaut?

Have you ever Ever dreamed and turned his man became in space for first launched (International Space Station) on the 15th December a Russian Soyuz Kazakhstan. 43 years old, children. He for 17 years and then a lived aboard Space Station conducting gravity. Whilst used the gym to keep his

wanted to fly in space? of it? Well this man has dream into reality. This the first ever astronaut over 20 years when he off for the ISS, Space Station) on the 2015. He blasted off in rocket launched from Baikonaur. Today, he is and married with two served in the Army as a platoon commander helicopter pilot. He the International Space Station for 6 months experiments in micro on board, Tim Peake that was on-board muscles strong.



Later Life

In 2008, Tim Peake noticed that the ESA (European Space Agency) were advertising for astronauts. This was the moment when Tim Peake's career changed from being in the Armed forces to becoming an astronaut. He thought this was a once in a lifetime opportunity. When he applied, he had all the necessary qualifications and flying experience. Apart from him, 8000 others applied.

After he had applied, Tim Peake had to sit many exams to test his intelligence, memory skill, spatial awareness and concentration. When all of the candidates (9000) had their results, it had narrowed down to 10 - Tim had made it. Couple weeks later, Tim got a call from the ESA - he had made it to the final 6. Later, he went to train to become an astronaut at the Astronauts Corps in Cologne, in Germany. From training, he has learnt lots of new skills, how to speak Russian, and how to do CPR...



Space Mission on the International Space Station (ISS).

On 15th December 2015, at 11.03am, Tim Peake, Yuri Malenchenko and Tim Kopra launched into space, and reached ISS (International Space Station) at 5.33pm. After landing on the ISS, he became the first British ESA member to go aboard the International Space Station (ISS). Tim Peake spent 6 months living and working in space. He was also the first ever person to do a space walk. Very impressively, he travelled 50m in space to complete maintenance work, also completing The London Marathon on the treadmill in space. When returning back to Earth, they had to dock manually instead of using the computer. This took 2 hours. There appeared via a video link at the Brits award...

On 18th June 2016, Tim Peake, Yuri Malenchenko and Tim Kopra ~~launched into space~~ and reached Earth safely. Tim travelled in the Soyuz Capsule and landed in Kazakhstan at 9.15am. Tim Peake, whilst in space, made 3000 orbits of the Earth. After the landing, it took him 2 months for ~~the~~ his body to recover from the effects of zero gravity...

A Career to Remember

Tim Peake had an amazing career. Ever since he ~~has~~ was a child, he loved aircraft and always dreamed of being an astronaut.

He would always go to airshows with his father because he was passionate about space. Later in his life, he became a pilot, and his training as a pilot in the military gave him the skills, qualifications and experience he needed. After seeing an online advert, he took the opportunity with the ESA, he thought it was a 'one in a lifetime' experience. Around 8000 people applied with him, which made him compete against thousands. After making it to the last 10, and then to the last 6, and then to the last four, he realised that he had made it, and that he was living the dream after all. When arriving at the ISS, he was most definitely the first British astronaut to go to the ISS. When he had made the great mission, he had inspired many by his achievements. Today, he is busy working as Astronaut Operations Team Lead at the European Astronaut Centre (EAC) in Cologne, Germany...