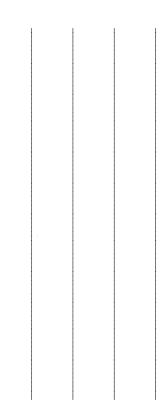
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## HISTORY MYSTERY

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What do you think happened to Amelia Earhart's plane?



## Earhart Amelia

1897-1937

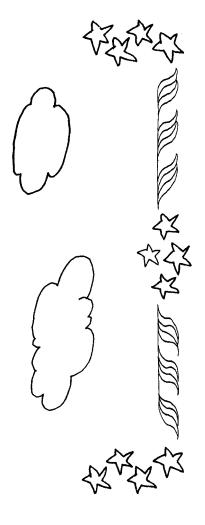
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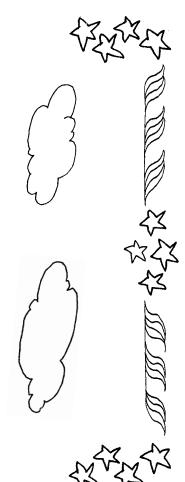


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Amelia Mary Earhart was born in Atchison, Kansas in 1897. She and her family lived with her grandparents for most of her childhood. Her grandparents were very wealthy and she attended private schools. During the First World War, she trained as a nurse's aid. She served as a nurse until the end of the war.

Soon after the war ended, her father took her for her first flight in an airplane. Later, she enjoyed flying so much she began taking flying lessons and bought her own plane, "The Canary." She became a social worker and saved money for building her own landing strip for her plane.

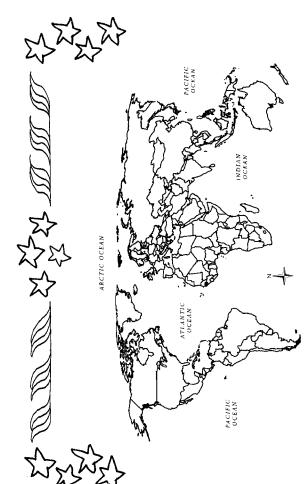
Amelia Earhart liked to try things that many other men and women would be afraid to do. In 1928, she was the first woman to travel over the Atlantic Ocean in an airplane. Airplanes had only been invented a few years before, and few people went on long flights. This flight took 20 hours and 40 minutes. Amelia Earhart became famous

## Did You Know...

☆ When Amelia Earhart was little, her nickname was Millie.

The first time she saw an airplane, she was 10. She thought it looked like it was made of rusty wire and wood. She did not think it was very interesting!

She drove her bright yellow car from California to Boston!

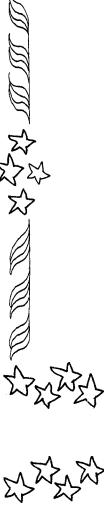


During her trip around the world, Amelia Earhart flew to five continents. Can you name them?

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for this daring feat.

To encourage more women to learn to fly, she organized a cross-country race for airplanes piloted by women. She called it the Powder-Puff Derby. Ninety-nine women took part in the race. These independent women formed a now-famous group called the Ninety-Nines.

Amelia Earhart continued to have adventures. She was the first person to fly over both the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean, and flew faster than any other woman. She piloted a plane from Hawaii to the United States mainland.

In 1937, Amelia Earhart took on her most daring adventure yet. She decided to fly around the world. She set off on her journey and flew 22,000 miles. Suddenly, over the ocean her plane disappeared. Amelia Earhart and her plane have never been found, but she is remembered as a brave adventurer.





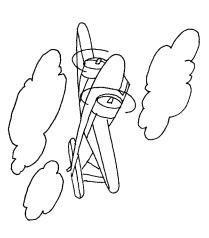




## AMELIA EARHART

(sing to the tune of "Twinkle, Twinkle")

Amelia Earhart flew the skies
Breaking records way up high.
Cross Atlantic's ocean blue
Flew across Pacific, too.
Around the world was her last flight,
When her plane dropped out of sight.



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If you could fly anywhere in an airplane, where would you go?	
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