

# MISSION TO MARS

Learn what it takes to live in space!



## Free Science Learning for Teens

Ages: 12-18

Dates: 3 September – 10 October 2025

### What's included?

- 2+ hours of high-quality **interactive, curriculum-aligned content**
- Designed for **independent learning** - in class or at home
- Full **educator support** provided: lesson plans, extension activities and student projects

Try it for yourself!  



### Why Take Part?

- **Real-world learning** that connects science, sustainability, and systems thinking
- **Flexible & student-led** — works in class, at home, or in enrichment programs
- **Fully resourced** with TV-quality videos, interactive quizzes & project challenges
- **Earn rewards** — collect Yakka (digital currency), credentials & unlock exclusive events

### The Prize: **LIVE Q&A with Astronauts**

Complete the Mission to Mars units, earn your credential, and unlock a LIVE webinar with real astronauts — coming November 2025.



### World Space Week is coming soon!

Join 14,000+ schools for the world's biggest space celebration. Mission to Mars is your perfect prep — complete the credential by 10 October to take part.

**Register your school now**  

### Unit 1: Life in the Universe

*Exploring the origins of life and planetary science.*

Investigate how our solar system formed and why Earth became the perfect place for life. Through planetary science & astrobiology, consider the question: Are we alone in the universe?

#### Key topics:

- The Goldilocks Zone – why Earth is “just right” for life
- Earth’s atmosphere: our protective “spacesuit”
- How stars and gravity shape planetary systems
- The 4.5-billion-year timeline of life on Earth
- Searching for exoplanets – how scientists look for life beyond
- Voyager’s journey and Earth’s “cosmic address”
- The Fermi Paradox vs. the Drake Equation – what are the odds we’re alone?

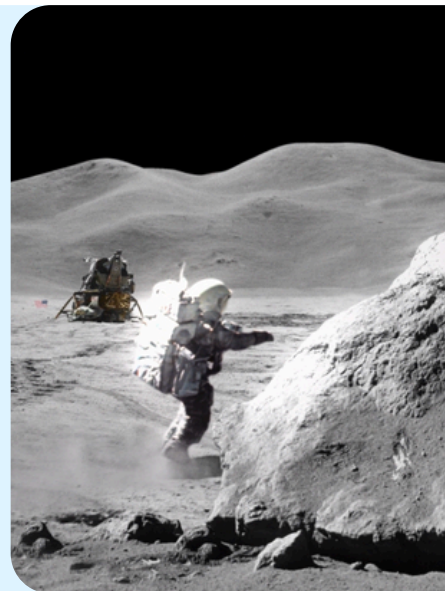
### Unit 2: Space Exploration

*The past, present, and future of humanity in space*

Trace the journey from the Cold War to modern global cooperation. Explore how we got to the Moon, what life is like in orbit, and where we’re heading next.

#### Key topics:

- The Space Race: from Sputnik to the Moon landing
- The speed and science of leaving Earth’s gravity
- The ISS: international cooperation in action
- Life in space – daily routines, risks, and rewards
- The rise of private space travel and emerging space laws



### Unit 3: Living in Space

*Designing a sustainable mission to Mars*

Plan your Mars Mission using guidance from NASA experts. Explore what it takes to live off-Earth and apply critical thinking and problem-solving to real-world survival challenges.

#### Key topics:

- Mission briefing: meet real astronauts, scientists & engineers
- Habitat Design – how to live and work on Mars
- Scientific Research – what we can learn from the Red Planet
- Resource Management – food, water, energy, and sustainability
- Launch, landing & life support – preparing for the unknown

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