

A journey into space

1. Getting the rocket ready

I put on my **big white spacesuit**. It feels **puffy and heavy**, like wearing a thick coat made of pillows! I can hear a **soft whooshing sound** from my air tank as I breathe. Outside, the rocket stands **tall and shiny**, pointing up to the sky. People are checking buttons and screens. I can smell **clean metal and fuel**. My heart beats fast – I feel excited and a little bit nervous too.

2. Blast off!

I sit tight in my seat and strap myself in.

“**10... 9... 8...**”

The rocket begins to **rumble and shake**. It gets louder and louder!

“**3... 2... 1... BLAST OFF!**”

BOOOOM! The engines roar like **giant dragons**. I feel myself being **pushed back in my seat** as the rocket lifts off the ground and zooms into the sky!

3. Flying into the sky

The rocket races upwards through the clouds. Outside my window, I see **white clouds rush past** and the **blue sky turn darker**.

My body feels **very heavy**, like a giant is pressing me down. The noise is loud, but soon it gets quieter. Suddenly, the shaking stops. We have reached space!

4. Floating in space

Now something amazing happens... I start to **float**!

There is **no up and no down**. I gently drift like a balloon. My pencil floats away if I let go! Outside the window, the Earth looks **round and colourful**, with blue seas and green land. Space is **very quiet** and **very dark**, with tiny, twinkling stars. I feel calm, proud, and amazed.

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5. Returning to earth

It is time to go home.

The spacecraft turns around and heads back towards Earth. As we enter the atmosphere, the ship begins to **shake again**.

I can hear **crackling noises** and feel the heat shield protecting us. Outside, bright **orange flames** flash past the window. I grip my seat and wait.

6. Splashdown in the ocean

SPLASH!

We land gently in the **big blue ocean**. The capsule bobs up and down on the waves.

Everything is quiet again.

I smile inside my helmet. I did it! I travelled to space and back safely.

Soon, boats come to collect us. I step out, feeling tired but happy, ready to tell everyone about my **amazing space adventure**.