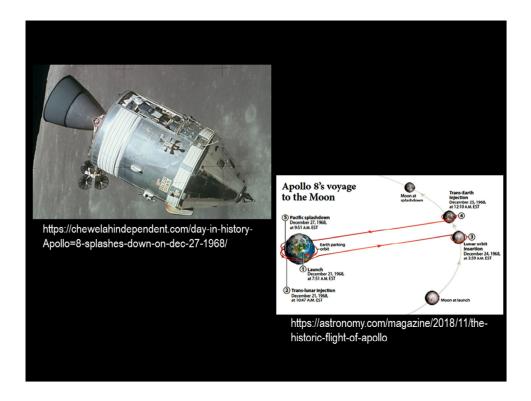


- This is the image taken in 1968, famously known as "Earthrise."
- It is perhaps the most transformative photograph ever taken.



- It occurred during the Apollo 8 mission on December 24, 1968.
- This mission was the first time that humans had travelled this far away from Earth.



- We've become so familiar with images like this that they are even taken-forgranted.
- We just simply assume that this is the way the world is.
- But it wasn't always so.
- It's easy to forget it has been barely one generation, little more than fifty years, since humans first obtained this perspective of the Earth.



- This is a quote by William Anders who was the astronaut who took the photo.
- We often don't realize how revolutionary this image was. It was the first image of Earth hanging in the blackness of space.
- This was the first time that it really sunk in to people that the Earth is our temporal home and that we are not leaving it anytime soon.
- This is what we have to work with.



- This image was made public at the same time as an increasing awareness of human impact on the Earth was emerging.
- We began to understand that Earth is a "closed system" and that human activity was having a global impact.



- Renowned wilderness photographer Galen Rowell called the Earthrise photo, "the most influential environmental photograph ever taken."
- This photo is on the cover of the 2003 Life magazine issue titled "100 *Photographs that Changed the World*"
- This is our world. How are we going to treat it?