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ACHIEVEMENTS IN AEROSPACE

In “Museum Director” (p. 28), you read about Ellen Stofan, a planetary scientist who is now the director of the Smithsonian’s National Air and Space Museum. Use online resources, such as <https://pioneersofflight.si.edu/people> to research a key person in aerospace history. Then write a one-page biography that could be displayed in the museum.

Suggested People

Bessie Coleman • Bernard Harris • Carlos Noriega • Dale White • Ellen Ochoa • John Herrington

CHOOSE: Pick someone (or make your own selection) you’d like to learn more about.

Write the person’s name here: _____

1. RESEARCH: Use the library or reputable internet sites to learn more about this individual. Add any key information you find alongside the proper heading in the table below. You will use this table when you write a biography on the next page.

<p>Early Life Include when and where the person was born, his or her family history, key milestones, people who inspired your person.</p>	
<p>Education What was your person’s experience as a student? Include school activities, and post-secondary education.</p>	
<p>Career Pathway Discuss early jobs, examples of hard work, and any setbacks.</p>	
<p>What made this person a pioneer? Explain your person’s firsts and innovations, and challenges he or she overcame.</p>	
<p>Miscellaneous Any other interesting details, quotations, etc.</p>	

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2. WRITE: Use the information you gathered to organize your biography into paragraphs. When you are done writing, read the first draft of your biography to a partner. Ask for feedback on what you did well and what you could improve. Edit your biography to include those suggestions you find useful.
