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PILOT: A person who flies an aeroplane

Words to Know

Earhart

Aeroplanes were new in the 1920s. People mostly travelled by car or boat or train. But Amelia Earhart dreamed of flying.

Amelia was one of the first women pilots. She was known all over the world. She did many things women had never done before.



Amelia Mary Earhart was born on July 24, 1897.



She grew up in the state of Kansas in the USA.

She loved playing with her sister, Muriel.Together they played sports, went fishing and collected insects. They also enjoyed reading.

Back then girls wore long dresses. But Amelia's mother made them playsuits.Then they could run and play like the boys.



Amelia's family moved a lot. She went to many different schools. Luckily, Amelia made friends easily, and she enjoyed making people laugh.

When Amelia grew up, she worked as a nurse. Later, she worked at a centre that helped poor children. The children loved her.



Amelia in her nurse's uniform



When Amelia was 23, her father took her to an air show. She took a short ride in an aeroplane that day, and she fell in love with flying.

### In Her Own Words

"As soon as we left the ground, I knew I myself had to fly."

Amelia with the first plane she owned