

**B** Answer these questions in your copy.

1. What year did the first man travel in space?
2. How many years after that did the first men land on the moon?
3. What kind of spacecraft was built in 1981?
4. How long did the mission last for the first woman in space?
5. Suggest why animals were sent into space before people.

**C** Read this Fact File about the International Space Station. Complete the paragraph below using words on this page.

First crew	'Expedition 1' a crew of 3 people arrived in 2000
Crew	Usually 6 members
Length of stay	6 months
Built by	People from 15 different countries working together
Size	Larger than a 6-bedroom house
Number of rooms	14 (including 2 kitchens, 2 bathrooms, 2 mini-gyms and 3 science labs for experiments)
Bedrooms	None, but there are 6 sleep pods
Powered by	Large solar panels
Managed by	52 computers
Orbits Earth	Every 90 minutes

The building of the International \_\_\_\_\_ Station began in 1998. Fifteen different countries helped to build it. The first \_\_\_\_\_ to live on board arrived two years later. There were \_\_\_\_\_ people in the first crew and it was called 'Expedition 1'. Over 40 crews have lived on the International Space \_\_\_\_\_ since then. Usually the crew has six members and they stay about six \_\_\_\_\_ on board. The crew runs the \_\_\_\_\_ Space Station with the help of 52 \_\_\_\_\_. They carry out experiments in the three \_\_\_\_\_ labs. There are no real \_\_\_\_\_ on the International Space Station. Instead, crew members sleep in one of six sleep pods. There is a sleeping bag tied to the wall inside each sleep pod. The International Space Station is powered by \_\_\_\_\_ panels that are in total about half the size of a Gaelic football pitch. The station travels fast. It takes 90 minutes for it to go round the \_\_\_\_\_.