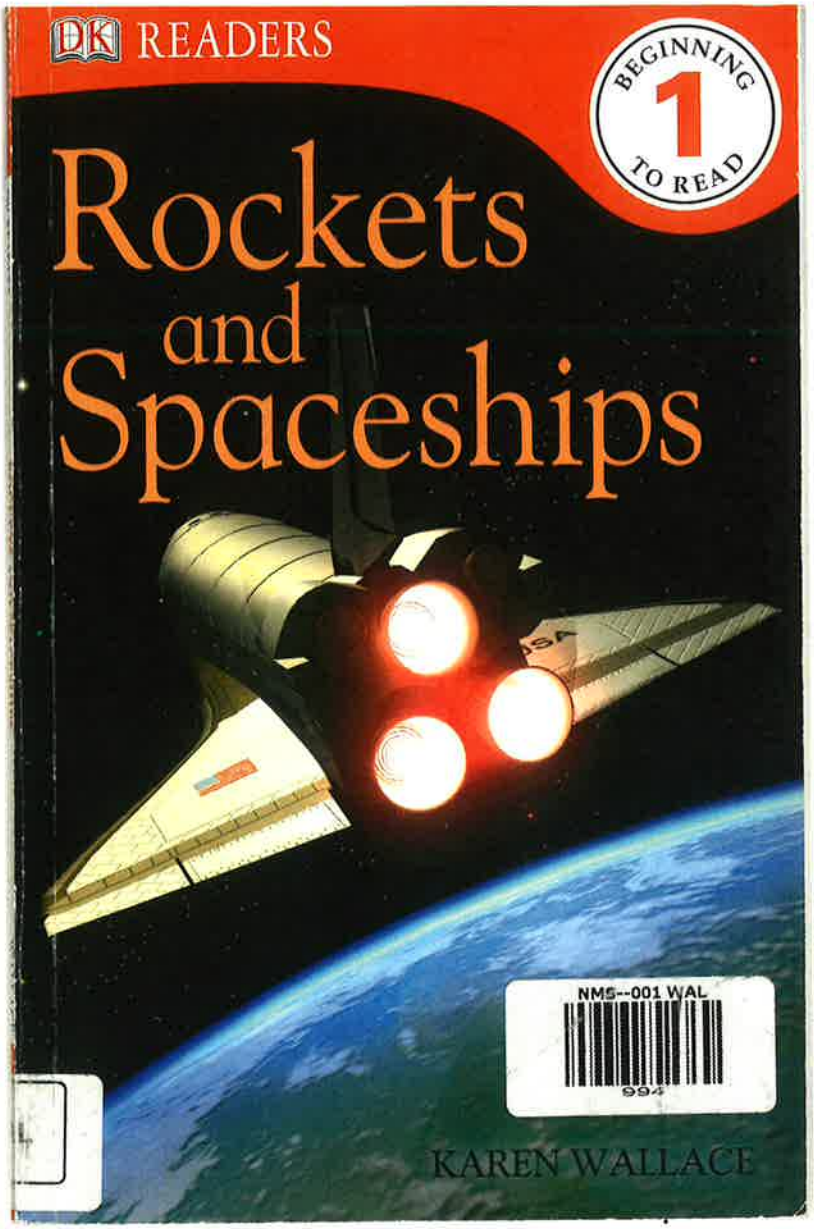

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Twisters!
Holiday! Celebration Days around the World
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Horse Show
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The Story of Columbus
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Amazing Buildings
Feathers, Flippers, and Feet
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Sniffles, Sneezes, Hiccups, and Coughs
Ice Skating Stars
Let's Go Riding
I Want to Be a Gymnast
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Water Everywhere
Telling Time
A Trip to the Theater
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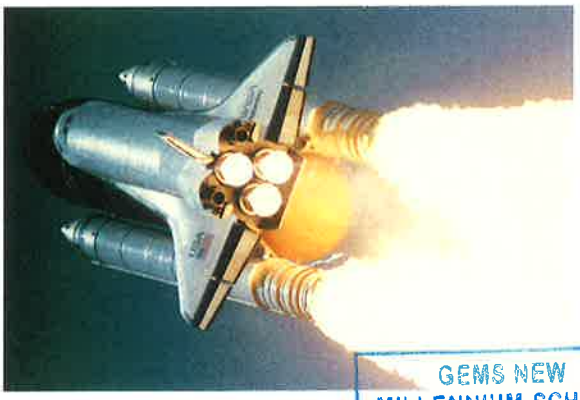


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5... 4... 3... 2... 1...
Blast Off!

Rumble... rumble...
ROOAAARRRR!
A rocket takes off
into the sky.
It zooms up and
away from Earth.


rocket

The rocket flies very far,
VERY FAST.



Rockets help us to
explore space.
Astronauts are scientists
who travel in space.



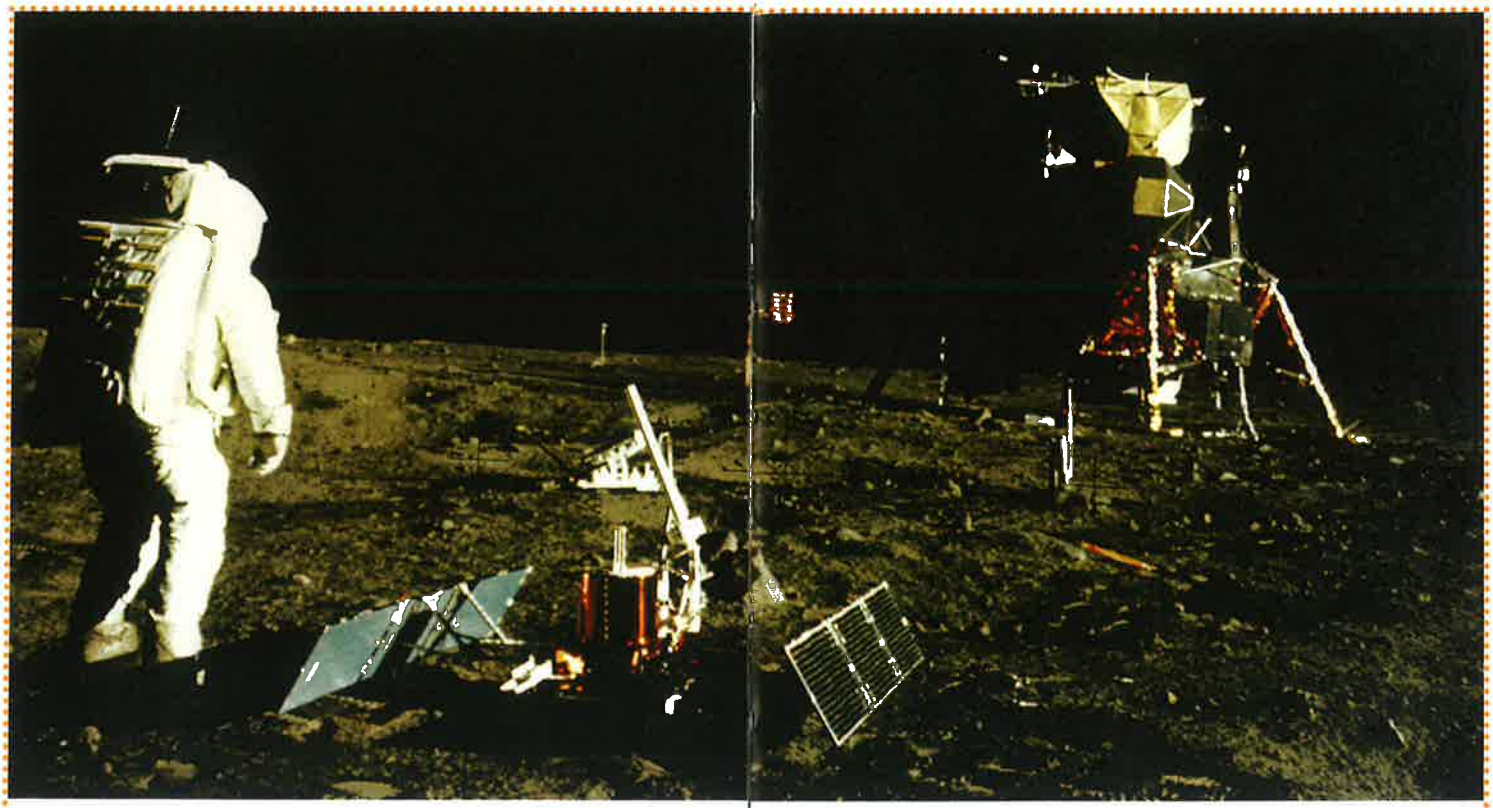
They travel in a spaceship
at the top of a rocket.

The rocket takes
the spaceship up to space.
Then the rocket falls away.



Astronauts can see
the Moon and stars in space.
They can see planets, too.
Our planet is called Earth.
This is how astronauts see Earth
from space.





Some astronauts have traveled
to the Moon.
They explored the Moon
and did experiments.

They picked up
dust and rocks
for scientists to study
back on Earth.

Sometimes, astronauts
"walk" in space.
Walking in space is not
like walking on Earth.

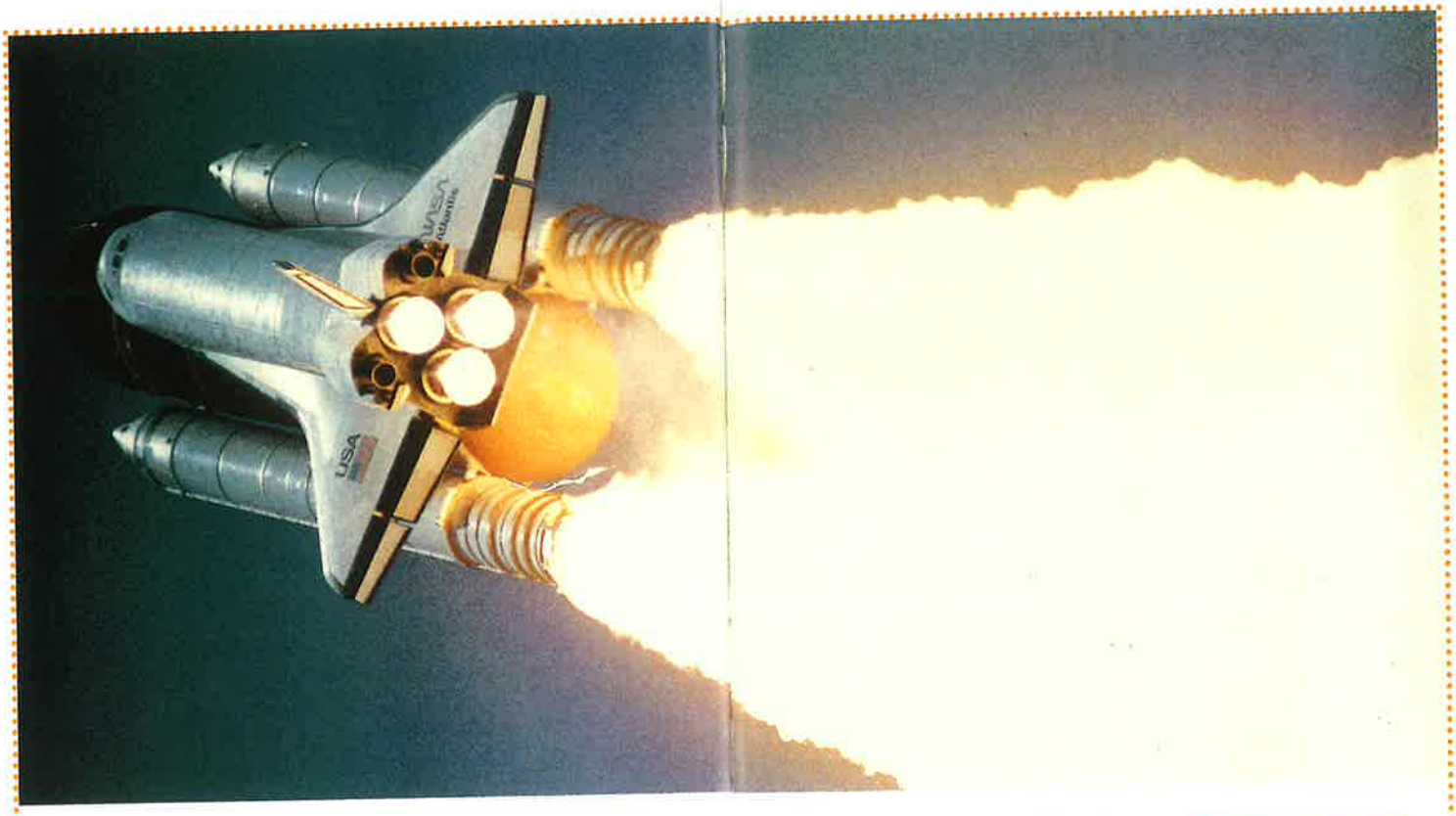
Astronauts must use a special rope
which keeps them
attached to their spaceship.
Otherwise, they would float away!





This is a space shuttle.
It is part rocket, part plane.
Astronauts have used it
for many trips to space.
The plane part of the space shuttle
can be used again and again.
It takes off like a rocket,
then it glides back to Earth
and lands like an airplane.



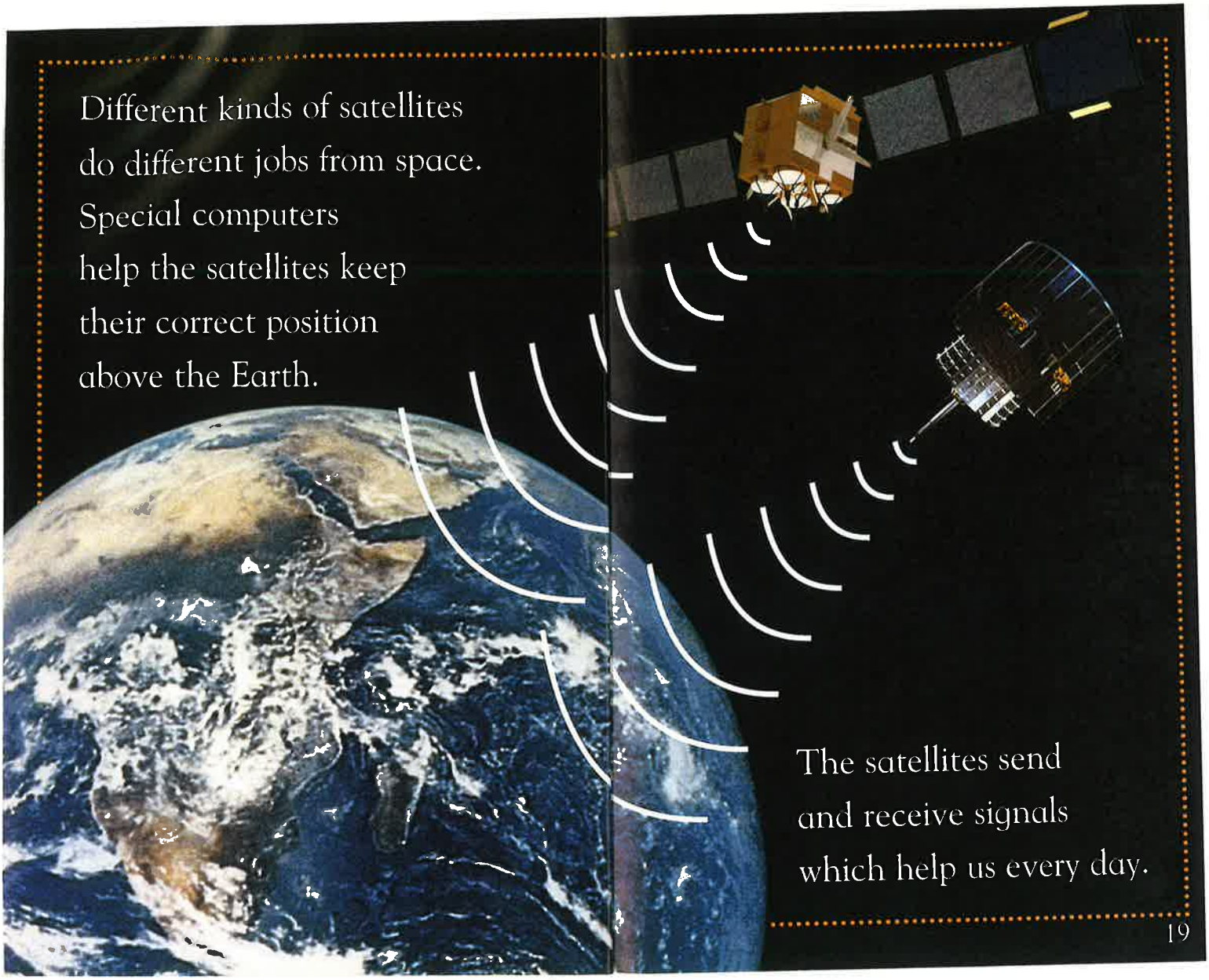


The space shuttle uses
rocket engines to blast off.
When the rocket engines fall away,
the shuttle plane flies into space.

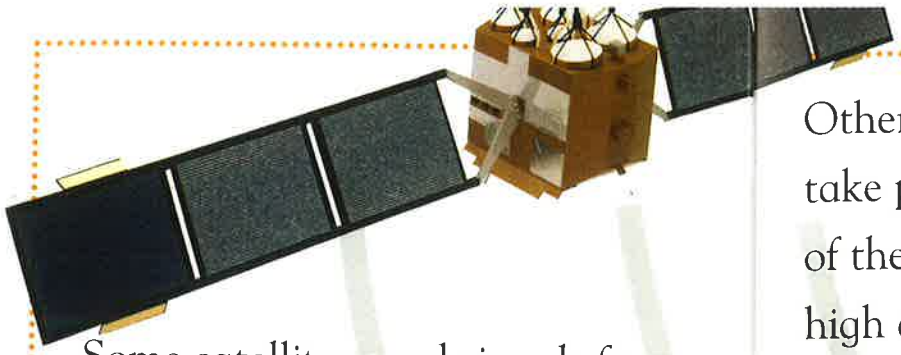
A space shuttle does
many different jobs.
It can carry satellites
as well as astronauts.


satellite

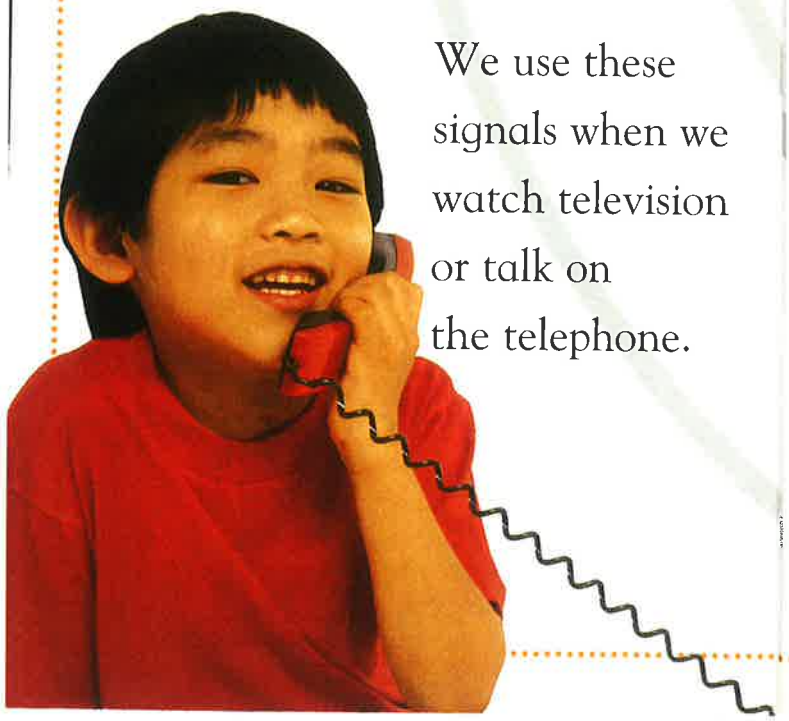
Different kinds of satellites
do different jobs from space.
Special computers
help the satellites keep
their correct position
above the Earth.



The satellites send
and receive signals
which help us every day.



Some satellites send signals from one part of the world to another.



We use these signals when we watch television or talk on the telephone.



Other satellites take pictures of the weather from high above Earth.



This picture shows a storm coming!

The Hubble
Space Telescope
is a very
special satellite.

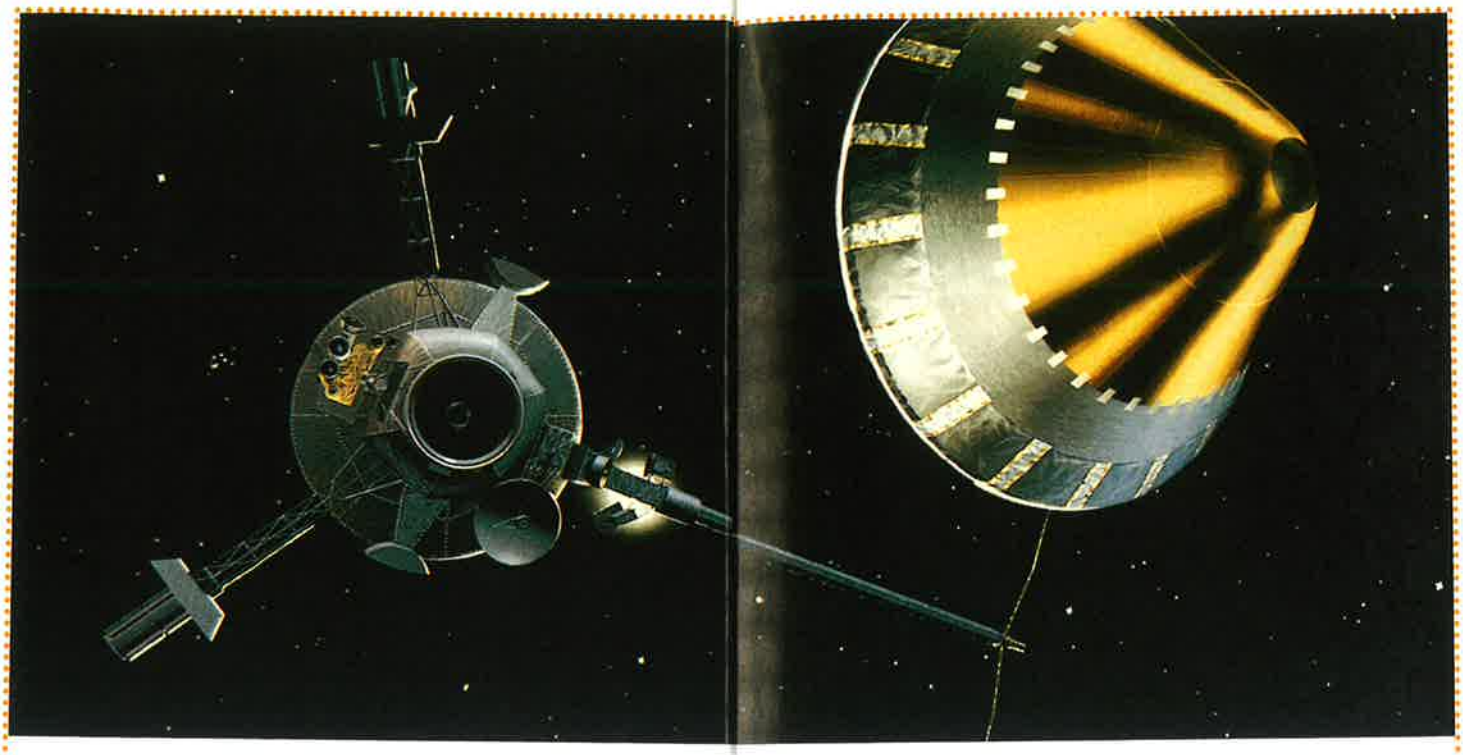


It is a telescope
and a camera,
which can see
stars and planets
that are millions of
miles (kilometers) away.

The planet
in this picture
is called Saturn.



Saturn



Probes are machines
that explore space
on their own.
They do not carry
astronauts.

Space probes visit planets
that are very far away.
They take pictures
and send them back
to scientists on Earth.

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A space probe carried
this tiny rover
to a planet called Mars.
The rover explored Mars
and studied the rocks.

Some people think
there might be
life on Mars.
One day, scientists
will know for sure!

Some astronauts
stay in space
for months
and months.



The space station
becomes their home.
They do experiments
and learn about
living in space.



Imagine eating
and sleeping
in a place
where everything floats!

There are still so many secrets
to discover.
Scientists invent new rockets
and spaceships all the time.
There are even plans
to build a space hotel.



Who knows?
One day **you** might go
on vacation in space!



Glossary



Astronaut
a person trained to travel in a spaceship and to work in space.



Mars
the fourth planet from the Sun looks a red color.



Rocket
a vehicle with a rocket engine that can travel through space.



Satellite
a man-made space object that goes around Earth, sending back information.



Saturn
the sixth planet from the Sun has seven thin rings of ice around it.

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