

SPACE EXPLORATION DISCOVERY TIMELINE

1957

Sputnik 1 The first artificial satellite is launched by the USSR, marking the beginning of the space age.

1961

First Human in Space Yuri Gagarin orbits the Earth aboard Vostok 1.

1969

Apollo 11 Moon Landing Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin become the first humans to walk on the lunar surface.

1977

Voyager Program Launch of Voyager 1 and 2 to study the outer solar system and interstellar space.

1990

Hubble Space Telescope Deployment of the telescope providing deep-space imagery and revolutionary data.

2012

Mars Curiosity Rover Landing in Gale Crater to investigate Martian habitability and geology.

2021

James Webb Telescope The most powerful space telescope ever built begins its mission to observe the early universe.