

CHRONOLOGY OF SPACE EXPLORATION

1957

Sputnik 1

First artificial satellite launched into Earth orbit by the USSR.

1961

Vostok 1

Yuri Gagarin becomes the first human to journey into outer space.

1969

Apollo 11

Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin perform the first crewed moon landing.

1977

Voyager Program

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

1990

Hubble Telescope

Deployment of the Hubble Space Telescope into low Earth orbit.

1998

ISS Assembly

Construction begins on the International Space Station.

2012

Curiosity Rover

Successful landing of the Mars Science Laboratory on the Martian surface.

2021

James Webb Telescope

Launch of the most powerful infrared space telescope ever built.