



Worksheet 4. Reading: The First Woman in Space

Read the passage. Then answer the questions below.



The First Woman in Space

The first woman in space was a Soviet cosmonaut. (The English word for "cosmonaut" is "**astronaut**.") In June, 1963, **Valentina** Tereshkova went around the Earth in a **space capsule** 48 times in three days. She became a "Hero of the Soviet Union" and received many honors.

Valentina was a **factory worker** before she became an astronaut. She also knew a lot about parachutes because her hobby was **parachute** jumping.



She wanted to be an astronaut and wrote to her **government** about this. Her government chose her to become an astronaut. Then she received many years of training for the flight.

She **married** another astronaut, Andrian Nikalayev. He traveled in space too. They have a daughter Elena, a doctor.

Valentina never flew in space again. After her flight, she studied engineering and in 1976 received a **degree** in technical science.

Use the information in the passage about the first woman in space to complete the sentences. Cross out the incorrect completion.

1. An astronaut is (a cosmonaut / a star).
2. A space capsule is like (a pill / an airplane)
3. Valentina (got / gave) many honors.
4. Before Valentina was an astronaut, she was (an engineer / a factory worker).
5. You use a parachute when you jump (into / out of) an airplane.
6. Valentina wrote to her (company / government).
7. She (spent / waited) many years in training for the flight.
8. She married (an astronaut / an engineer).
9. She (often / never) traveled in space again.
10. She received a degree in (training / science).