

Student Link

A lesson Activity for Grade 4s: **SALLY RIDE!**

Student Name: _____

What to do

1. Click on the Grade 4 door and then select the gray rectangle called "Themes and Features". Search for the title "Sally Ride" located under the header called "Firsts". Click on it and be ready to reveal... the quote that is revealed (in green font) at the top of the webpage?



2. Read the first paragraph of this webpage to determine the following information:

- A) Sally Ride's middle name: _____
- B) Her date of birth (Month, day, year): _____
- C) She was the first woman to do what? _____
- D) In what city and state was she born? _____

3. Sally obviously loved sports and played a lot of what sport? _____.

She was such a strong player that she won a *scholarship*. What does this mean? Look it up if you have to (use www.dictionary.com!)

A scholarship is: _____



4. There are a lot of letters (called *acronyms*) that are listed in the second paragraph. Do some web research (go back to dictionary.com if you have to!) to define and explain what these letters mean:

B.A. _____ B.S. _____

Ph.D. _____

NASA: _____

5. Name the 6 activities (in paragraph 3) that made up Sally's training at NASA:

1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____ 4) _____

5) _____ 6) _____



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6. Scroll down the page and investigate the books that this amazing female astronaut wrote or co-wrote (wrote with someone else).

How many books in total has she written, alone or with someone else? _____

Which book is about the "epic journeys of the *Voyager* spacecraft"?

_____. Which book "explores the relationships

Among the atmosphere, oceans, landmasses and living things"? _____

_____. How many books are listed as "biographies"? _____

7. Scroll down a bit further and locate the section called "Related Websites".

How many websites are listed? _____

Click on the *NASA Kids Website* link.
Take a few moments to navigate this fun site.

Find out: when was the last time this page was updated?



Underneath the "Put it Together" section, click on a puzzle and choose a level (between 1 and 4). Take some time to put this online puzzle together.

When you're finished, describe whether or not you felt this puzzle and picture were challenging. What was hard? Easy? What would you change?

8. Now, return to the Sally Ride mainpage and locate the section called "Sally Ride Online videos". Select 1 or 2 to view independently. Then prepare a paragraph below explaining (synthesizing) what you viewed:


