

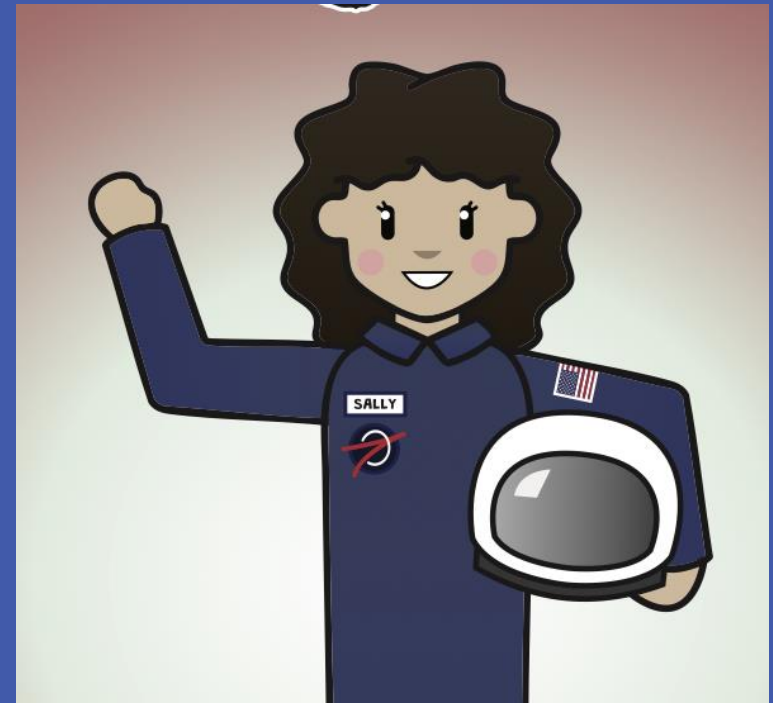
# Who Was Sally Ride?



- Sally Ride was an American astronaut and scientist.
- She was born in 1951.
- She loved science, reading, and playing tennis.

# Going Into Space!

- Sally Ride became the first American woman in space.
- She flew on a spacecraft called Challenger.
- This happened in 1983.



# Facts about Sally

- **Sally trained very hard to be an astronaut.**

She practised flying, learned about science, and trained her body to cope with space. She had to work as part of a team and never gave up, even when things were difficult.

- **She carried a toy frog into space for good luck!**

Astronauts sometimes take small toys with them. Sally chose a frog because it was fun and helped her feel calm on her exciting journey into space.

- **She loved asking questions.**

Sally was always curious about how things worked. She believed that asking questions was the best way to learn — and that everyone should feel brave enough to ask them too.



# Helping Children Learn

- **After going into space, Sally became a teacher.**  
She worked at universities and enjoyed helping people learn new things. She believed learning should be exciting, not scary.
- **She wrote books about science for children.**  
Sally wanted science to be easy to understand and fun. Her books helped children learn about space, experiments, and asking questions.
- **She wanted everyone to enjoy learning.**  
Sally believed that science was for *everyone*, not just grown-ups or experts. She encouraged children to be curious and to believe in themselves.



# LGBT History Month

**Sally Ride was part of the LGBT community because she had a female partner.**

Her partner was called **Tam O'Shaughnessy**, and they shared their lives together for many years.

**After her death, people learned that she was LGBT.**

This helped others understand that LGBT people have always been part of history — even in jobs like space science.

**Sally Ride is often remembered as the first known LGBT astronaut.**

This makes her an important role model for LGBT people who are interested in science and space.

**She helped LGBT representation by being a role model.**

Even without talking about it publicly, Sally showed that LGBT people can achieve amazing things and be leaders, scientists, and explorers.

**Her story helps children today see that everyone belongs.**

Sally Ride reminds us that you can be yourself, follow your dreams, and still change the world.

