

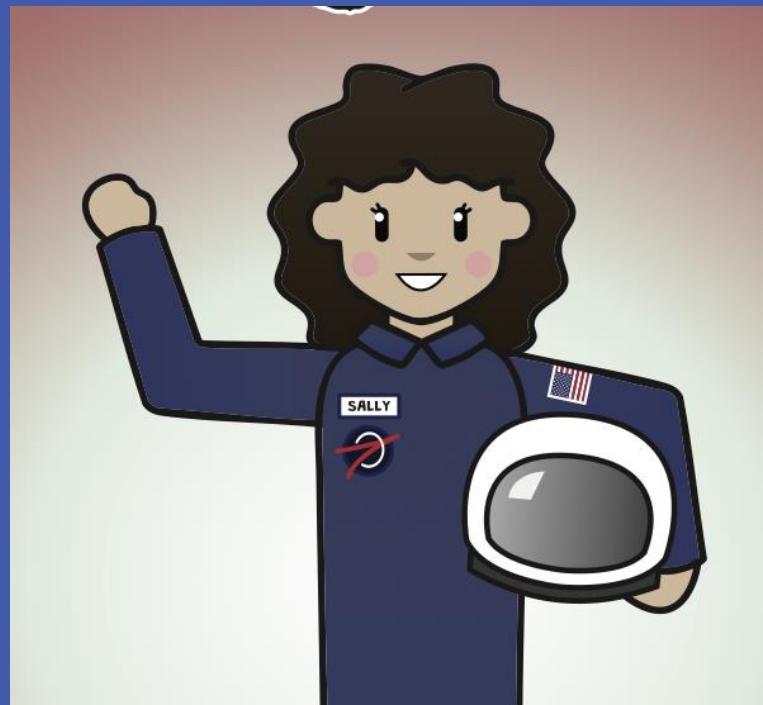
Who Was Sally Ride?



- 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.

