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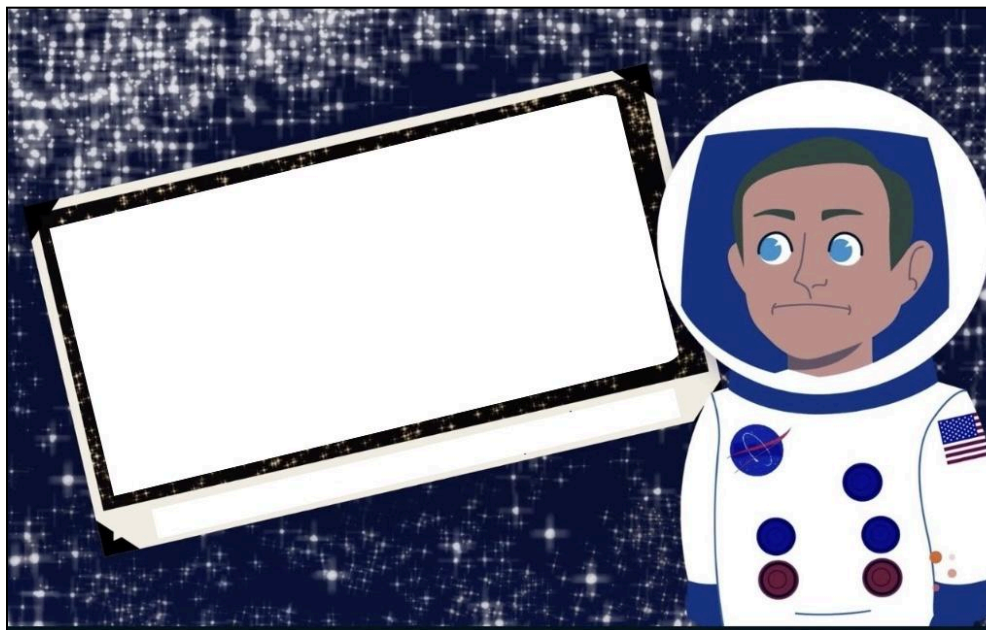
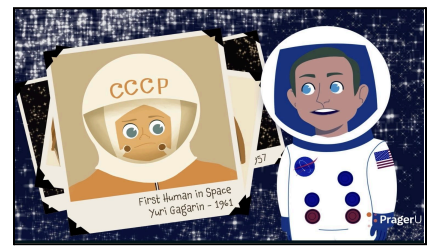
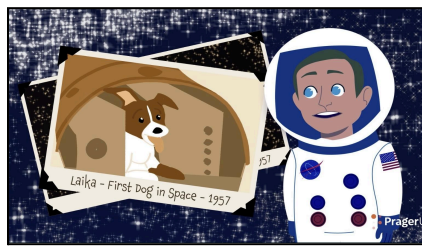
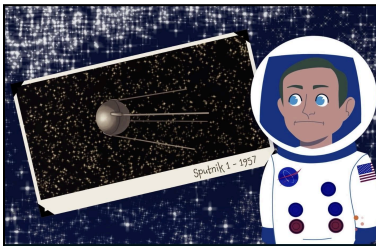
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Answers will vary. Sample answer: The first time a person walked on the moon was an incredible accomplishment! It was not only a literal step taken with human feet but also a great technological victory for the entire human race.
6. Why did President Ronald Reagan call communism an oppressive and ineffective system of government?

Answers will vary. Sample answer: Communism is oppressive and ineffective because the people under communist rule have no freedom. They can’t own anything. Instead, everything is shared among all the people. There is no competition, so people are not motivated to learn, grow, and succeed.

7. Describe what you think Neil Armstrong meant when he said, "The road to victory is paved with losses."

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The completion should include an illustration of the first moon landing and the caption "Neil Armstrong—the first man to walk on the moon—1969" in the space below the box.