

# The Women Who Have Helped Build NASA



These women all worked at NASA. Their work also helped to change the way that people treated women and Black people.

## Dorothy Vaughan

- Dorothy learnt how to set up and use computers.
- She trained lots of other women to use computers too.



## Katherine Johnson

- Katherine began working at NASA in 1953.
- She used her excellent maths skills to plan routes into space.



## Mary Jackson

- Mary was NASA's first Black female engineer.
- She also helped many other women with their jobs.



## Christine Darden

- Christine found out a lot about the sound that an aircraft can make.
- She was given lots of awards for her work.



# Questions

1. What did these women help to change? Tick one.
  - the way that children learnt about space
  - the way that people treated women and Black people
  - the way that rockets were painted
2. What did Dorothy learn to do with computers? Tick one.
  - set up computers
  - buy new computers
  - build computers
3. When did Katherine begin working at NASA? Tick one.
  - 1923
  - 1953
  - 1983
4. What job did Mary do? Tick one.
  - driver
  - doctor
  - engineer
5. What did Christine find out a lot about? Tick one.
  - how quickly an aircraft can go
  - the sound that an aircraft makes
  - the size of a rocket