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Who Disappeared While Attempting to Fly Around the World?

Amelia Earhart was a famous woman aviator who captivated the world's attention with her daring flights. Amelia was born in Atchison, Kansas, in 1897. At the age of 20, she became a nurse's aide and worked at a military hospital during World War One. The human tragedies that were a result of the war impacted Amelia. Following the war, she joined her parents living in California. It was at that time when Amelia went with her father to an aviation show that she fell in love with airplanes.

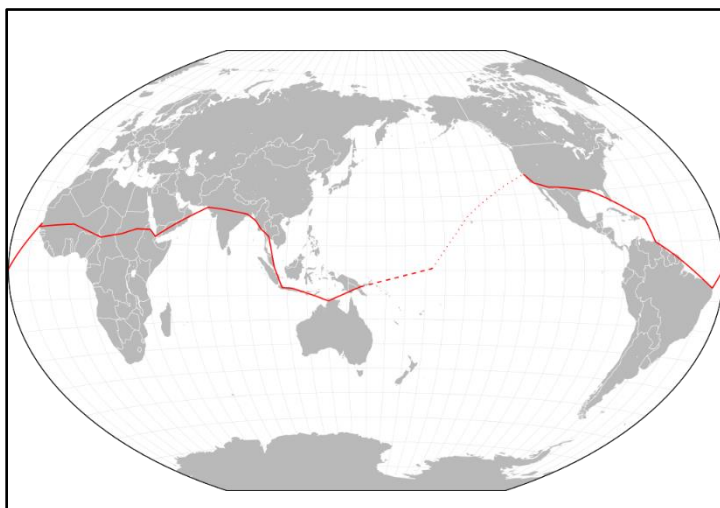


July 1897 - January 1939

Amelia soon took flight lessons in California and quickly became a skilled pilot. In 1920, Amelia bought her first plane naming it "The Canary." After just two years of flying planes, she was already attempting to break records. Amelia broke the woman's altitude record of 14,000 feet, became the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, broke speed records, and was the first woman to fly solo coast to coast. Amelia Earhart was also involved with many activities outside of flying airplanes. She published her own book, was the aviation editor of Cosmopolitan Magazine, and even



served as vice-president of public relations for an airline company.



In 1935, Amelia began planning a flight around the entire world. She set out on this trip on June 1, 1937, with the world watching with excitement. After flying over 22,000 miles and with only 7,000 miles left, Amelia Earhart disappeared over the Pacific Ocean. Nobody knows what happened to Amelia Earhart. Although

she was never found, Amelia was declared legally dead in 1939. Amelia Earhart and her accomplishments are an inspiration to many today.

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Answer The Questions.

1. When did Amelia buy her first plane?

- A. 1921
- B. 1917
- C. 1920
- D. 1926



2. What job did Amelia have before getting into aviation?

- A. Airplane Construction
- B. Nurse's Aide
- C. Blacksmith
- D. Tour Guide

3. Amelia fell in love with airplanes_____.

- A. on an airline flight to Chicago
- B. after seeing airplanes in a museum
- C. at an aviation show with her father
- D. after receiving a toy airplane for Christmas



4. Which of the following were records set by Amelia Earhart?

- A. First woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean
- B. Fly at an altitude of 14,000 feet
- C. First woman to fly solo coast to coast
- D. All of the above

5. In the first paragraph, what is a synonym for the word "aviator"?

- A. flight attendant
- B. cartographer
- C. pilot
- D. bird watcher

