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Who was the first female Hispanic astronaut?

Ellen Ochoa was the first Hispanic woman in space.

Ellen was born and raised in California. She lived with her mother and four brothers. From an early age, Ellen loved science. It was her favorite subject. Later, she studied physics at San Diego State University.

At the age of thirty-two, she joined NASA and traveled into space on the Space Shuttle, Discovery. Since then, she has spent more than 1,000 hours in space. Currently, she is the director of NASA's Johnson Space Center.

ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

1. Where was Ellen Ochoa born?
 - a. Canada
 - b. California
 - c. Utah
 - d. Wyoming
2. What did Ellen Ochoa study at the university?
 - a. physics
 - b. medicine
 - c. law
 - d. all of the above
3. Ellen Ochoa traveled into space on which Space Shuttle?
 - a. Discovery
 - b. Challenger
 - c. Columbia
 - d. Atlantis
4. How many hours has Ellen Ochoa spent in space?
 - a. none
 - b. over 5000
 - c. over 1000
 - d. less than 500

