

Amelia Earhart

- Amelia Earhart was born on 24th July 1897 in Atchison, Kansas (United States).
- She was the sixteenth woman to receive a pilot's license from the FAI (Fédération Aéronautique Internationale).
- She became the first woman to complete a solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean, on May 21st, 1932
- She took off from Newfoundland and landed in Ireland
- The flight took 15 hours
- After completing the flight, she became a huge celebrity
- Although she was the most famous female pilot in the world, Earhart wasn't satisfied and wanted to be the first woman to fly around the world
- In 1937 Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan, her navigator, attempted to complete a circumnavigation of the globe in a Lockheed Model 10 Electra plane.
- The flight was funded by Purdue University.
- They took off from Miami, Florida. They flew a number of flights, eventually getting all the way across Africa and Asia to New Guinea in the South Pacific.
- On July 2nd they took off from New Guinea to fly to Howland Island in the Pacific Ocean
- Unfortunately, she disappeared somewhere over the Pacific Ocean near to Howland Island.
- The US spent a great deal of money searching for Earhart, but her body was never recovered. To this day, no one knows exactly what happened to her and to her plane.