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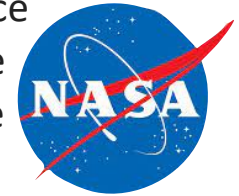
On this day...

in 1981 the HP-41 calculator was used in Space on board NASA's first space shuttle flight. The HP-41 allowed astronauts to calculate the exact angle at which they needed to re-enter the Earth's atmosphere.



Did you know....

A new era in space flight began on April 12, 1981, when Space Shuttle Columbia, or STS-1, soared into orbit from NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Astronaut John Young, a veteran of four previous space flights including a walk on the moon in 1972, commanded the mission.



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