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SALLY RIDE

Sally Ride was born in 1951 in California.
She loved science and sports when she was young.
After studying physics in college, she applied to
become an astronaut. In 1983, Sally Ride became
the first American woman to travel into space.

She flew on the Space Shuttle Challenger and helped
operate robotic arms during the mission.
Her success inspired many girls to study science
and dream big. After leaving NASA, she worked to encourage
young students to learn about math and science.
Sally Ride is remembered as a pioneer in space exploration.

Part A: Vocabulary Skills

What does the word inspired mean in the story?

What does pioneer mean?

Part B: Main Idea

What is the main idea of the passage?

Part C: Short Answer

Why was Sally Ride important in history?

How did she help students after leaving NASA?
