



## Apollo Soyuz Test Project ASTP

July 15-24, 1975

ASTP was the first joint mission of the U.S. and Soviet space programs. It was the last Apollo flight and the last manned space launch until the Space Shuttle program in April 1981. The mission was launched on a Saturn 1B (SA-210) and carried a three-person crew. Thomas P. Stafford - Commander, Vance D. Brand - Command Module Pilot, Donald K. Slayton - Docking Module Pilot.

Although the primary purpose of the mission was symbolic, it was designed to test the compatibility of rendezvous and docking systems for American and Soviet spacecraft, to open the way for international space rescue as well as future joint manned flights.

The Apollo and Soyuz crews conducted a variety of experiments over a two day period. After separation, Apollo remained in space an additional 6 days. Soyuz returned to Earth approximately 43 hours after separation.

The mission lasted 09 days, 07 hours, 28 minutes.

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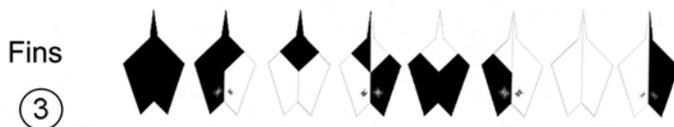
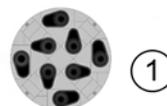
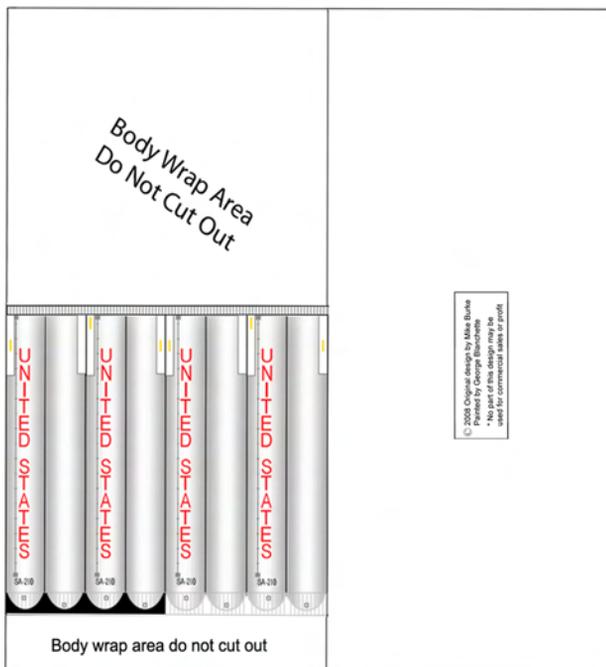
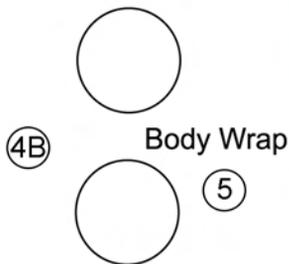
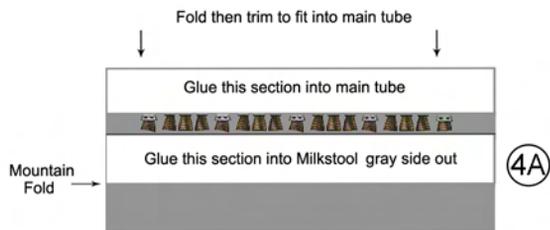
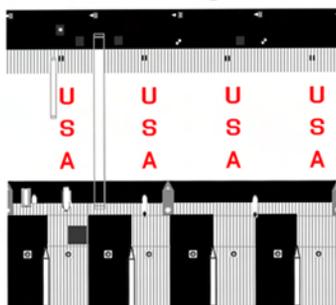
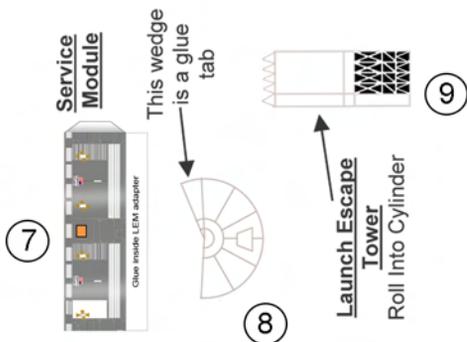
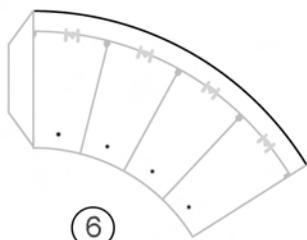
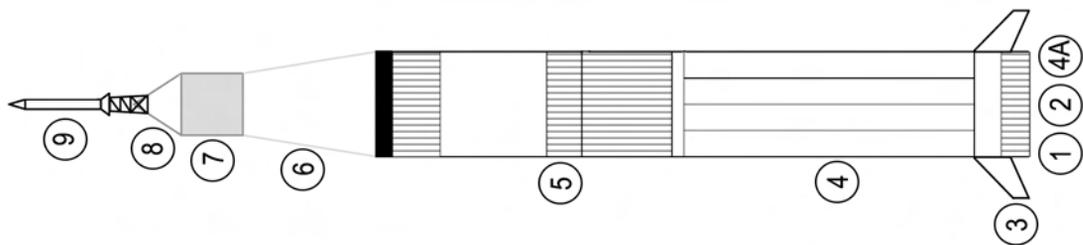
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