

From the Earth to the Moon
Part 5: Mare Tranquilitatis (Apollo 11)

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1. Neil Armstrong's steps on the moon still remain the most watched TV event (in terms of the percent of the world's population) in human history. Give two reasons why you think that is.
2. In what very dangerous way did Neil Armstrong practice moon landings with the LLRV?
3. Why did Buzz Aldrin think that he might have been the better choice as the first man to step onto the moon?
4. Explain how Jay Honeycutt tries to "kill" Apollo 11's astronauts in the LEM simulator.
5. Why did Armstrong intentionally let the LEM crash during one session in the simulator?
6. During the landing approach, Armstrong tells Houston that they "passed the 3 minute mark early". What does that create a shortage of later? What other technical problem did they also have?