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Ordering events **chronologically**

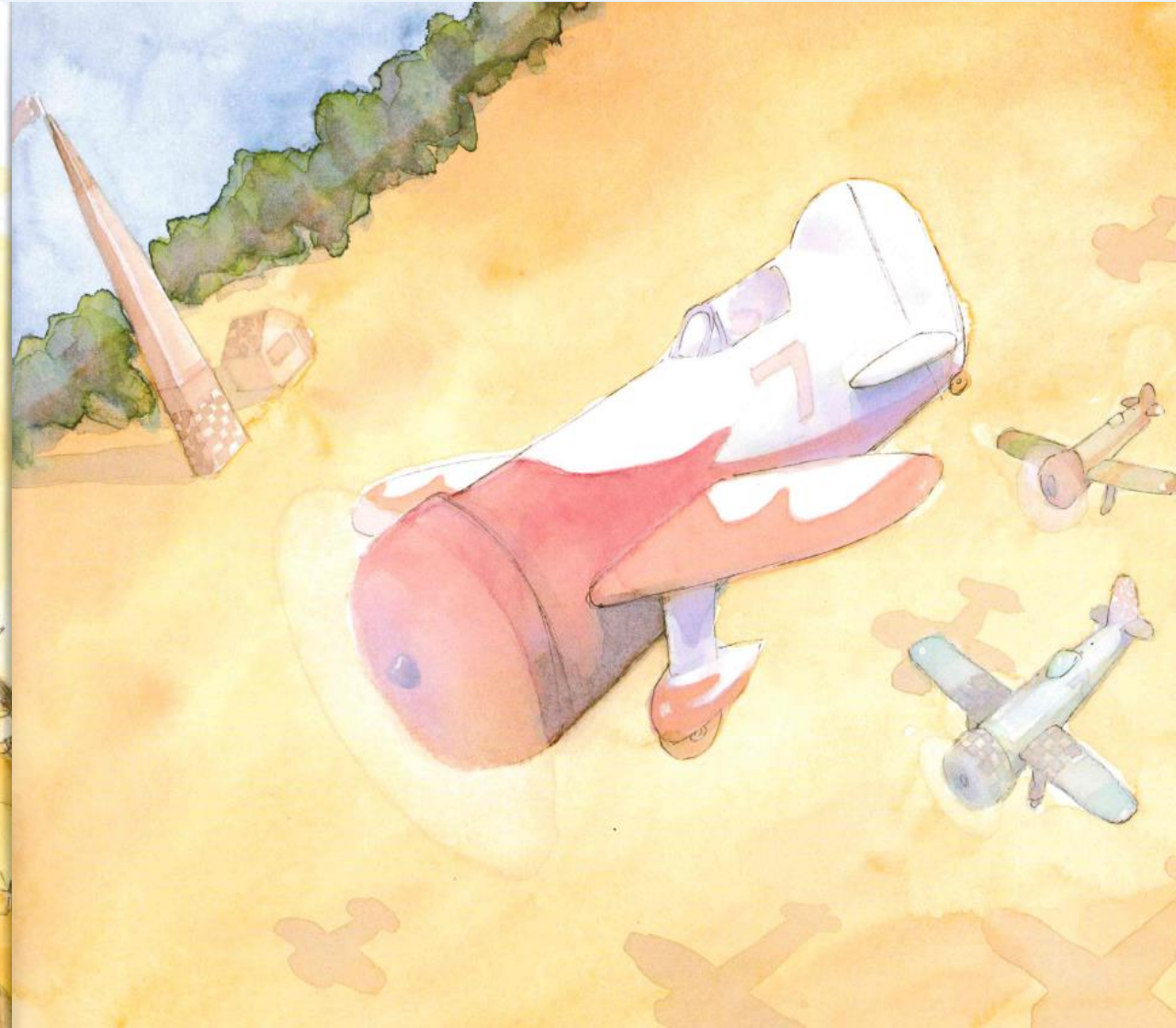


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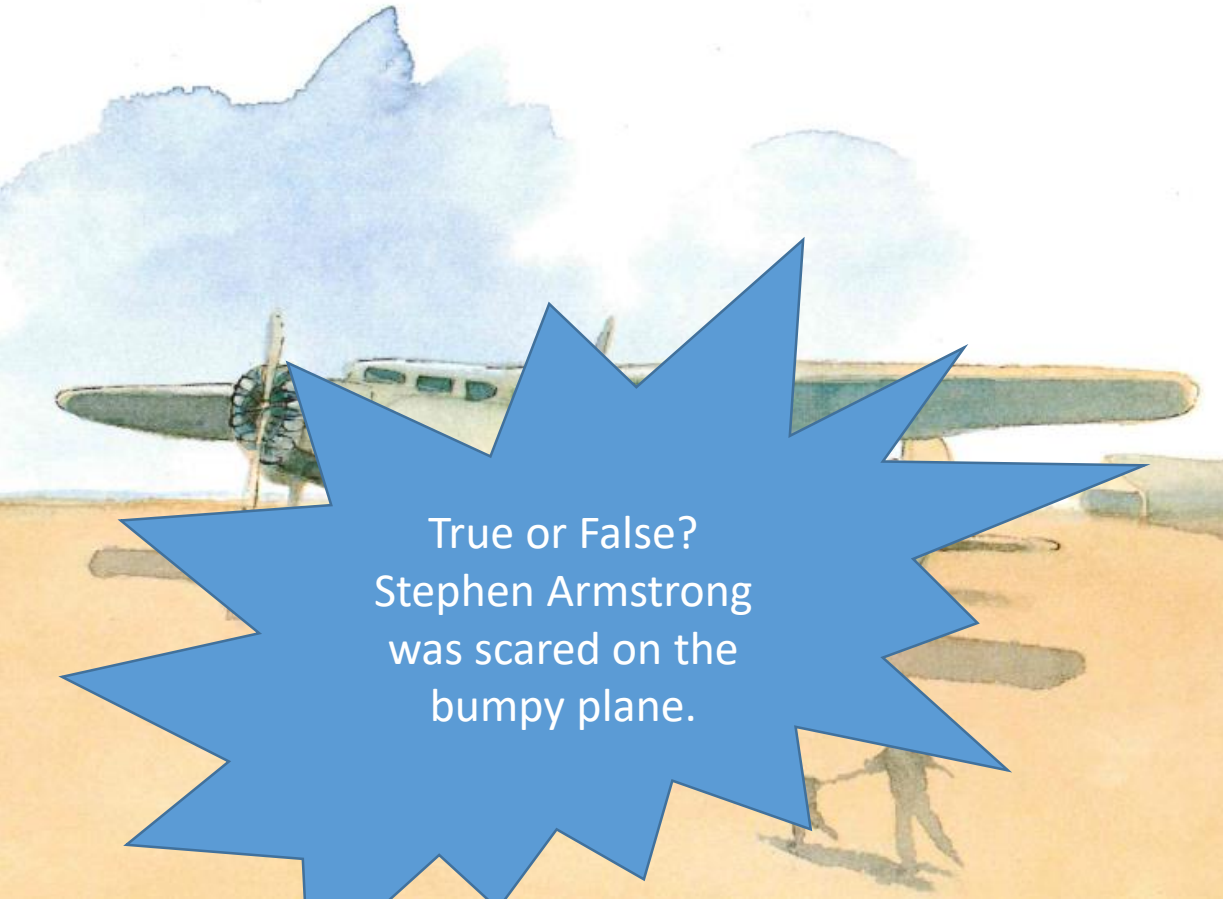
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What did
Neil do in
1932?



It wasn't on a racing plane but a three-motored passenger plane nicknamed the Tin Goose. The plane offered rides at the town airport. It could carry about a dozen people.

Neil and his father climbed aboard and buckled themselves into wicker seats. The engines sputtered to life with a terrific noise. The airplane raced down the runway and slowly lifted into the sky.



True or False?
Stephen Armstrong
was scared on the
bumpy plane.



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Neil started making ten-cent airplane models and reading flying magazines.

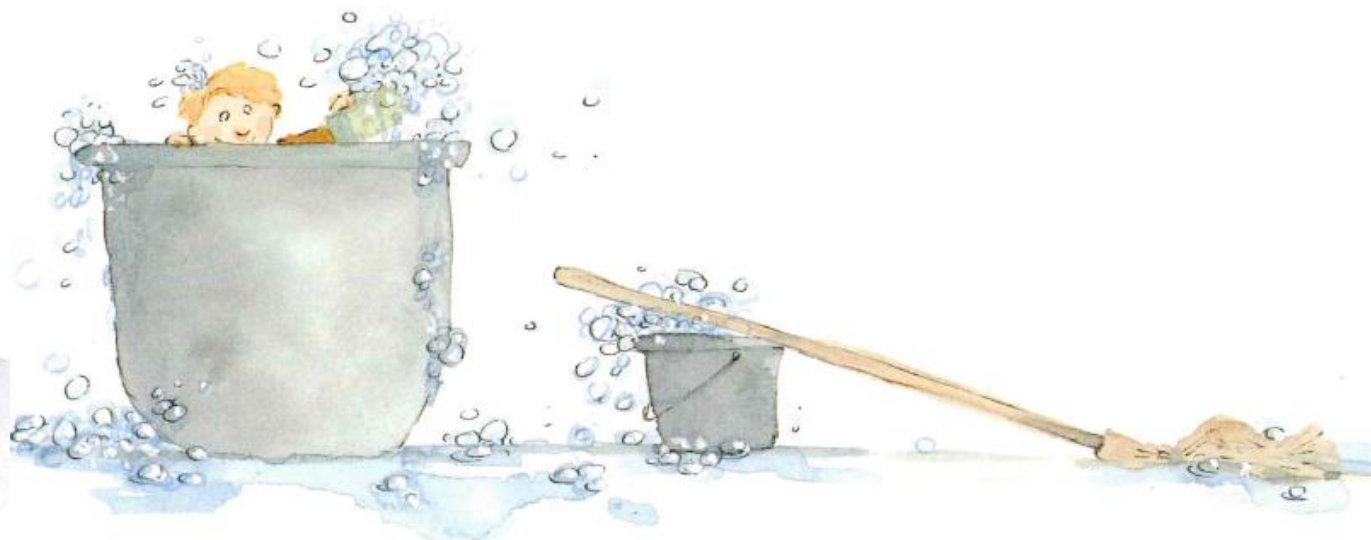
He also started having a magical dream. In it, he held his breath and hovered above the ground. Below him, people, houses, cars, *everything* looked smaller.




As Neil grew, so did his interest in flying. Hundreds of model airplanes and stacks of *Air Travel* magazine began to appear in his bedroom.



A job mowing the Mission Cemetery lawn helped pay for it all.



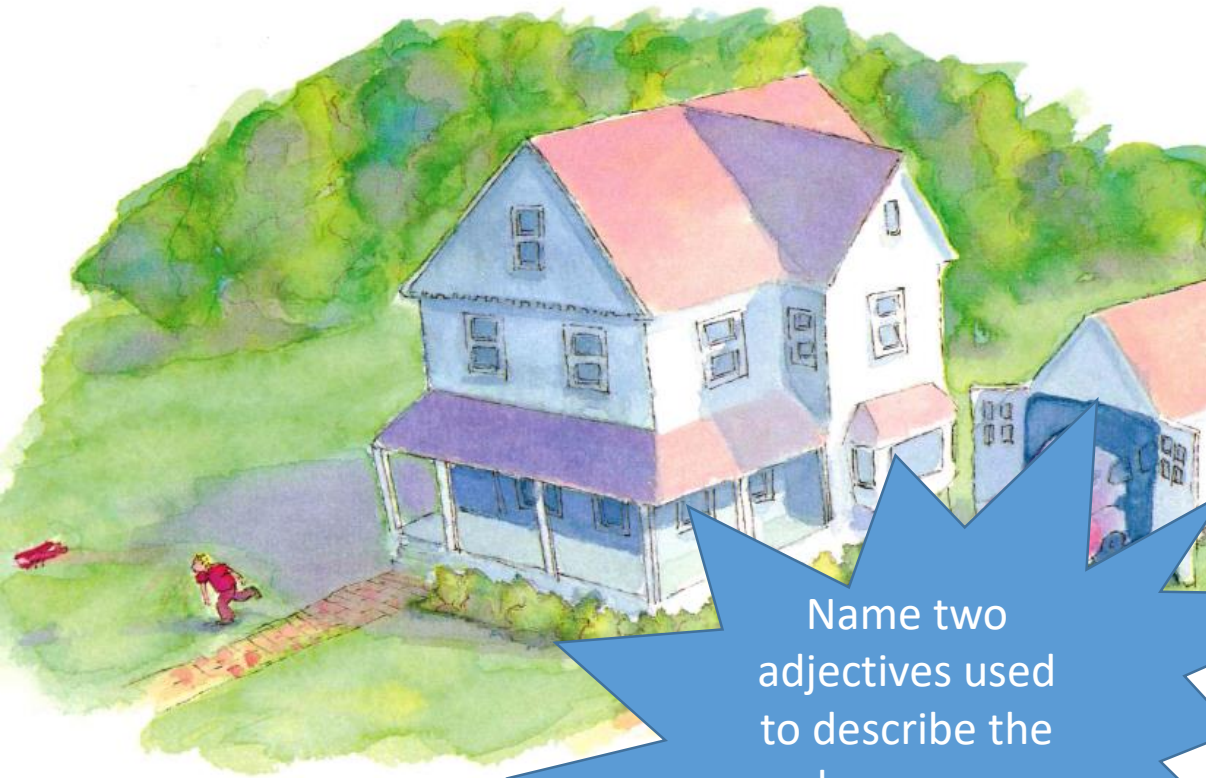
At about the age of eleven, Neil worked for Neumeister's Bakery. Because he was small, Neil was placed into the dough-mixing vats to clean them.



He dreamed again and again of hovering.

What is another
word for flying?

When Neil was thirteen, the Armstrongs moved into a big white house on Benton Street in Wapakoneta, Ohio. Neil had been born in the living room of his grandparents' nearby farm on August 5, 1930.



Name two adjectives used to describe the house on Benton Street



Neil was shy and made friends carefully. Still, his life was busy. There was school and Boy Scouts. He played baritone horn in the school band and in a group called the Mississippi Moonshiners.

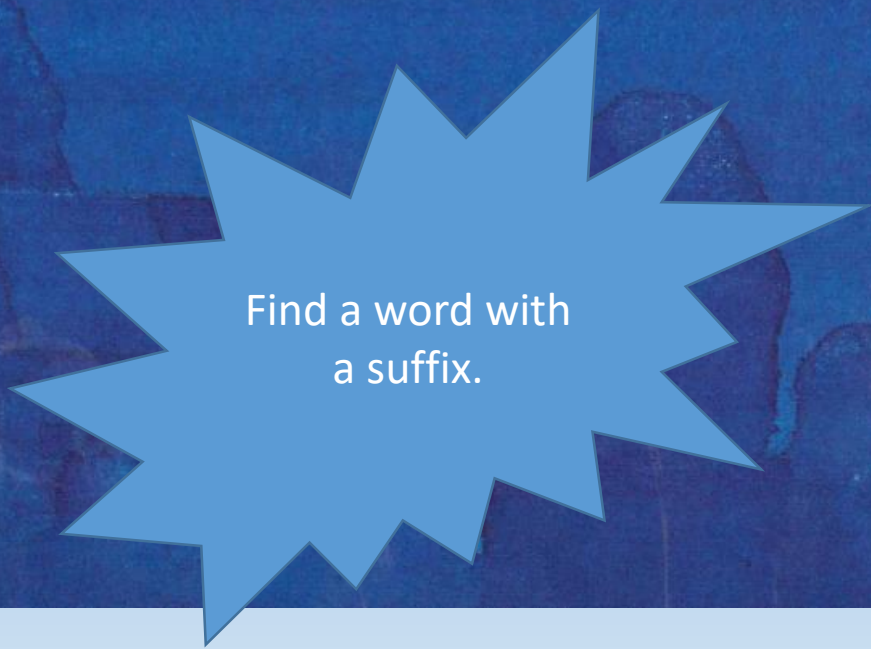
He flew rubber-band powered airplanes from a grassy hill.



He worked at the West End Market and Bowsher's Hardware, and he swept up and stocked shelves at Rhine and Brading's Pharmacy on Main Street.

On clear nights, Neil climbed to the roof of his neighbor Jacob Zint's garage. Mr. Zint had a homemade telescope mounted there and welcomed visitors to spy the moon and stars.

Neil looked and looked and looked.



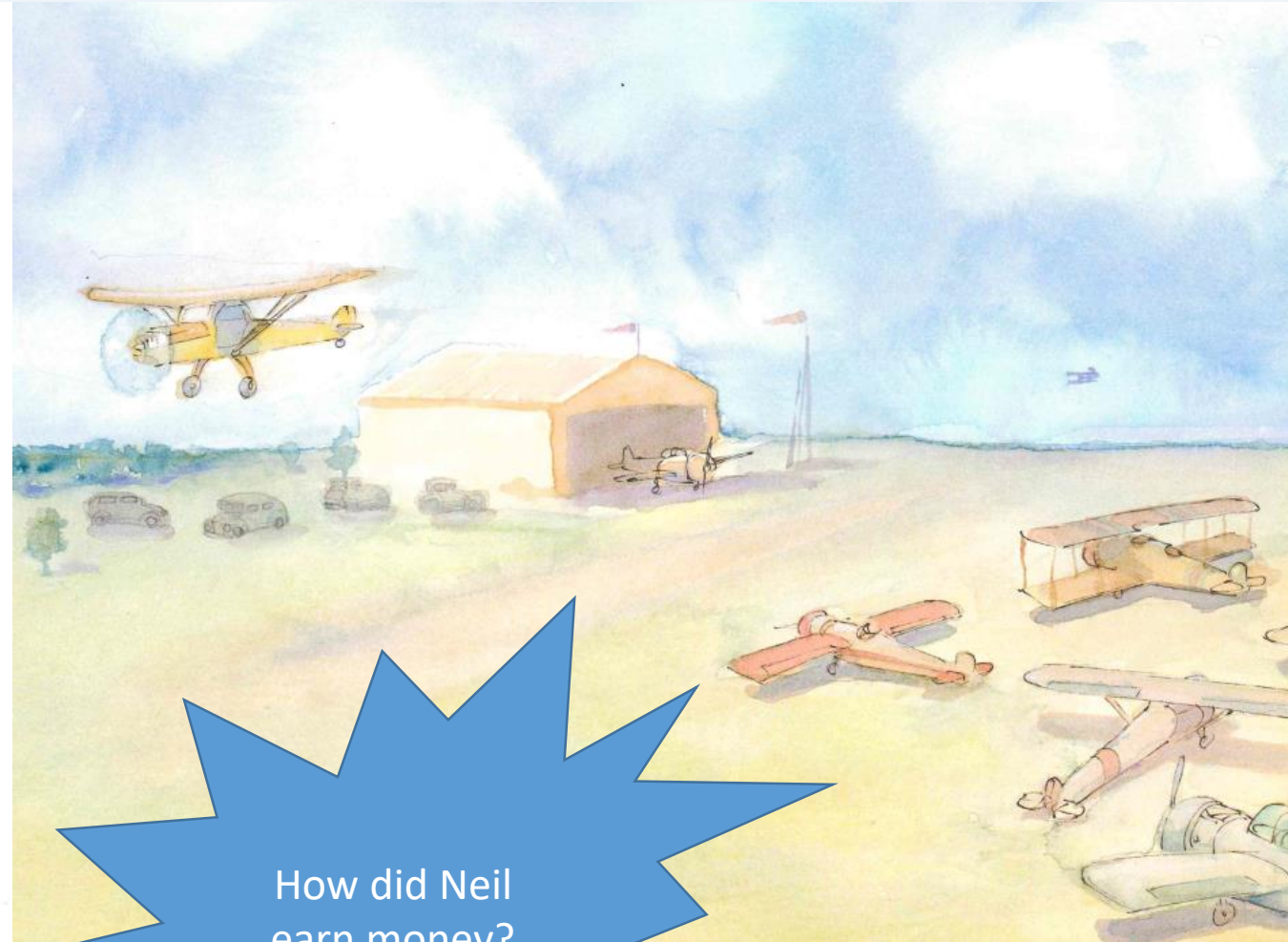
Find a word with
a suffix.

A few miles from the Armstrongs' home, down the old brewery road, was the Port Koneta airport. Neil went there to watch the planes take off and land. Sometimes people paid him to wash their planes.

But watching and washing were not enough. Neil asked his parents if he could learn to fly. The lessons cost nine dollars an hour. He would have to work twenty-five hours to earn enough for one hour of flying.

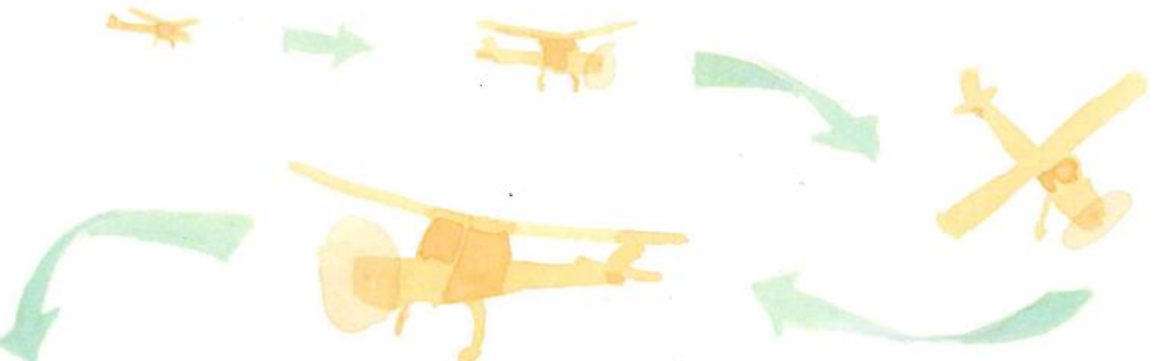
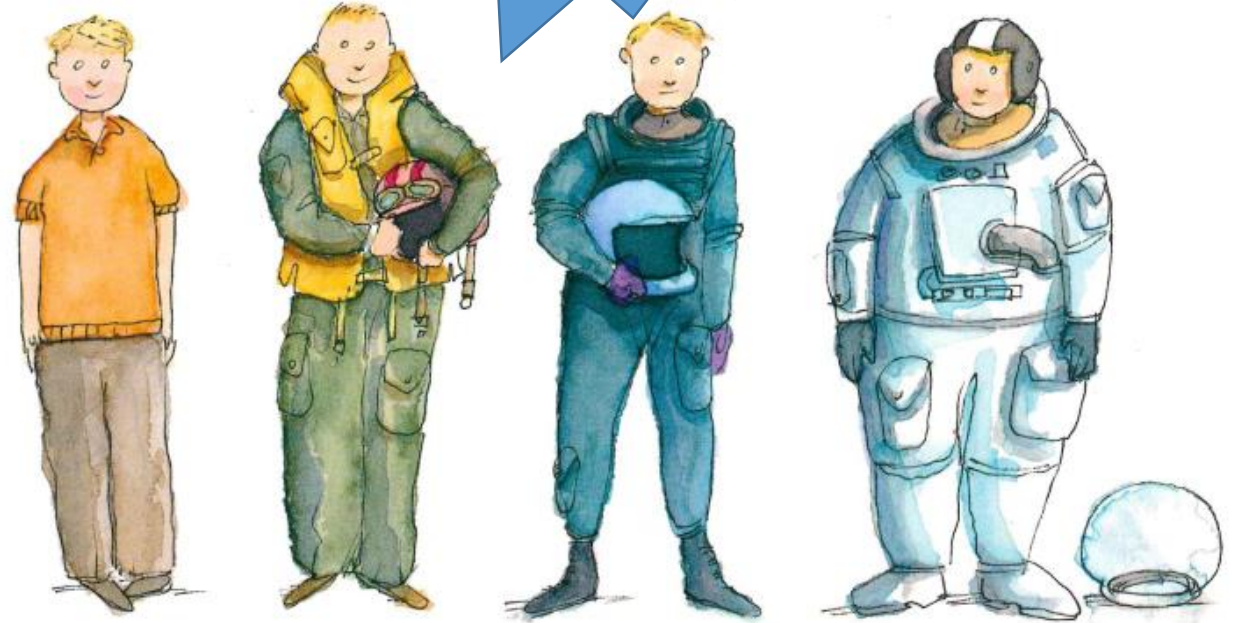
His parents agreed.

Soon afterward, Neil squeezed himself into a tiny Aeronca Champion airplane with his teacher, Aubrey Knudgard.



How did Neil
earn money?

Name two things Neil learned to do?

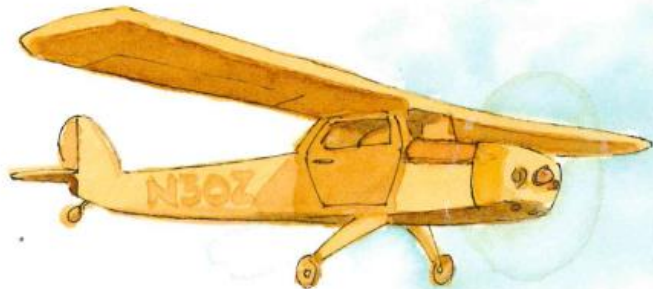


He learned to take off and land.

He learned to climb and swoop and bank.

He learned to follow a figure-eight path in the sky.

He learned that a pilot and an airplane together could be more than the person or the machine was alone.



Neil Armstrong earned his student pilot's license on his sixteenth birthday. He was too young to have an automobile driver's license.

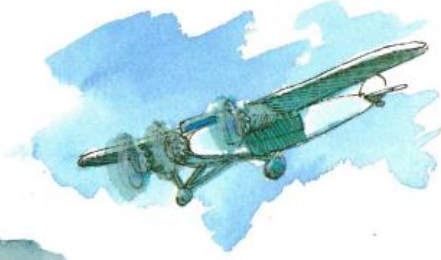
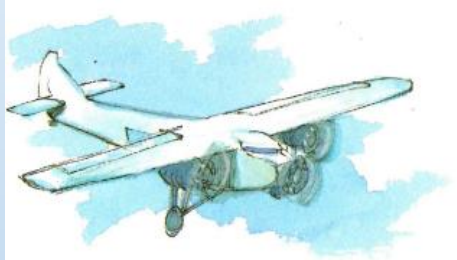
In time, Neil Armstrong, student pilot, became Neil Armstrong, navy fighter pilot in the Korean War. Then he was Neil Armstrong, test pilot, flying rocket-powered airplanes to the upper edges of the sky. Eventually he became Neil Armstrong, astronaut.

Plenary



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Read the following page:

How did Neil Armstrong feel during his ride on the Tin Goose?

Tick **one**.

Scared

Worried

Delighted

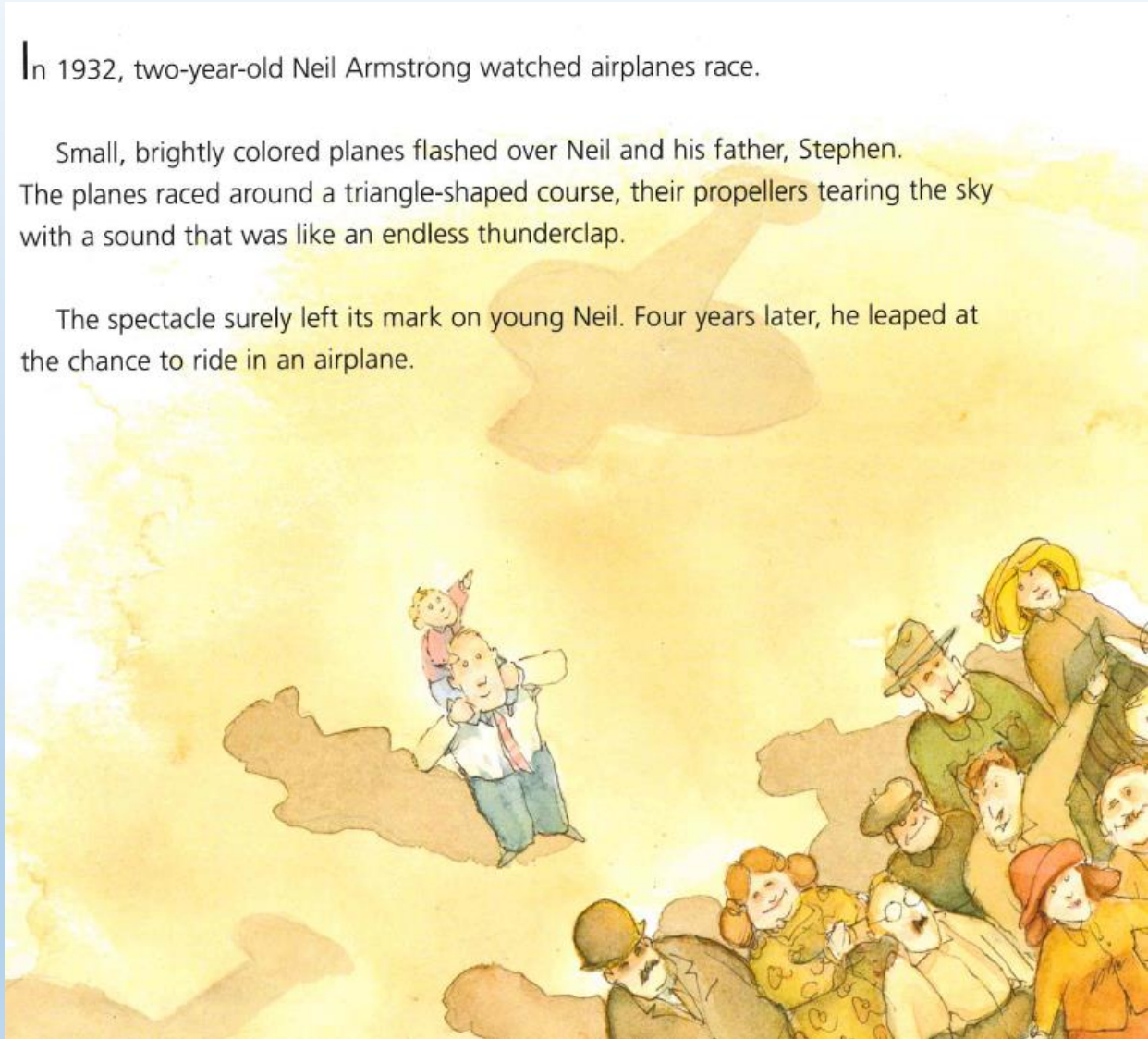
Nervous

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Tick true or false to the following sentences

	True	False
The plane course was shaped like a rectangle		
The planes were very loud		
In 1932 Neil rode in an airplane.		