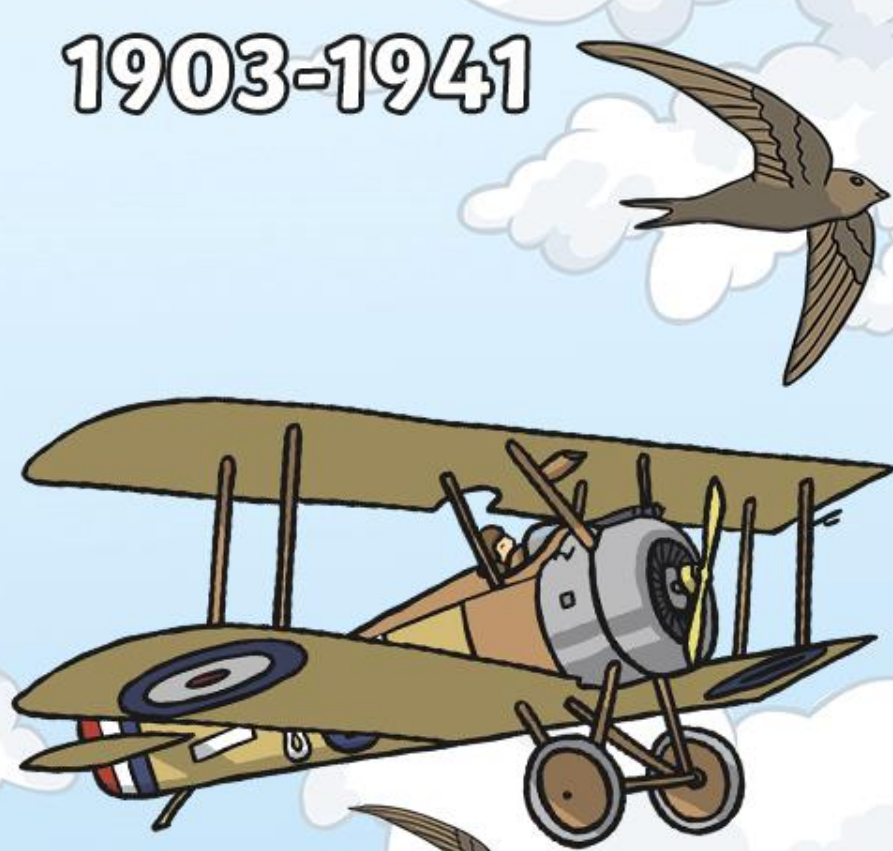


All About Amy Johnson

1903-1941



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Who Was Amy Johnson?

Amy Johnson was an aviator.
An aviator is someone who flies airplanes.

You might also call them a pilot.
Amy Johnson is Britain's most famous
female pilot.

Have you ever flown on an airplane? Would you like to become a pilot?

Amy's Childhood

Amy was born in Hull, England on 1st July 1903.

She studied at Sheffield University and moved to London in 1923.

Amy worked in an office before she became interested in flying.



Do you have an interest in something? Do you have any hobbies?

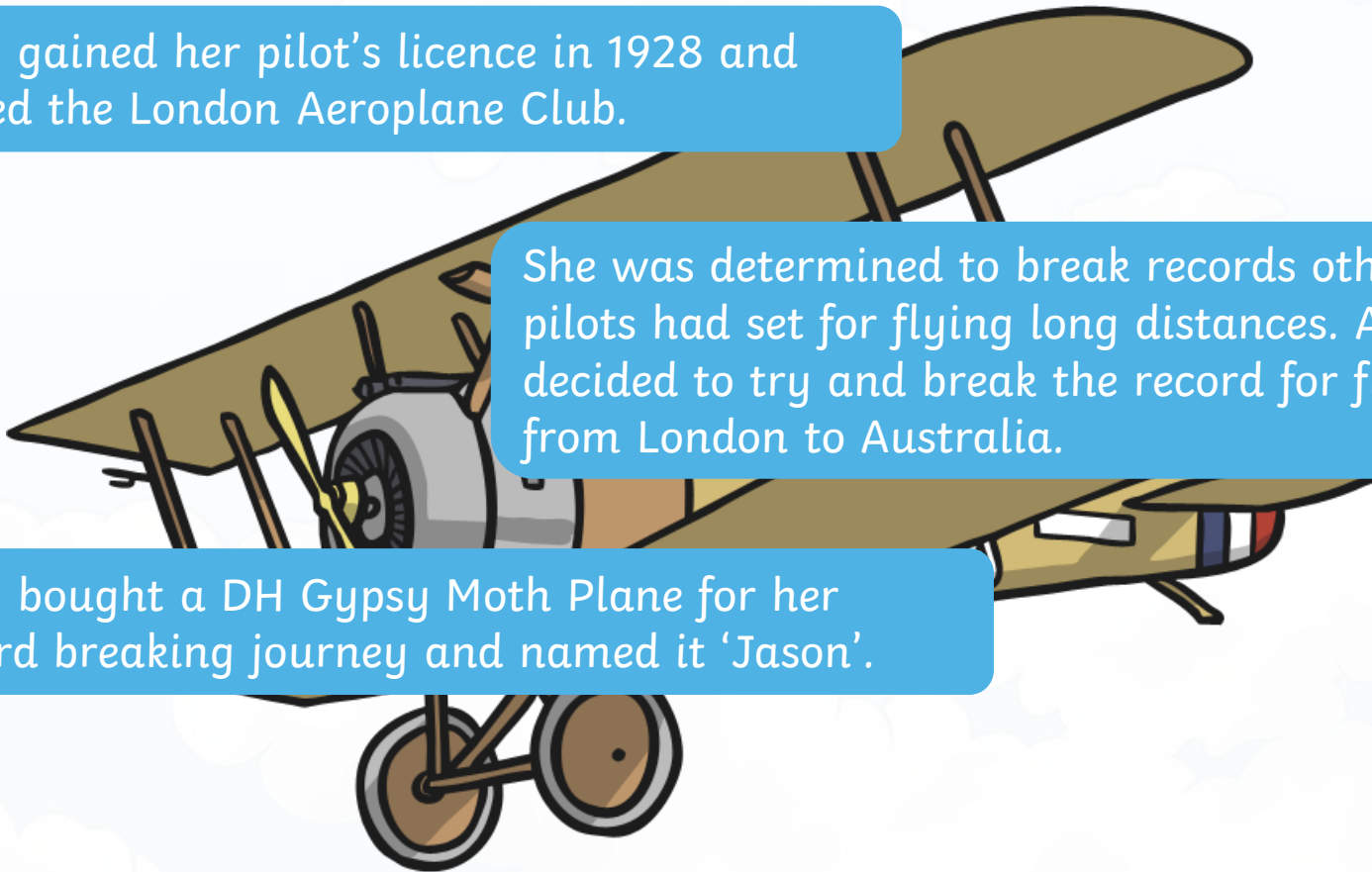


Jason the Plane

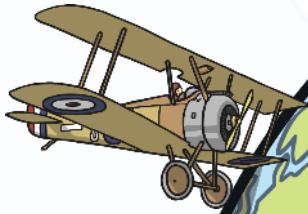
Amy gained her pilot's licence in 1928 and joined the London Aeroplane Club.

She was determined to break records other pilots had set for flying long distances. Amy decided to try and break the record for flying from London to Australia.

Amy bought a DH Gypsy Moth Plane for her record breaking journey and named it 'Jason'.



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“Queen of the Air”

Even though Amy failed to break the record for the fastest journey to Australia, she had broken a different record!

Amy was the first woman to fly solo (on her own) to Australia.

This was very brave and made Amy very popular in the newspapers. People liked her spirit and her daring attitude.



More Adventures For Amy

In 1931, Amy set a record for the fastest flight from Siberia, Russia to Tokyo, Japan.

In 1932, she set another record for a solo flight to Cape Town, South Africa.

In 1932, Amy married Scottish pilot, Jim Mollison. They flew in record time from England to India in 1934.

Helping the War Effort

In 1939, the **Second World War** began in Europe. Amy flew planes and did jobs for the RAF, the Royal Air Force.

It was a dangerous time to be a pilot.



Did You Know... ?

Hundreds of female pilots flew planes during the Second World War. Sometimes the planes were damaged or had to be moved to a different part of the country.

Mystery Disappearance

On 5th January 1941, Amy was flying a plane for the RAF on a mission.

It is thought her plane crashed into the River Thames on the way back home. No one knows exactly what happened and Amy's plane was never found.

Amy Johnson was the first woman to fly from England to Australia. She inspired many other women to learn to fly.

