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Which country does this rocket come from?

Rockets

time

45 minutes

learning outcomes

To:

- recognise the flags of Great Britain, Belgium, Sweden, France, Germany, and the Netherlands
- know that a rocket always bears the name and the flag of a country

end product

- a rocket designed by the children

materials needed

- photograph of rocket (Appendix)
- photographs of flags (Appendix)

Preparation

For the activity **Rockets with flags** you will need the photographs of flags from different countries from the Appendix. For the activity **Which country does this rocket come from?** make 12 colour photocopies of the photograph of the rocket from the Appendix.



Rockets with flags 10 min.

Ask the children what information needs to be shown on the outside of a rocket. Are there any rules for this?

What are these rules? Explain that the outside of the rocket must at least show: the name of the rocket and the name and flag of the country that launched it. Ask the children what European countries they know. Do they know what the flags of these countries look like? Explain that Great Britain, Belgium, Sweden, France Germany, and the Netherlands have an active space programme. Discuss what the flags of these countries look like. Show the photographs of the flags from the Appendix. The children complete Task 1 on the worksheet. Encourage them to colour the flags in the correct colours and write the name of the country underneath.



The children investigate the information on the outside of the rocket.



Which country does this rocket come from? 10 min.

Organise the children into pairs. Show the photograph of the rocket from the Appendix. Give a copy to each pair. What can the children see on the rocket? How can you tell which country a rocket comes from? Come to the conclusion that the outside of a rocket always shows a flag, the name of the country and the name of the rocket. Encourage the children to look at the flags in Task 1.

What flags can they see on the rocket in the photograph? Discuss the flags on the rocket and name the countries they come from. Do the children recognise the flags from the photograph in Task 1?



The children complete Task 2 on the worksheet. They draw a circle around the objects they recognise from the photograph of the rocket.



Your rocket 15 min.

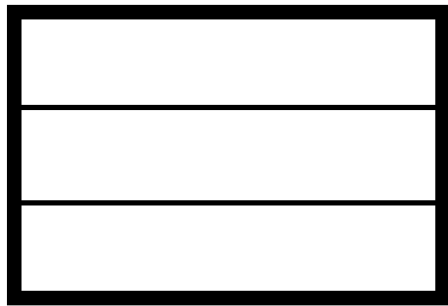
Discuss the worksheet. Were the children able to identify the correct countries from the flags? The children complete Task 3 on the worksheet. They think up a flag for the class, and give the class rocket a name.

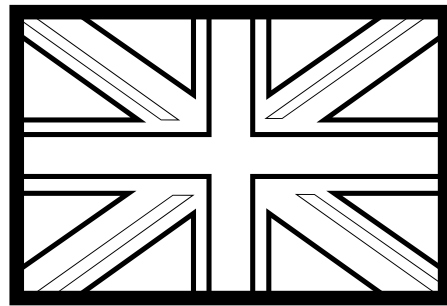


Which country does this rocket come from?

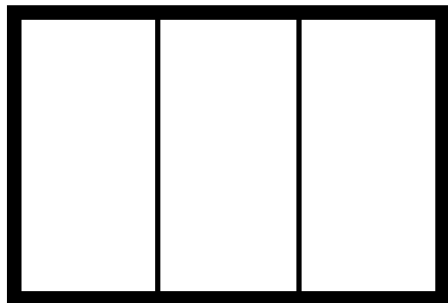
1 Rockets with flags

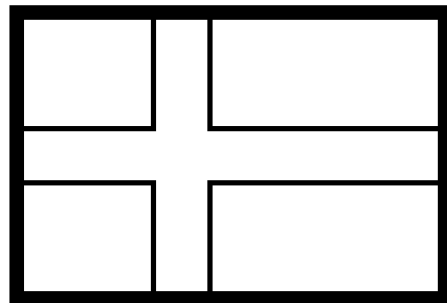
a Colour the flags of the six countries.

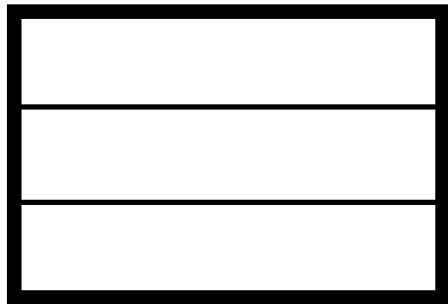


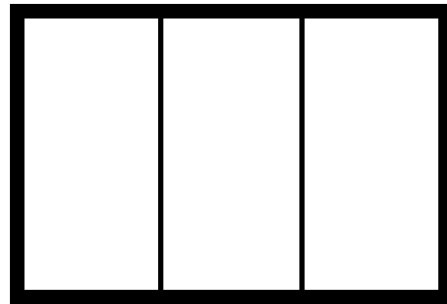


COLOUR
the flags
and WRITE
the name
of the
country









b Write the name of each country under the flag.

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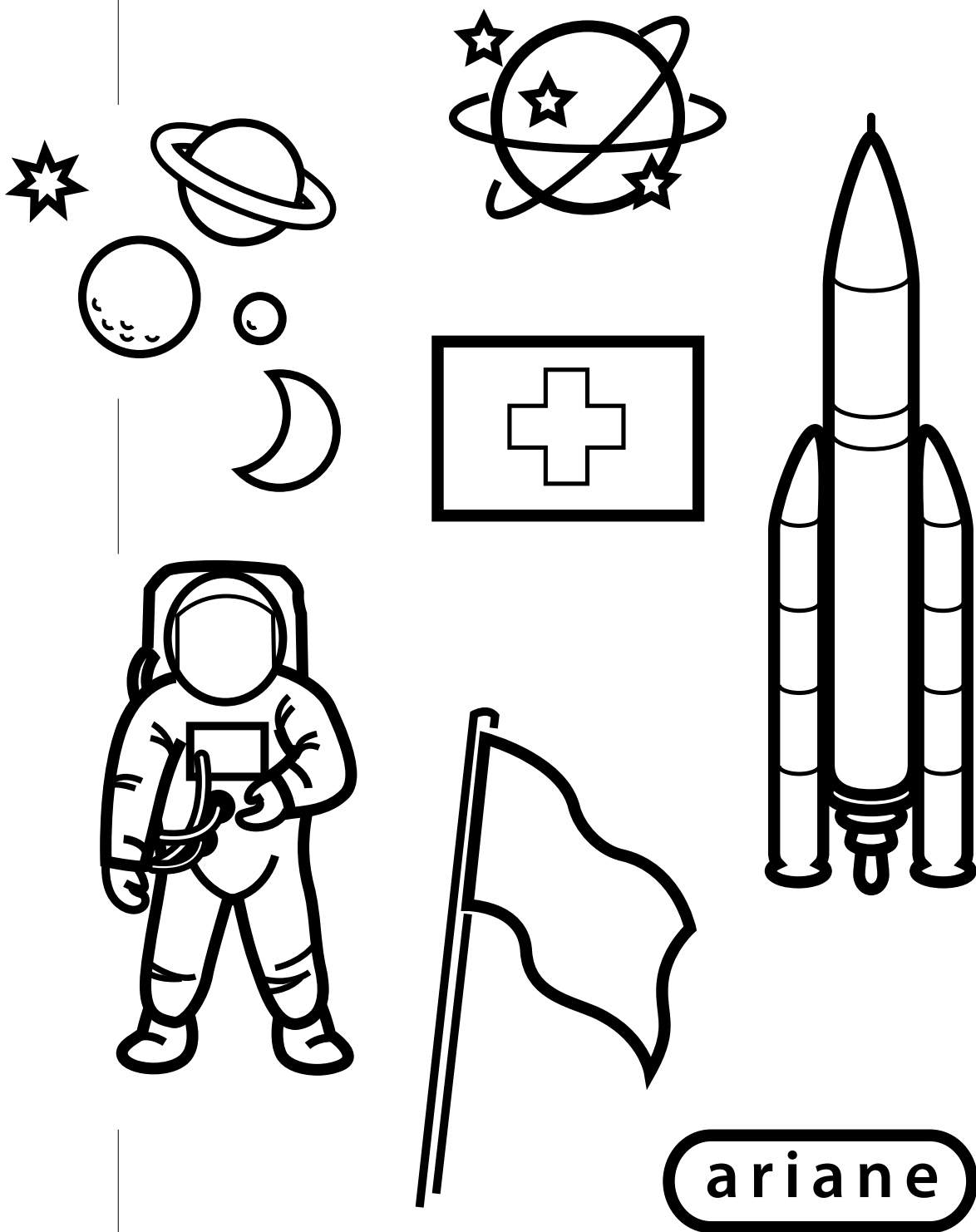
Which country does this rocket come from?

a

Circle the things you recognise from the photograph of the rocket.



CIRCLE
the correct
items

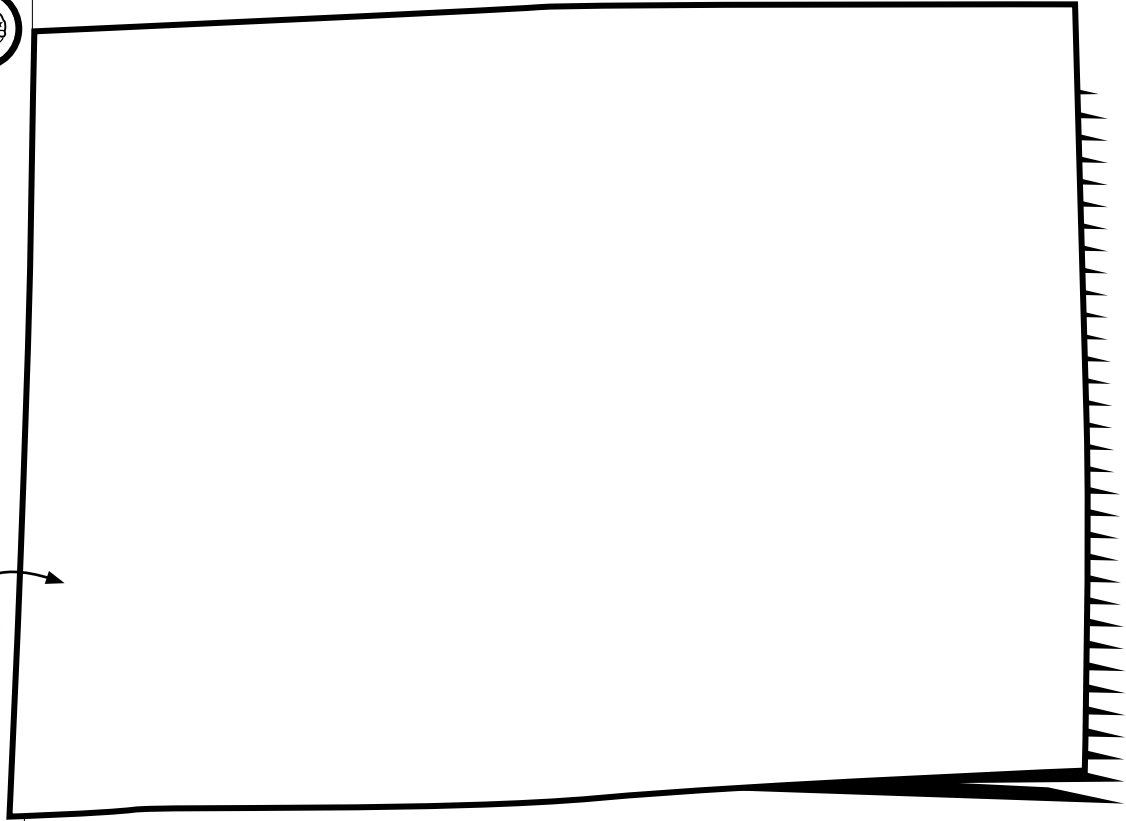


3 Your rocket

a Design a flag for your class rocket.



draw
your
flag
HERE



b Why did you choose this design? What does your flag say about your class?

c What name should you give your class rocket? Think up a name.

write
the
name
HERE



