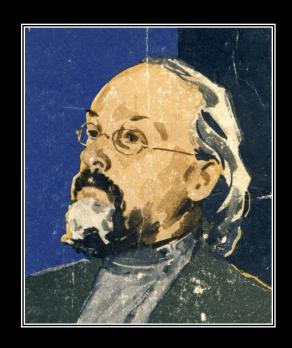
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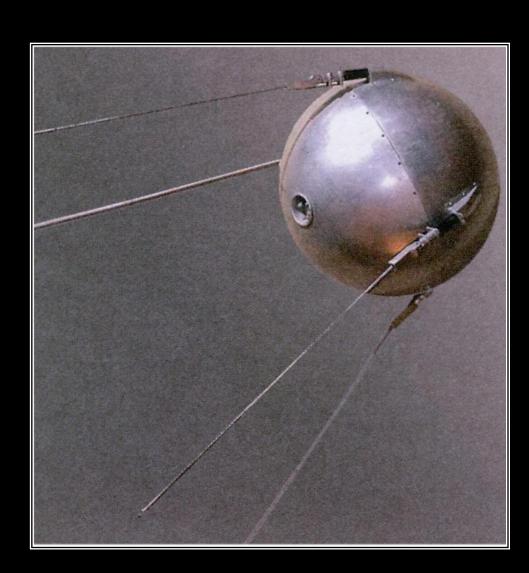


The Soviet people were the first to fly into outer space



October 4, 1957

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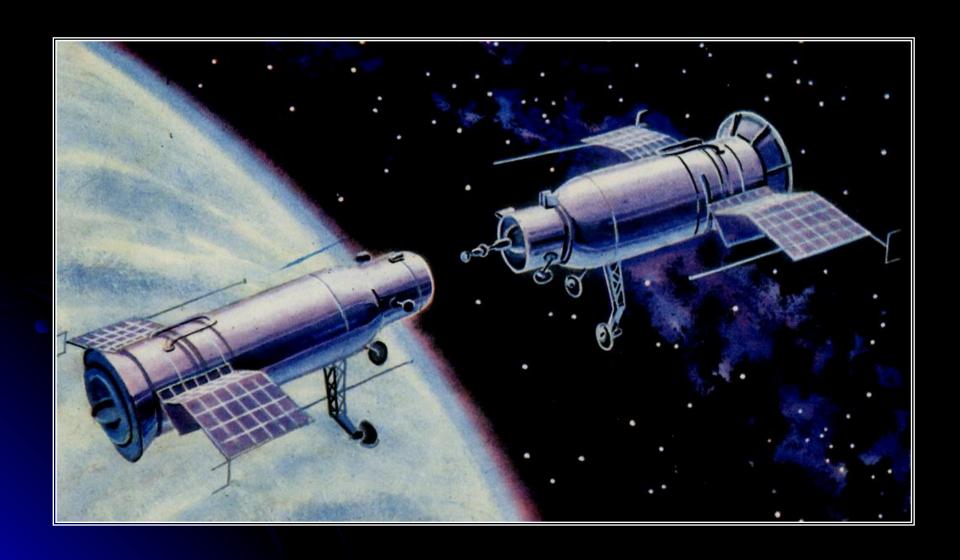
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Making space stations



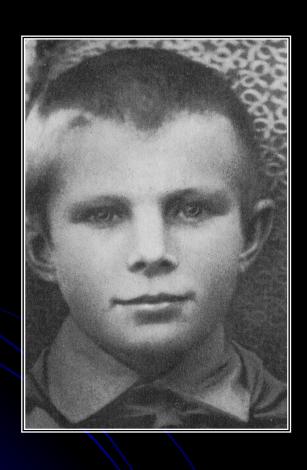
Yuri Gagarin's parents

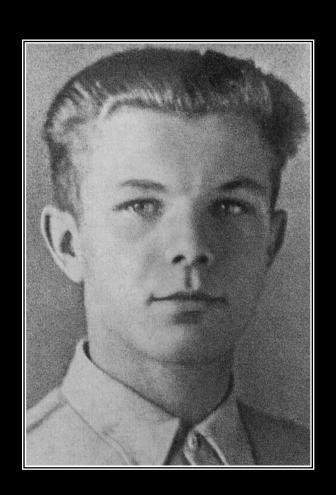


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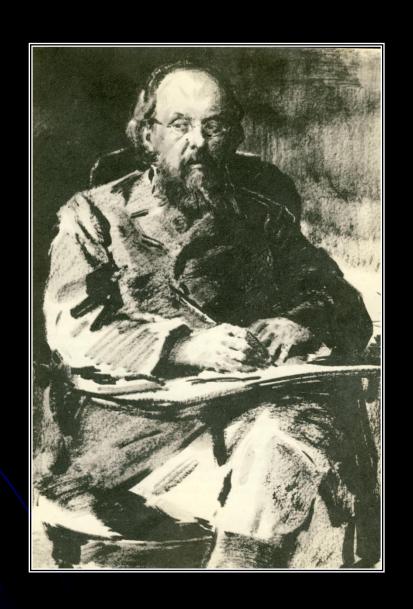
Alexei Ivanovich

He took his school studies very seriously





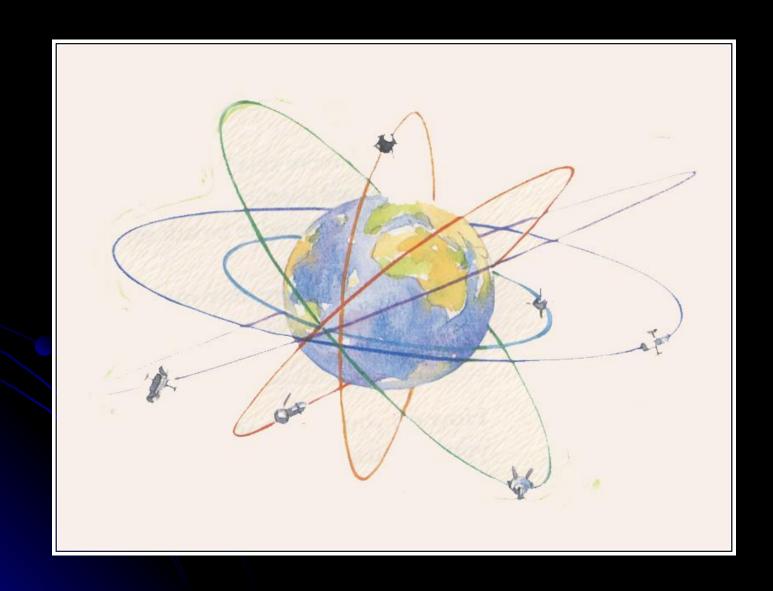
Konstantin Eduardovich TSIOLKOVSKY



At the age of 23 Yuri became a pilot



Orbiting the Earth Satellites



The first group of Soviet cosmonauts



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Before the flight



Yuri Gagarin was awarded the Gold Star of Hero



Yuri GAGARIN visited nearly every country



Among the children





"Flying round the Earth in a spaceship,
I saw how wonderful our planet was.

People, let us preserve this beauty and not destroy it."

Yuri Gagarin

