

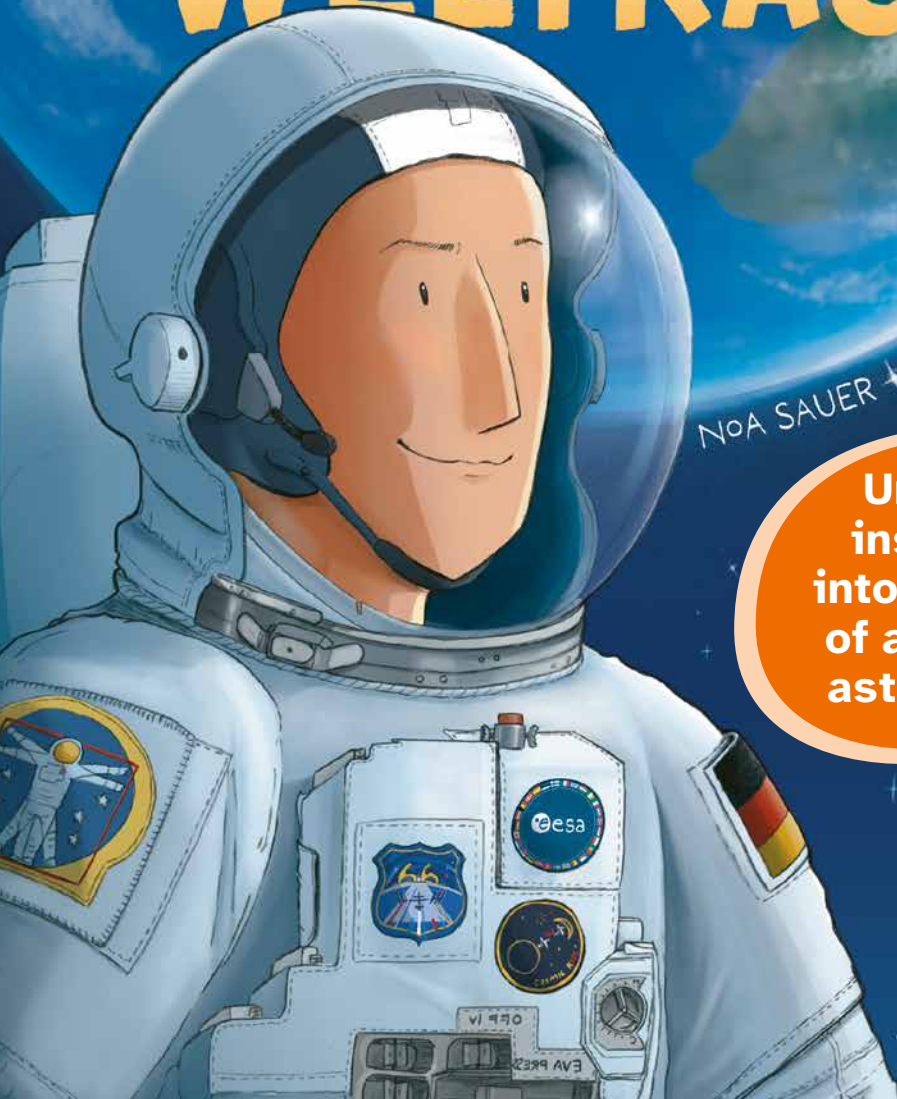
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MATTHIAS MAURER

MISSION IM WELTRAUM

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Unique
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of an ESA-
astronaut!





Mission in Space

More insights than ever into the life of an astronaut:

Matthias Maurer spent 175 days on board of the International Space Station. Every single day was an adventure! In this book the ESA-astronaut talks more personally than ever about his experiences during this incredible time: What it feels like to be launched on a rocket into space. How you can wash your hands without a sink. About dangerous space junk and a very exciting spacewalk where not everything went according to plan. A story about courage, friendship and real teamwork - with comic-style illustrations from another planet!



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With full colour illustrations
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- ◆ Insider information on Matthias Maurer's adventure on the ISS
- ◆ Unique and never been done before: Narrated by an astronaut and illustrated in an extraordinary style!
- ◆ Lift off into a galactic reading adventure

About the Publisher

- ◆ WAS IST WAS is a leading international knowledge brand for children and young people
- ◆ Tessloff has been publishing non-fiction books for children for over 60 years and is a trusted and well known publishing house in Germany
- ◆ Our licensing team has many years of experience and expertise in licensing books worldwide

MATTHIAS MAURER

Photo Matthias Maurer (@ESA/Nasa)

Astronauts used to be superheroes for him. He later realised that space travel combines all his interests. As a result, he applied to the European Space Agency (ESA) and completed his astronaut training. His biggest dream came true with the wCosmic Kiss mission.

NOA SAUER

Photo Noa Sauer (@privat)

The passionate illustrator loves to keep learning new things in her work - for example about life on board of the ISS. Her marvellous drawings make small details visible and make the book even more special.

SARAH KONRAD

Photo Sarah Konrad (@studioline), Photo Noa Sauer (@privat)

The reporter and author accompanied Matthias Maurer's mission from the very beginning. She was even there live at the rocket launch in Florida! The two have already published a book for adults together. Now they are retelling the story for children!





SHALL I SHOW YOU THE CUPOLA?

YES! DEFINITELY!



LET'S GO THEN!



HEY, HEY! FLOAT SLOWLY, MATTHIAS, SLOWLY!

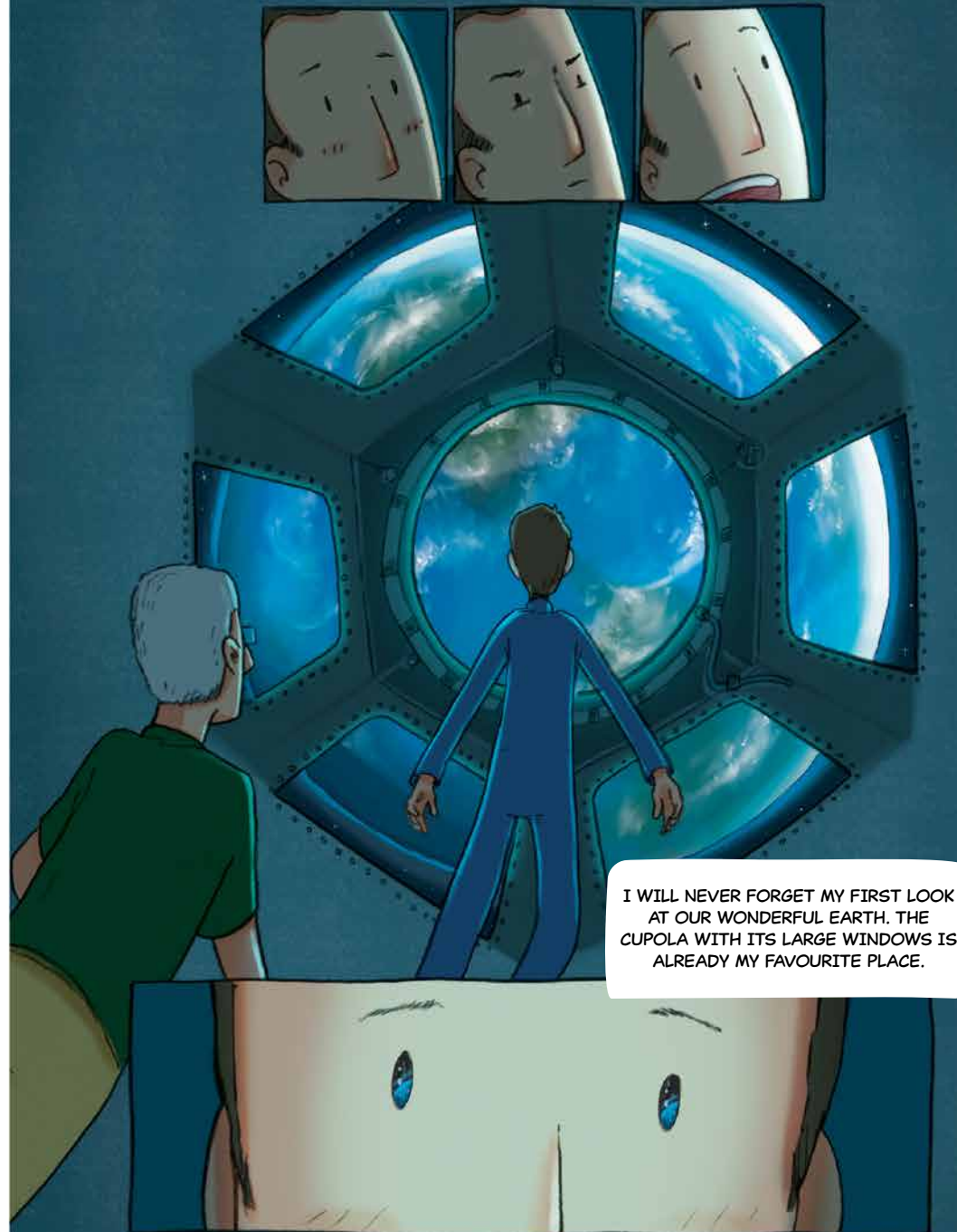
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THE WINDOW SHUTTERS ARE STILL CLOSED.



YOU HAVE TO TURN THE KNOB TO OPEN THEM.

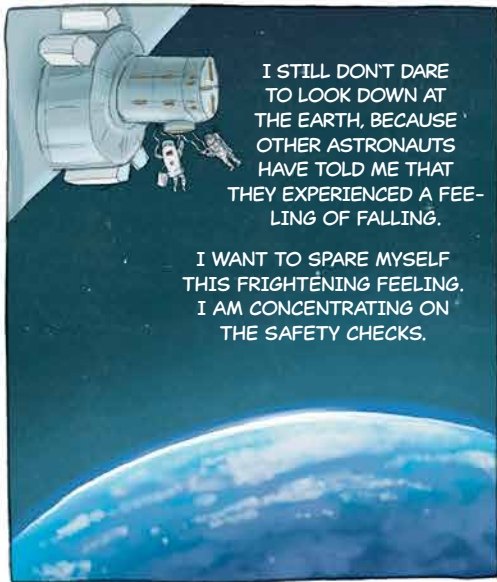


I WILL NEVER FORGET MY FIRST LOOK AT OUR WONDERFUL EARTH. THE CUPOLA WITH ITS LARGE WINDOWS IS ALREADY MY FAVOURITE PLACE.

DON'T LOOK DOWN NOW ... LET'S ATTACH THE TETHERS FIRST...

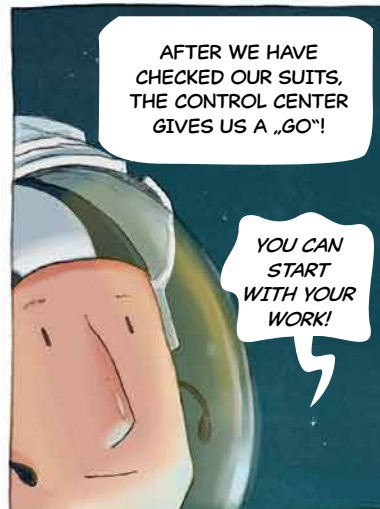


HOUSTON, SAFETY TETHER INSTALLED! HOOK CLOSED AND SECURE.



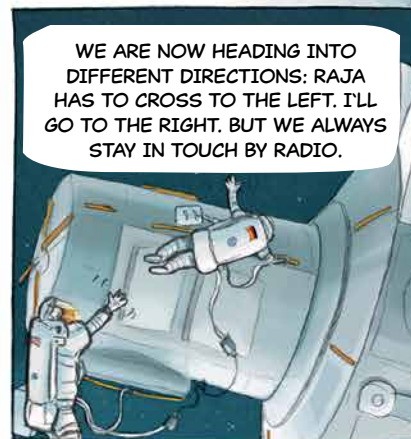
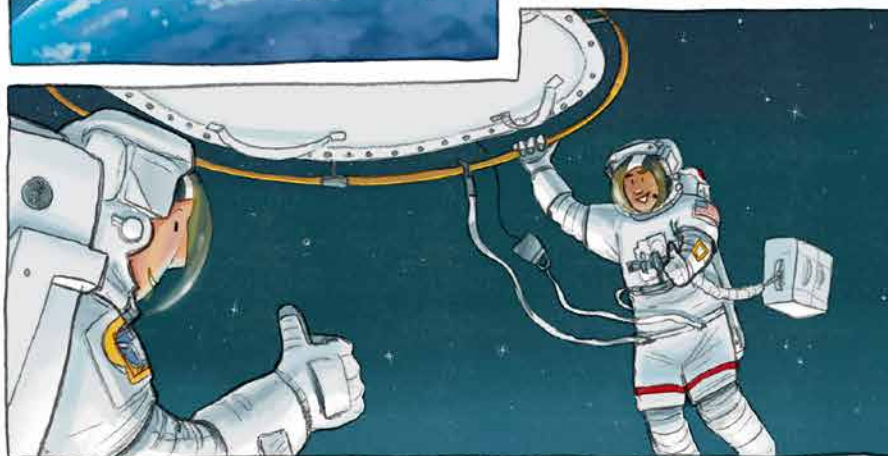
I STILL DON'T DARE TO LOOK DOWN AT THE EARTH, BECAUSE OTHER ASTRONAUTS HAVE TOLD ME THAT THEY EXPERIENCED A FEELING OF FALLING.

I WANT TO SPARE MYSELF THIS FRIGHTENING FEELING. I AM CONCENTRATING ON THE SAFETY CHECKS.

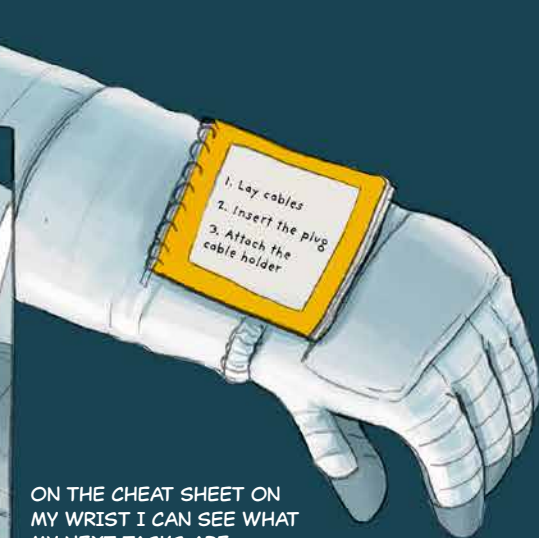


AFTER WE HAVE CHECKED OUR SUITS, THE CONTROL CENTER GIVES US A „GO“!

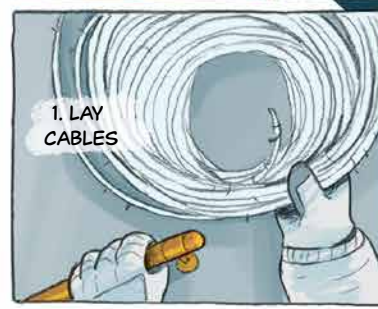
YOU CAN START WITH YOUR WORK!



WE ARE NOW HEADING INTO DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS: RAJA HAS TO CROSS TO THE LEFT. I'LL GO TO THE RIGHT. BUT WE ALWAYS STAY IN TOUCH BY RADIO.



ON THE CHEAT SHEET ON MY WRIST I CAN SEE WHAT MY NEXT TASKS ARE.

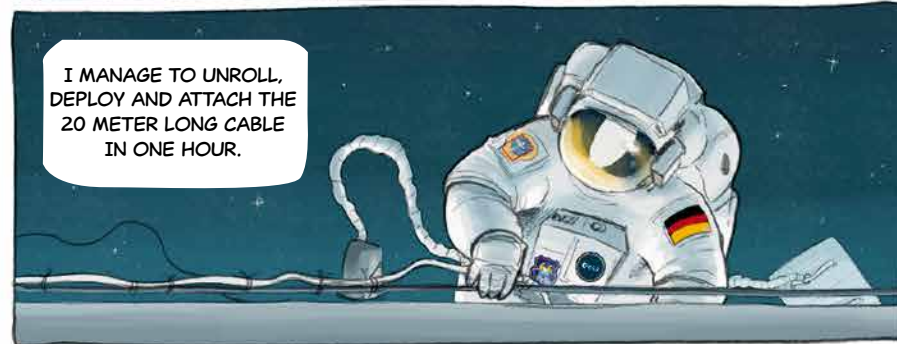


1. LAY CABLES



IF I MOVE CAREFULLY, NOTHING CAN GO WRONG.

LUCKILY WE'VE ALREADY PRACTICED A LOT FOR THIS SPACE-WALK ON EARTH.



I MANAGE TO UNROLL, DEPLOY AND ATTACH THE 20 METER LONG CABLE IN ONE HOUR.



"My decision to strive to become an astronaut was profoundly influenced in my early years by 'WAS IST WAS Der Mond'. With my book 'WAS IST WAS Mission im Weltraum' I hope to inspire many children to dream about space and to encourage them to passionately follow their very own dream."

Matthias Maurer, ESA-Astronaut

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