

Floating in Space

Sandy was excited. Her suitcase was packed with her favorite t-shirts, pants, and socks. Sandy, her mother, father, and older brother were going to the International Space Station for one month!

In the morning, a black car took Sandy's family to the rocket. Everyone changed into orange space suits. They sat down and put on their seatbelts. Sandy sat by the window. T minus 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1... and BLASTOFF!

Sandy heard the engine. She saw a big white cloud outside her window. Up, up, up! Sandy and her family were flying towards outer space! Suddenly she felt very light. Sandy was floating!

On Earth, Sandy used a wheelchair. She couldn't walk. Here in space, she didn't need to use her legs. She moved her arms and did a flip in mid-air. This was fun!

Sandy "swam" to the window and looked out. Wow! The Earth was so beautiful. She saw the blue ocean, the green and yellow land, and the white clouds. She took some photos. Sandy wanted to show her friends their beautiful home, so they would take good care of it.

Sandy watched the Earth get smaller and smaller. She wondered what her new home would be like. Would she have a window to see the moon and the stars? Would the sun look brighter from outer space? She felt sleepy.

THUNK. They were at the International Space Station. She must have fallen asleep. This space station looked so small in the photos, but now it looked so big. Time to explore her new home!