Black History Month is an annual celebration in February of achievements by black people and a time for recognizing their central role in US history.

Kamala Harris

- Kamala was born in 1964.
- Kamala is the first African American and Asian American woman elected vice president in US history.
- Before becoming vice president, Kamala was the senator of California from 2017-2020.

Mae Jemison

- Mae was born in 1956.
- Mae is an engineer, physician, and former NASA astronaut.
- She became the first black woman to travel into space when she served as a mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour in 1992.

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Rocket like Mae Jemison

Materials:

- Assortment of construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Colored pencils (optional)

How to:

1. Create a paper rocket ship by cutting out the shapes. Cut a long rectangle for the body of the ship, a triangle for the top of the ship, little circles or squares for the windows, two rhombuses for the fins at the bottom of the rocket, and wavy flames for the exhaust.
2. Glue or tape all the pieces of the rocket as seen in the picture.
3. To enhance learning, have your child look up pictures of Mae Jemison in space and read a book about Mae, such as Mae Among the Stars.

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom!
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going to the moon!
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going very soon!
If you want to take a trip, climb aboard my rocketship!
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going to the moon!
Zoom, zoom, zoom
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In 5-4-3-2-1
BLAST OFF!

Mae Among The Stars
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