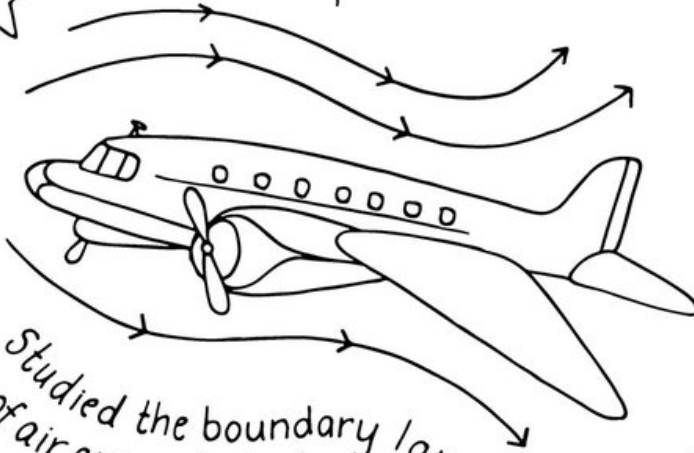


# Mary Winston Jackson

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Studied the boundary layers  
of air around airplanes



Mary Winston Jackson was an American mathematician and aerospace engineer. In 1958, she became the first African-American female engineer to work at NASA. Her contributions to Project Mercury were highlighted in Margot Lee Shetterly's book, "Hidden Figures," which was made into a film in 2016, highlighting Jackson alongside fellow NASA mathematicians Katherine Johnson and Dorothy Vaughan. As Jackson's daughter Carolyn Lewis said, "She was a scientist, humanitarian, wife, mother, and trailblazer who paved the way for thousands of others to succeed, not only at NASA, but throughout this nation."

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