## Counting on Katherine

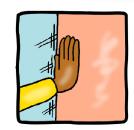
How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13

## **RIF VOCABULARY SCAFFOLD**

**Mathematician:** someone who specializes in math



**Force:** the amount of physical power with which something moves or hits another thing



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**Imagination:** the ability to form pictures or ideas in your mind



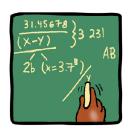
**Launch:** to send a spacecraft into the sky



**Segregated:** a segregated school or workplace can only be attended by people by one race



**Calculations:** using numbers to find an amount or value



NASA: National Aeronautics and Space Administration is a US government organization that controls space travel and the scientific study of space



**Gravity:** the force that causes something to fall to the ground or to be attracted to another planet



**Precise:** very exact and careful about small details



**Apollo 13:** the third space mission mean to land on the moon



