# The Pilot and the Little Prince

# THE LIFE OF ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY

## **RIF EXTENSION ACTIVITIES FOR EDUCATORS**

### THINK-TAC-TOE ACTIVITY OPTIONS

- Individual students can choose an activity to complete.
- Student pairs or cooperative groups can work together on a choice of their own.
- Educator can assign an activity for an individual, pairs, or groups.

#### HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

You're a newspaper reporter in WWII when Antoine's plane goes missing. Write an article about Antoine and his life. It is your job to determine the most important facts about Antoine to include in the article. Include a picture in your article, and don't forget to come up with an interesting headline! Use a word processor to format your story like a real newspaper article.

Technology, Art, Writing

#### **BREAKING BARRIERS**

Bessie Coleman, known as Queen Bess, was the first Black female aviator. Mae Jemison was the first Black woman to travel to outer space. Research to learn more about Bessie and Mae. What do they have in common? Write an imaginary conversation between the two of them or act out your conversation for the class with a partner.

Science, Technology, Writing

#### PLANE AS DAY

Make 4 paper airplanes; give each plane a number or name. Choose a starting line and fly your planes. Measure the distance each plane travels. Experiment by adding paper clips to the wings. How does the added weight affect flight distance? Be creative in how you decide to present your findings to the class (graphs, charts, pictures, etc.).

Science, Engineering, Art, Math

#### WORLD TRAVELER

It's time for a trip! Choose 3 places on at least 2 different continents to visit. Find the distance between each destination and map out the shortest routes to complete your trip. Include the estimated travel time by air, boat, train, or car. Be prepared to present your journey to the class and explain why you chose those destinations.

Math, Technology

#### **DEAR DIARY**

Imagine you're Antoine at age 10, 25, or 40. After choosing an age, write a daily journal with entries for 1 week. Describe what was happening in Antoine's life and how he might have felt. Use the book as a guide; include details about what daily life was like during this time. How would a week in Antoine's life be different than a week in your life today?

Science, Technology, Writing

#### **VINTAGE VEHICLES**

Research at least 5 different types of air transportation over the years. Find out when each was invented, its power source, and whether or not it's still used today. Choose one of the following ways to share your information:

- Poster
- ModelsPowerpoint
- Book or brochure
  - I owerpoi

Science, Technology, Engineering, Art



#### DARING DESIGN

Antoine was a creative person. He often wrote while flying his plane. Design an aircraft that would offer Antoine everything he would need as a creative pilot. What special features would it have? Would it have extra safety measures to keep from crashing while Antoine wrote? Draw or build a model of your design. Label or be prepared to explain its special features.

Art, Engineering

## A GREAT DEBATE

It's the 1920s, and you want to be a pilot. Considering the dangers in these early days of aviation, you need to convince your family to let you pursue this career. Write a letter explaining why you should be a pilot. Give at least 3 reasons and use supporting evidence to back up your argument.

Technology, Writing

#### PARLEZ-VOUS FRANÇAIS?

Antoine was born in France, which was the center of aviation when airplanes were invented. Look up 5 words in French that relate to flying or airplanes and choose one activity to use the words in:

- A poem
- An illustration or comic strip
- A brochure on how to fly an airplane

Art, Science, Technology

