Unit 3 – Team challenge

Team C – The Mars Generation

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Alyssa Carson: I first got interested in the idea of going to Mars when I was three years old.

Voice over: And liftoff! Liftoff!

Bert Carson (Alyssa's father): She wants to be the first, or one of the first, to go to Mars.

Ryan Cook (Principal of Alyssa's School): She's a regular kid with a dream that she's willing to pursue.

Man (from NASA): Space flight is very risky business. You have to take it serious(*ly*) or... you would (*might*) die.

Alyssa: If the option was to go to Mars and never come back, I would still wanna go and be a part of the mission.

Bert Carson: When Alyssa was younger, I remember Alyssa coming to me and asking me, had human beings ever been to Mars? And I explained to her that, you know, we'd been to the moon, but not Mars, but it would be her generation to become the Mars Generation and go to Mars.

Alyssa: This would be something really cool, I mean, going to space and then land(*ing*) on other planets.

Bert: Little did I know that I would be raising a child that I am supporting to leave this planet.

Alyssa: I do everything that every other normal kid does, except on the side I'm training to become an astronaut and go to Mars.