

Launching of space shuttle Columbia



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Description

Carrying the first commercial satellite payload in the history of the STS program, and the first four-man crew in a single launch in the history of space flight, space shuttle Columbia lifts away from Launch Pad 39A on schedule at 7:19 A.M., beginning STS-5, the first operational flight for the Shuttle system.

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