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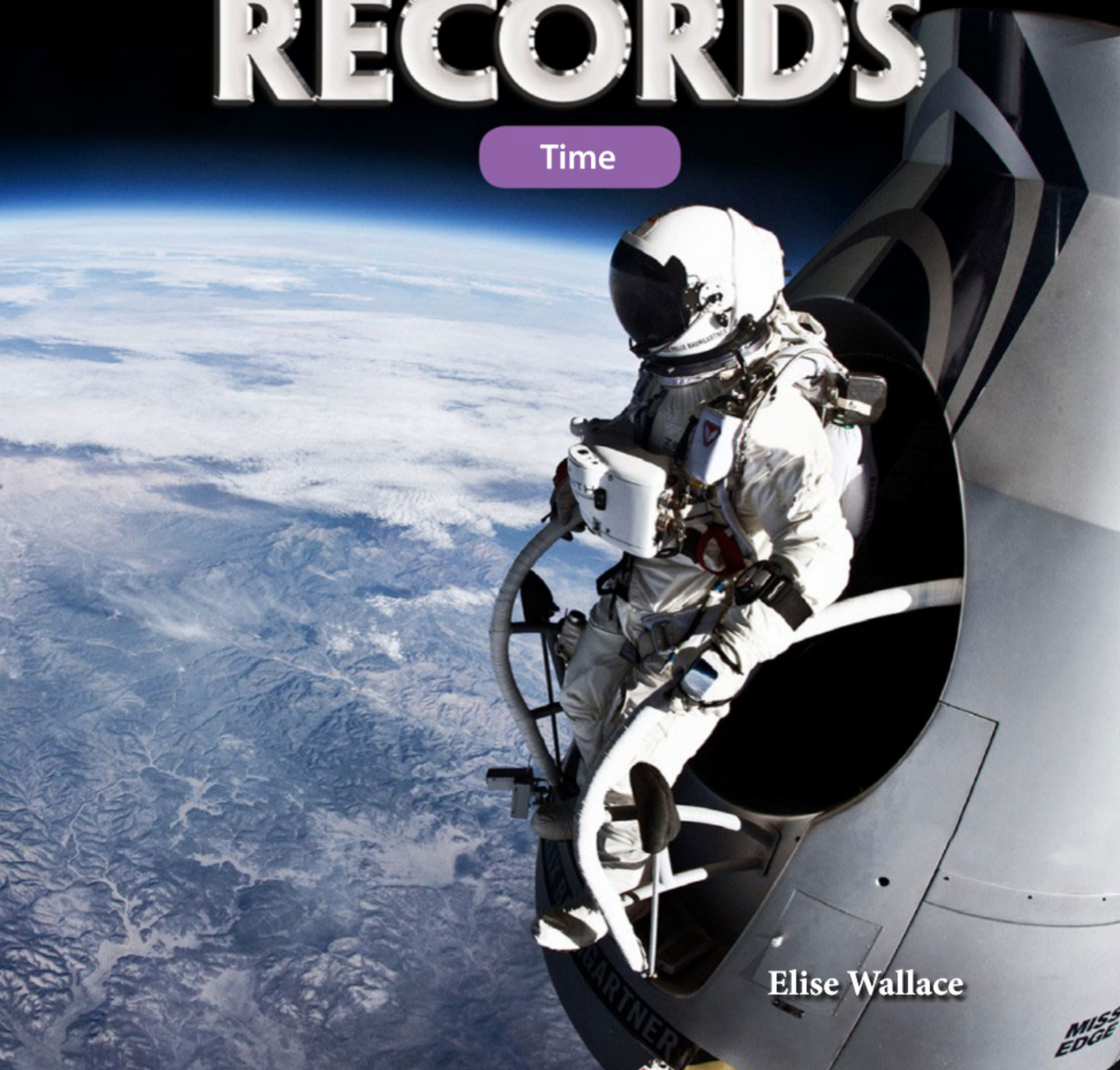
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WORLD RECORDS

Time



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Making Record Time

Ready? Set? Go! It's time to explore some of the most amazing races in the world. Ever heard of piggyback racing? How about speed skydiving? Participants in these competitions hope to set new world **records**. They will do anything to achieve their goals. These are their stories.

You will meet a lot of interesting people trying to be the best in their field. You'll meet people like Edd China. He is the brains behind the fastest toilet in the world. You'll also meet furry friends like Sweet Pea, a talented pup. Sweet Pea set the record for walking the fastest 100 meters (328 feet) *while* balancing a soda can.



Inventor Edd China races the world's fastest toilet in London.

These adventurous **competitors** will take us from land to sea. They will take us from open fields to great heights. The competitions may seem silly. But, the participants are serious. Each of them has worked hard to make record **time**. Hold on tight. It's sure to be an interesting ride.

A skydiver free falls from an airplane before pulling his parachute.

LET'S EXPLORE MATH

Selena and Adam are designing races for a class competition. They need to select **units** to measure the time it takes to finish each race.

1. Is it better to measure the time it takes to hop around the classroom in minutes or hours? Explain your reasoning.
2. Is it better to measure the time it takes to write your name in minutes or seconds? Explain your reasoning.



Usain Bolt competes in the men's 200-meter final at the 2013 World Athletics Championships.

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