

## **LESSON - 8**

## The Earth's Envoy

## **NOTES:**

## **Summary:**

On April 12, 1961 Russian cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first human to journey into outer space. On this day, a crowd of people gathered to see him off. Cheers and shouts went up from the crowd when the rocket was about to take him out into the vast expanses of the universe. The spaceship with Yuri Gagarin aboard orbited the earth and landed safely in a field near the city of Saratov. He was received by crowds of people at Red Square. Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, India, Ceylon, Great Britain, the United States-everywhere people gave their warmest welcome to Yuri Gagarin. This was a magnificent triumph of mankind that thrilled the whole world.

