

# NASA MOON ROCKET SET FOR LAUNCH TODAY

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NASA's new moon rocket remained on track to blast off on a crucial test flight on Monday, despite a series of lightning strikes at the launch pad.

The 98-metre Space Launch System rocket is the most powerful ever built by NASA. It's poised to send an empty crew capsule into lunar orbit, a half-century after NASA's Apollo programme, which landed 12 astronauts on the moon.

Astronauts could return to the moon in a few years, if this six-week test flight goes well.

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