

The Mystery of Flight MH370

Flight MH370, carrying 239 people, became the world's greatest **aviation** mystery when it vanished on its way from **Kuala Lumpur** to **Beijing** on March 8, 2014.

The aircraft was a **Boeing 777** powered by **Rolls Royce Trent 800** engines.

Malaysia and China as well as Australia called off a two-year 107 million pounds underwater search in the southern Indian Ocean in January 2017 after finding no trace of the aircraft.

Captain Zaharie Shah was **piloting** MH370 when it last made contact with **air traffic control** at 1.19am over the South China Sea. Only moments later, MH370 disappeared from **radar** screens following a routine switch from Malaysian to Vietnamese channels.

Will Flight MH370 ever be found?

MH370's relatives of the victims have had to **endure** five agonising years of not knowing what happened to their loved ones.

If MH370's **fuselage** was ever found, the **flight data recorder** and **cockpit voice recorder** would provide invaluable **evidence**.

The only available evidence as to MH370's fate is based on painstaking analysis of satellite "pings" automatically transmitted from the aircraft's **Rolls Royce** engines each hour until it disappeared.



Five plausible scenarios for MH370's fate:

- Pilot-assisted **suicide**: a pilot on board intentionally hijacked his own aircraft in order to take his own life and kill everyone on board.
- MH370 was **hijacked** by Captain Zaharie Shah with the intention of landing or ditching, surviving and escaping.
- MH370 was hijacked by a passenger or another cabin crew member.
- MH370 was hijacked **remotely** in a sophisticated acts of **cyberterrorism**.
- MH370 was seized by a **stowaway** concealed in the **avionics** bay with the skills to control communications and pilot the aircraft out of sight.

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Vocabulary

- 1) Aviation _____
- 2) Kuala Lumpur _____
- 3) Beijing _____
- 4) Boeing _____
- 5) Roll Royce _____
- 6) Piloting _____
- 7) Air traffic control _____
- 8) Radar _____
- 9) Endure _____
- 10) Fuselage _____
- 11) Flight data recorder _____
- 12) Cockpit voice recorder _____
- 13) Evidence _____
- 14) Suicide _____
- 15) Hijacked _____
- 16) Remotely _____
- 17) Cyberterrorism _____
- 18) Stowaway _____



What else I would like to know