

## Twitter Thread by People\_of\_Space: Nicholas



People\_of\_Space: Nicholas

@People\_Of\_Space



So another thread on..... Mars, this time the early years of the space age

**#CountdowntoMars #Mars #Perseverance**



1964 was a vintage year. The Beatles, Goldfinger, (consults notes – I was very young at the time), my christening and..... oh yes, JPL sent the first missions to the Red Planet [@carolynporco](#)



What people forget is that even then so very little was known about the Red Planet as it was not easy to see with then state-of-the art equipment – in that same year of 1964 the official USAF Cartography Center map of Mars still had canals drawn on it as ridiculous as it seems

