

Bundesluftwaffe

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F-4F PHANTOM

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On May 24, 1973 during a roll-out ceremony at the McDonnell-Douglas Plant in St. Louis, Missouri, the first of the newest generation of German fighters was officially handed over to the Luftwaffe. The aircraft was a McDonnell-Douglas F-4F Phantom, latest in the series of Phantoms produced at the St. Louis plant. (The F-4G, K, L and M had all been in production several years. The F-4F had been under development for some time, hence the fact of its being produced later.) The F-4F embodies all of the technological advances and lessons learned through the 18 years of Phantom development, from prototype mock-up in 1955 through the 1973 introduction of the F-4F version.

The major difference between this latest Phantom and all the others is the recent introduction of "slats" to the wing leading edges. The "slats" are extended when the aircraft is pulled into a tight turn or pulled up sharply. They prevent the separation of air flow over the wings and result in a tremendously improved turning ability for the airplane, something that was shown to be needed in combat with MiGs of all types in Vietnam.

The F-4F Phantom II, as originally ordered for the Luftwaffe, was a single-seat aircraft based on the F-4E, but having the Sparrow missiles and their associated radar and "black boxes" eliminated. Without the Sparrows

there was no need for an R.I.O. (Radar Intercept Officer) in the back seat, as the Sidewinder heat-seeking missiles can be aimed and fired by the pilot alone. But during the course of developing the F-4F the decision was made to keep the rear seat and controls. Although the Sparrows are deleted, McDonnell-Douglas says that the capability for their installation is retained along with the mountings for the necessary equipment.

Also retained on the F-4F is the potent ground attack capability of the Phantom series comprising a centerline and four underwing store stations. On these hard points it is possible to hang either external fuel tanks (except on inboard pylons) or a broad variety of offensive stores. Certain of the component parts of this latest Phantom are being made or are scheduled to be made in Germany. They include the canopies, outer wing panels, rear fuselage, fin, rudder, stabilators, ailerons, landing gear doors, engine access doors and spoilers.

So successful have the modifications and improvements to this aircraft been, that the U.S.A.F. has adopted most of the features for retro-fit on all U.S.A.F. F-4E Phantoms. This will bring the F-4E up to F-4F standards. And apart from some equipment differences, they will be nearly identical to their German cousins.

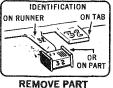
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HELPFUL MODELING HINTS

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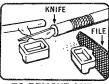
BEFORE YOU BEGIN





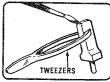
WHEN CALLED FOR

2. Trim away excess plastic.

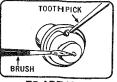


TO REMOVE AND TRIM PARTS

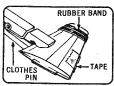
3. Use cement sparingly; too much will damage your model.



TO HOLD **PARTS**



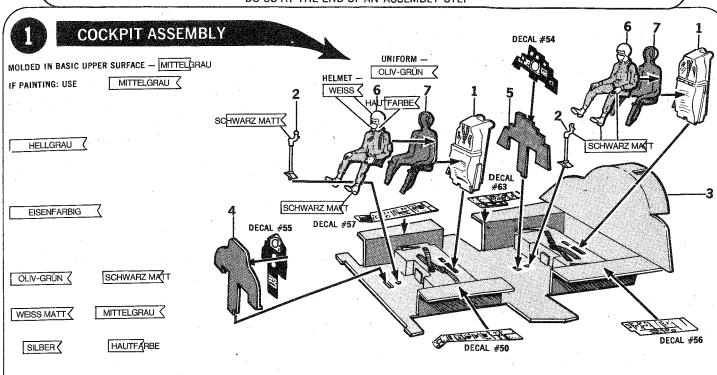
TO APPLY CEMENT



TO HOLD PARTS AFTER CEMENTING

- Paint small parts before detaching from runner.
- 5. TO OBTAIN A GOOD BOND, REMOVE PAINT WHERE PARTS ARE TO BE CEMENTED.

IF YOU WISH TO STOP AT ANY POINT DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF YOUR MODEL, DO SO AT THE END OF AN ASSEMBLY STEP

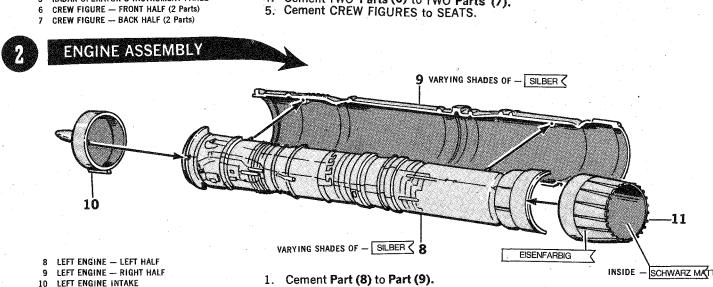


- SEAT BACK (2 Parts)
- **CONTROL COLUMN (2 Parts)**
- COCKPIT FLOOR
- PILOT'S INSTRUMENT PANEL
- RADAR OPERATOR'S INSTRUMENT PANEL

- Cement two Parts (1) and two Parts (2) to Part (3).

Cement Parts (10) and (11) to Parts (8) and (9).

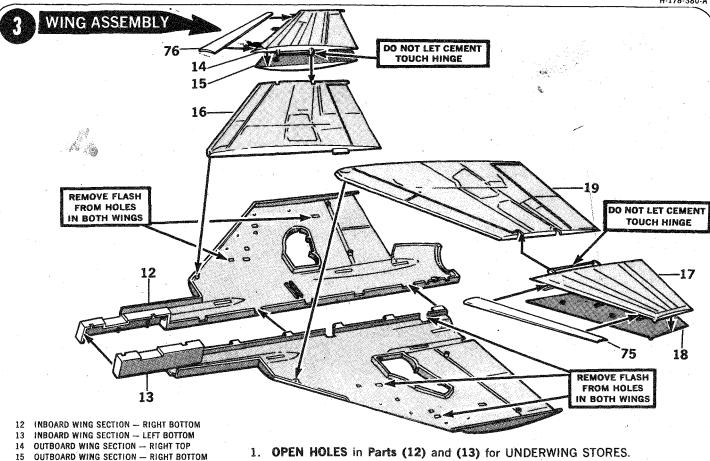
- Apply DECALS to Parts (3), (4) and (5). 2.
- 3. Cement (4) and (5) to Part (3).
- Cement TWO Parts (6) to TWO Parts (7).
- 5. Cement CREW FIGURES to SEATS.



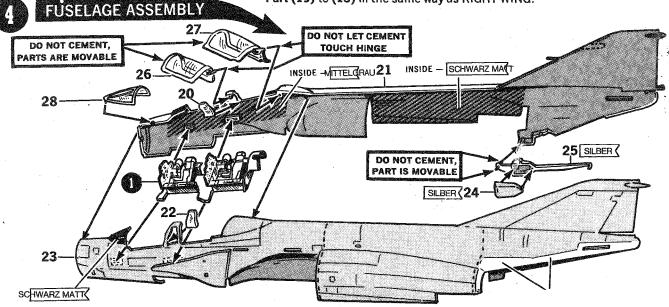
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ENGINE EXHAUST CONE



- 2. Cement Part (12) to (13) and (14) to (15). Cement (76) to (14).
- PLACE, DO NOT CEMENT, the HINGES on RIGHT OUTER WING into the NOTCHES in Part (16), then cement (16) to (12). DO NOT LET CEMENT TOUCH HINGES OR WING WILL NOT FOLD INTO STOWED POSITION.
- Cement (17) to (18) and then (75) to (17). Assemble LEFT OUTER WING and Part (19) to (13) in the same way as RIGHT WING.



- 20 RIGHT WINDOW (CLEAR)
- FUSELAGE RIGHT HALF
- LEFT WINDOW (CLEAR)
- FUSELAGE LEFT HALF
- ARRESTING HOOK LEFT HALF
- ARRESTING HOOK RIGHT HALF
- PILOT'S CANOPY (CLEAR)
- RADAR OPERATOR'S CANOPY (CLEAR)

INBOARD WING SECTION - RIGHT TOP **OUTBOARD WING SECTION - LEFT TOP**

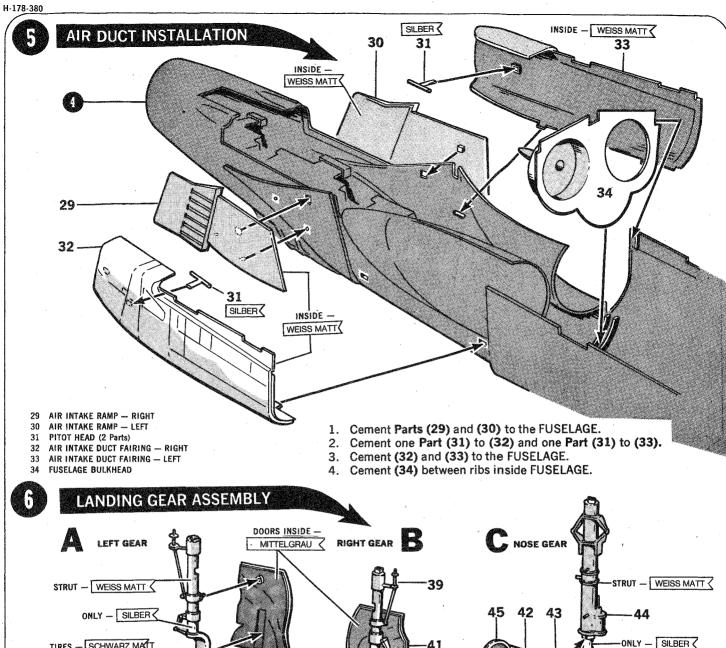
INBOARD WING SECTION - LEFT TOP

OUTBOARD WING SLAT - LEFT OUTBOARD WING SLAT - RIGHT

OUTBOARD WING SECTION - LEFT BOTTOM

WINDSHIELD (CLEAR)

- 1. Cement Part (20) and the COCKPIT ASSEMBLY from Step 1 into Part (21). Cement (22) into (23).
- Cement (24) to (25).
- PLACE, DO NOT CEMENT, Parts (25), (26) and (27) in PLACE in Part (21) then CAREFULLY cement (23) to (21), DO NOT LET CEMENT TOUCH HINGE PINS OR PARTS WILL NOT MOVE.
- 4. Cement (28) to the FUSELAGE only.



YOU HAVE A CHOICE OF BUILDING YOUR MODEL WITH THE LANDING GEAR IN THE INFLIGHT "GEAR UP" POSITION, OR WITH THE "GEAR DOWN" IF YOU CHOOSE TO BUILD A "GEAR UP" MODEL OMIT THIS STEP AND CONTINUE WITH STEP 7.

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MAIN WHEEL - OUTSIDE HALF (2 Parts)

TIRES - SCHWARZ MACT

WEISS MATT

- MAIN WHEEL INSIDE HALF (2 Parts)
- MAIN WHEEL RETAINER (2 Parts) 37
- LEFT MAIN GEAR STRUT
- RIGHT MAIN GEAR STRUT
- LEFT MAIN GEAR STRUT DOOR CENTER
- RIGHT MAIN GEAR STRUT DOOR CENTER
- NOSE WHEEL RETAINER (2 Parts)
- NOSE WHEEL INSIDE HALF (2 Parts)
- NOSE GEAR STRUT
- NOSE WHEEL OUTSIDE HALF (2 Parts)
- NOSE GEAR YOKE

SEE DRAWINGS "A" AND "B" - MAIN GEAR

1. Cement one Part (35) to each Part (36).

SHOWN ASSEMBLED

PLACE, DO NOT CEMENT, One Part (37) into each WHEEL, then CAREFULLY cement Part (37) to the AXLE of Part (38), DO NOT LET CEMENT TOUCH Part (36) or WHEEL will not rotate.

WEISS MATT

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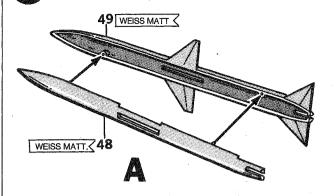
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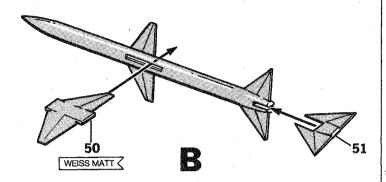
3. Cement Part (40) to (38).

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- 4. Assemble RIGHT GEAR in the same way, using WHEEL ASSEMBLY Parts (35), (36) and (37), and Parts (39) and (41). SEE DRAWING "C" NOSE GEAR
- 5. PLACE, DO NOT CEMENT, one Part (42) into each Part (43), then CAREFULLY cement one Part (45) to each Part (43).
- 6. Cement WHEEL RETAINERS (42) onto AXLES of Part (44). DO NOT LET **CEMENT TOUCH WHEELS.**
- 7. Cement Part (46) to Part (44).

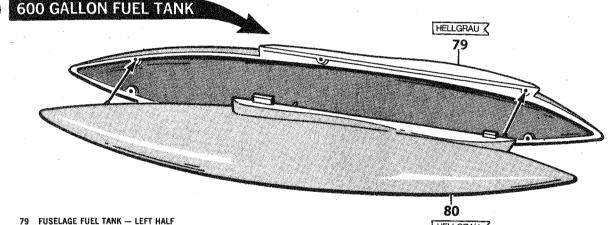
SPARROW MISSILE ASSEMBLY





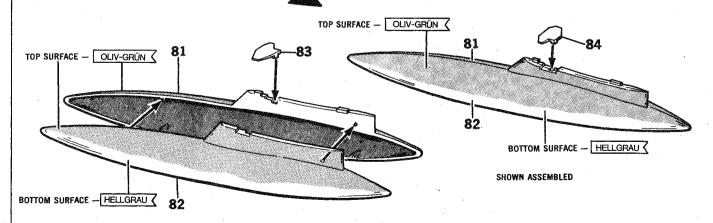
SEE DRAWING "A"

- 1. Cement one Part (48) to each Part (49). Make four MISSILES. SEE DRAWING "B"
- 2. Center and cement one Part (50) in each MISSILE.
- 3. Cement one Part (51) to the rear of each MISSILE.
- 48 MISSILE BODY LEFT HALF (4 Parts) 49 MISSILE BODY RIGHT HALF (4 Parts)
- MISSILE CENTER FIN (4 Parts)
- MISSILE TAIL FIN (4 Parts)



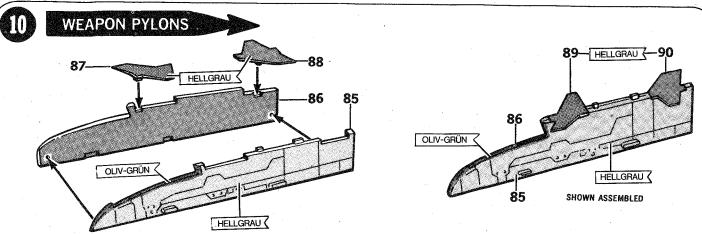
- FUSELAGE FUEL TANK RIGHT HALF
- 1. Cement (79) to (80).
- HELLGRAU.

370 GALLON FUEL TANKS



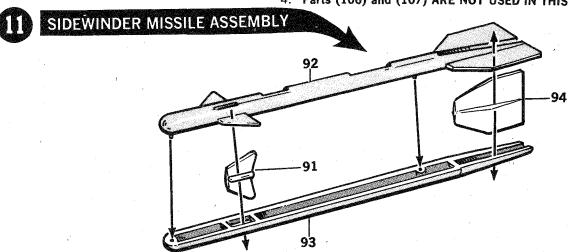
- OUTERWING FUEL TANK RIGHT HALF (2 Parts)
- OUTERWING FUEL TANK LEFT HALF (2 Parts) 82
- LEFT TANK SWAY BRACE 83
- RIGHT TANK SWAY BRACE

- 1. Cement one Part (81) to each Part (82).
- The SWAY BRACES determine whether a TANK ASSEMBLY is to be used on RIGHT or LEFT WING. Cement (83) to one TANK for LEFT WING and (84) to other TANK for RIGHT WING installation.

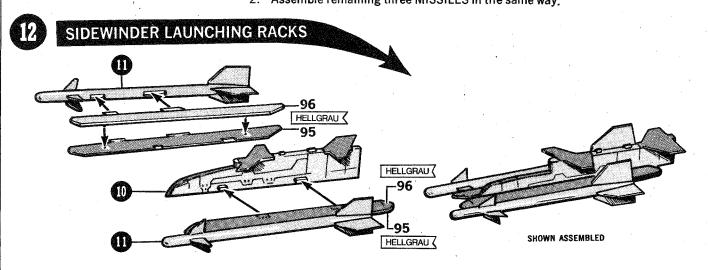


- WEAPON PYLON LEFT HALF (2 Parts)
- WEAPON PYLON RIGHT HALF (2 Parts) 86
- LEFT PYLON FORWARD SWAY BRACE 88
- LEFT PYLON REAR SWAY BRACE
- RIGHT PYLON FORWARD SWAY BRACE
- RIGHT PYLON REAR SWAY BRACE

- 1. Cement one Part (85) to each Part (86). The SWAY BRACES determine to which WING the PYLON is to be installed.
- For the LEFT PYLON, cement (87) and (88) to one ASSEMBLY.
- For the RIGHT PYLON, Cement (89) and (90) to the other
- 4. Parts (106) and (107) ARE NOT USED IN THIS KIT.

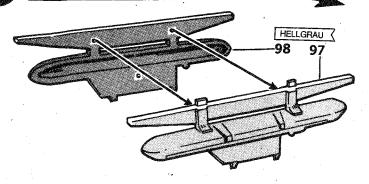


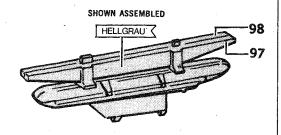
- SIDEWINDER FORWARD FIN (4 Parts)
- SIDEWINDER HALF WITH FINS (4 Parts)
- SIDEWINDER HALF WITHOUT FINS (4 Parts)
- SIDEWINDER REAR FIN (4 Parts)
- 1. Place one (91) in FORWARD SLOT in (92). Locate (93) over (91) and cement (92) and (93) together. Slide one (94) into SLOT at REAR of MISSILE and cement in position.
- 2. Assemble remaining three MISSILES in the same way.



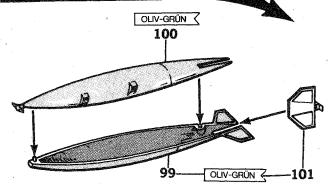
- 95 LAUNCHING RAIL TOP HALF (4 Parts)
 96 LAUNCHING RAIL BOTTOM HALF (4 Parts)
- 1. Cement one Part (95) to each Part (96).
- Cement LAUNCHING RAILS to WEAPON PYLONS.
- 3. Cement a SIDEWINDER MISSILE to each LAUNCHING RAIL.

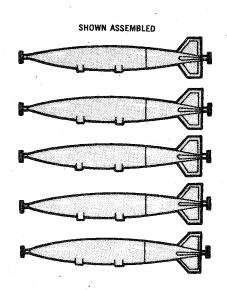
13 UAR/C3 T.E.R. BOMB RACKS





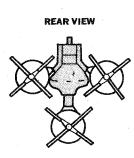
- 97 TRIPLE EJECTOR RACK LEFT HALF (2 Parts)
 98 TRIPLE EJECTOR RACK RIGHT HALF (2 Parts)
- 1. Cement one Part (97) to each Part (98).
- 14 500 LB. MK 82 BOMBS



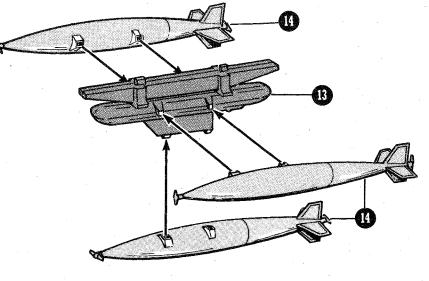


- 99 MARK 82 BOMB HALF WITH FINS (6 Parts)
- 100 MARK 82 BOMB HALF WITHOUT FINS (6 Parts)
- 101 MARK 82 BOMB TAIL FINS (6 Parts)
- 1. Cement one Part (99) to each Part (100).
- 2. Cement one Part (101) to each assembled BOMB.

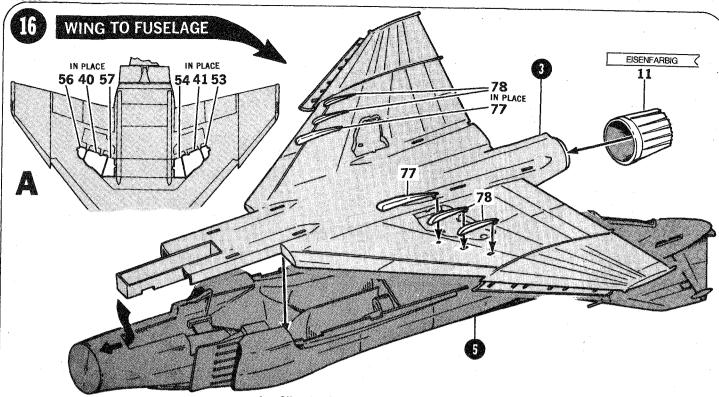
15 BOMBS TO BOMB RACKS



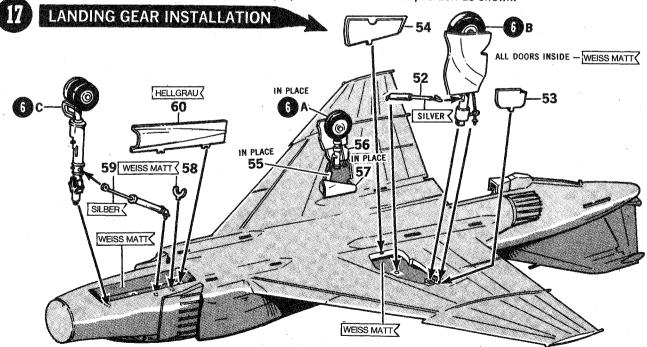
BOMBS MOUNTED ON RACK



 Cement three BOMBS to each BOMB RACK. Be sure BOMB FINS align as indicated in small drawing.



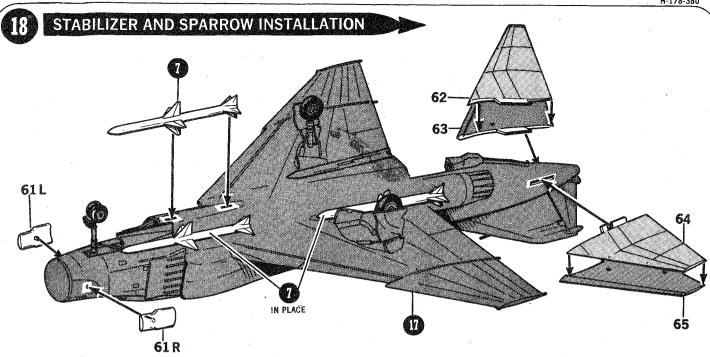
- 11 ENGINE EXHAUST CONE
- 40 LEFT MAIN GEAR STRUT DOOR CENTER
- 41 RIGHT MAIN GEAR STRUT DOOR -- CENTER
- 53 RIGHT MAIN GEAR DOOR OUTBOARD
- 54 RIGHT MAIN GEAR DOOR INBOARD 56 LEFT MAIN GEAR DOOR — OUTBOARD
- 57 LEFT MAIN GEAR DOOR OUTBOARD
- 77 SLAT ACTUATOR FAIRING INBOARD (2 Parts)
- 78 SLAT ACTUATOR FAIRING OUTBOARD (4 Parts)
- 1. Slip the forward end of the WING ASSEMBLY (Step 3), into the FUSELAGE and slide it forward until the WING aligns with the FUSELAGE, then cement Parts together.
- 2. Cement Part (11) to WING and FUSELAGE.
- 3. Cement two Parts (77) and four Parts (78) to WING as indicated. FOR A "GEAR UP" MODEL ONLY, SEE DETAIL "A"
- 4. Cement six LANDING GEAR DOORS Parts (40), (41), (53), (54), (56) and (57) to WING in a closed position as shown.



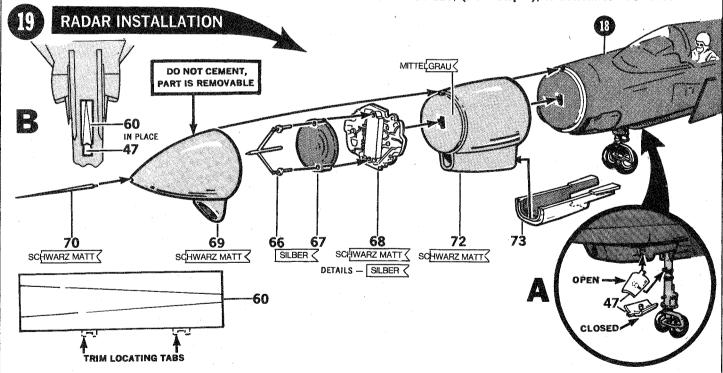
- 52 RIGHT MAIN GEAR RETRACT STRUT
- 53 RIGHT MAIN GEAR DOOR OUTBOARD
- 54 RIGHT MAIN GEAR DOOR INBOARD
- 55 LEFT MAIN GEAR RETRACT STRUT 56 LEFT MAIN GEAR DOOR -- OUTBOARD
- 57 LEFT MAIN GEAR DOOR INBOARD
- 58 NOSE GEAR RETRACT LOCK
- 59 NOSE GEAR RETRACT STRUT
- 60 NOSE GEAR DOOR REAR HALF

For a "GEAR UP" model, skip this ASSEMBLY step and go on to Step 18.

- 1. Cement the RIGHT MAIN GEAR into WING. Cement (52) to GEAR and WING.
- 2. Cement (53) and (54) to edges of GEAR OPENING in a vertical position.
- 3. Cement LEFT GEAR and Parts (55), (56) and (57) in place on LEFT WING.
- 4. Cement (58) and NOSE GEAR into WHEEL WELL.
- 5. Cement (59) to NOSE GEAR and WHEEL WELL LOCATOR.
- 6. Cement (60) to edge of WHEEL WELL in a vertical position.



- 61R RIGHT AIR DUCT FAIRING
- 61L LEFT AIR DUCT FAIRING
- 62 LEFT STABILIZER BOTTOM
- 63 LEFT STABILIZER TOP
- 64 RIGHT STABILIZER BOTTOM 65 RIGHT STABILIZER — TOP
- 1. Cement (61L) and (61R) to the FUSELAGE.
- 2. Cement (62) to (63) and (64) to (65). Cement STABILIZERS to FUSELAGE.
- 3. Cement three SPARROW MISSILES, (from Step 7), to bottom of FUSELAGE.



- 7 NOSE GEAR DOOR FRONT HALF
- 60 NOSE GEAR DOOR REAR HALF
- 66 RADAR ANTENNA
- 67 RADAR DISH
- 68 RADAR UNIT
- 69 NOSE CONE
- 70 PITOT TUBE
- 72 NOSE EXTENSION 73 GUN POD

- 1. Cement (72) to FRONT of FUSELAGE.
- 2. Cement (66) to (67). Cement (67) to (68), then cement (68) to (72).
- 3. Cement (70) to (69), then PRESS, DO NOT CEMENT (69) onto Part (72). (69) is removable to display the RADAR INSTALLATION.
- 4. Cement (73) to FUSELAGE and Part (72).
 - FOR A "GEAR DOWN" MODEL SEE DRAWING "A"
- 5. Cement (47) to NOSE GEAR and REAR EDGE of Part (73). FOR A "GEAR UP" MODEL
- 6. Trim LOCATING TABS from Part (60) as indicated, then cement (47) and (60) in a closed position as shown in Detail "B".

