

Famous Inventors

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Circle who invented or is famous for each thing.

1. Who built the first commercially successful steamboat?
(A) James Watt
(B) Robert Fulton
(C) George Stephenson
(D) Eli Whitney
2. What did Marie Curie discover?
(A) penicillin
(B) gravity
(C) electricity
(D) radium
3. What did Albert Einstein develop?
(A) the theory of relativity
(B) the printing press
(C) the telephone
(D) the vaccine
4. Who invented a machine that makes flat-bottomed paper bags?
(A) Mary Anderson
(B) Louis Braille
(C) Margaret Knight
(D) Josephine Cochrane
5. Who built the first practical helicopter?
(A) Igor Sikorsky
(B) Henry Ford
(C) the Wright brothers
(D) Karl Benz
6. Who created the World Wide Web?
(A) Steve Jobs
(B) Tim Berners-Lee
(C) Bill Gates
(D) Thomas Edison
7. What did Edward Jenner create?
(A) the printing press
(B) the telescope
(C) the first vaccine
(D) the battery
8. Who invented dynamite and founded a famous set of prizes?
(A) Marie Curie
(B) Nikola Tesla
(C) Thomas Edison
(D) Alfred Nobel
9. What did Guglielmo Marconi develop?
(A) the radio
(B) the camera
(C) the telephone
(D) the car
10. Who discovered how to make rubber strong and stretchy (vulcanization)?
(A) Henry Ford
(B) Karl Benz
(C) Charles Goodyear
(D) Thomas Edison
11. Who invented the windshield wiper?
(A) Josephine Cochrane
(B) Mary Anderson
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(D) Henry Ford
12. Who invented a three-position traffic signal?
(A) Thomas Edison
(B) Henry Ford
(C) Karl Benz
(D) Garrett Morgan

13. Who invented the lightning rod?

- (A) Thomas Edison
- (B) Benjamin Franklin
- (C) Nikola Tesla
- (D) Michael Faraday

14. Who discovered X-rays?

- (A) Marie Curie
- (B) Alexander Fleming
- (C) Albert Einstein
- (D) Wilhelm Röntgen

15. Who invented the ballpoint pen?

- (A) Laszlo Biro
- (B) Louis Braille
- (C) Samuel Morse
- (D) Johannes Gutenberg

16. What did Charles Darwin develop?

- (A) the light bulb
- (B) the telephone
- (C) the theory of evolution
- (D) the steam engine

17. Who invented the first electric battery?

- (A) Nikola Tesla
- (B) Alessandro Volta
- (C) Benjamin Franklin
- (D) Michael Faraday

18. Who invented Kevlar, the material used in bulletproof vests?

- (A) Stephanie Kwolek
- (B) Ada Lovelace
- (C) Marie Curie
- (D) Mary Anderson

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20. Who created the temperature scale used in most of the world?

- (A) Galileo Galilei
- (B) Marie Curie
- (C) Isaac Newton
- (D) Anders Celsius

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