

FAMOUS AMERICANS

There are many people who have had an impact on American history. These people were often common, ordinary people who did something special. Many helped to change our country by what they did. Here are some examples:

Famous Inventors:

- Alexander Graham Bell: telephone
- Thomas Edison: lightbulb
- Eli Whitney: cotton gin

Famous “First”:

- Amelia Earhart: first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean
- Thurgood Marshall: first African American Supreme Court

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Famous

- Clara Barton: American Red Cross
- Florence Nightingale: Nursing Profession

Famous People:

- Martin Luther King, Jr.: Civil Rights activist and preacher
- Rosa Parks: refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man
- Abraham Lincoln: Emancipation Proclamation
- Lewis & Clark: explorers of the U.S. west

Try This!

Draw lines to connect each famous person with what he or she did.

Thomas Edison	First African American in space
Noah Webster	American Red Cross
Clara Barton	light bulb
Lewis & Clark	explorers
Mae Jemison	the dictionary

Circle the famous people in this list.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Fred Smith

Amelia Ear

Tim Jones

Albert Eins

Jesse Owens

Neil Armstrong

Beth Moon

Decide if these people are paired up with the right famous action.
Circle True or False.

Albert Einstein ----- $E = mc^2$ T/ F

Alexander Graham Bell ----- washing machine T/ F

Florence Nightingale ----- famous chef T/ F

Jackie Robinson ----- famous golfer T/ F



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