**Biography:**   
  
Mother Teresa was a humanitarian. This means she did things to help out other people. Her entire life was fully devoted to helping the poor, the sick, the needy, and the helpless.

**Biography**

Orville and Wilbur Wright are credited with inventing the airplane. They were the first to make a successful human flight with a craft that was powered by an engine and was heavier than air. Today, trips that previously would have taken months by boat and train, can now be traveled by plane in a few hours.

**Biography:**   
  
Alexander Graham Bell is most famous for his invention of the telephone. He first became interested in the [science of sound](http://www.ducksters.com/science/sound101.php) because both his mother and wife were deaf.

**Biography**

Taylor Swift is a pop and country music artist. Remarkably, she has won many Grammy Awards including Album of the Year for her record Fearless. She is one of the most popular musical artists in the world today.

**Biography**

Going from unemployment to being a multi-millionaire in the space of 5 years J.K. Rowling’s story is almost as amazing as Harry Potter’s! She is the best-selling living author in the UK and her books are popular all over the world. Rowling has described writers such as Jane Austin and C.S. Lewis as her sources of inspiration.

**Biography:**

Albert Einstein was a scientist in the early 1900s. He came up with some of the most important discoveries and theories in all of science. Some people consider him to be one of the smartest people of the 20th century. His face and name are often used as the picture or description of the consummate scientist. Read here to learn more about Albert Einstein; what he was like and what discoveries and inventions he made.

**Biography**

Usain Bolt is currently considered by many people to be the fastest human being who is living or who has ever lived. Currently, he holds the world records for both the 100m and 200m as well as shares the 4x100m relay world record with Jamaican teammates Yohan Blake, Nesta Carter, and Michael Frater. His surname, or last name, is very fitting of the world's fastest man because the word "bolt" is often associated with lightning, which symbolizes speed.

**Biography:**   
  
Thomas Edison may be the greatest inventor in history. He has over 1000 patents in his name. Many of his inventions still have a major effect on our lives today. He was also a business entrepreneur. Many of his inventions were group efforts in his large invention laboratory where he had many people working for him to help develop, build and test his inventions. He also started many companies including General Electric, which is one of the biggest corporations in the world today.