

The Industrial Revolution: Inventors and Innovators Graveyard Project

Goal: Students will create individual tombstones marking the lives and achievements of leading inventors and innovators from the Industrial Revolution. Together, these tombstones will form a classroom graveyard.

Instructions: Using a person from the list below, you will create an aesthetically pleasing (nice-looking) tombstone complete with the following information (written correctly):

- Name of inventor/innovator
- Nationality/Birthplace
- Date of birth
- Date of death
- Three “bullet points” (facts) about her/his achievements
- Epitaph (a brief piece of prose commemorating the deceased; can be a single sentence)
- Illustration

List of Inventors and Innovators:

Abraham Darby	John McAdam
Alexander Graham Bell	John Smeaton
Cyrus W. Field	Lee de Forest
Edward Cartwright	Leo Baekeland
Eli Whitney	Nikola Tesla
Elias Howe	Orville Wright
George Stephenson	Ottmar Mergenthaler
George Westinghouse	Richard Arkwright
Gottlieb Daimler	Richard Hoe
Guglielmo Marconi	Robert Fulton
Henry Bessemer	Rudolf Diesel
Henry Cort	Samuel Crompton
Henry Ford	Samuel F.B. Morse
Isaac Singer	Samuel Slater
James B. Hill	Thomas Edison
James Hargreaves	Thomas Newcomen
James Watt	Thomas Telford
John Ericsson	Vladimir Zworykin
John Kay	Wilbur Wright

GRADING RUBRIC	Points Available	Points Earned
Name of Inventor/Innovator	5	
Nationality/Birthplace	5	
Date of Birth	5	
Date of Death	5	
Bullet Point (Fact) #1	15	
Bullet Point (Fact) #2	15	
Bullet Point (Fact) #3	15	
Epitaph	20	
Illustration	5	
Aesthetic Quality	5	
Spelling and Grammar	5	
Total Points	100	

Reviewer Comments: