

# Who Was Thomas Alva Edison

Traces the life and contributions of the famous inventor whose inventions such as the electric light bulb and phonograph helped change the world.

A biography of inventor Edison whose discoveries were important to entertainment because he discovered electric lights, motion pictures, and a method of recording the human voice.

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A biography of the great inventor whose creations have contributed to the comfort, convenience, and entertainment of people all over the world.

Learn about the life of this American genius.

Thomas Alva Edison; who transformed his childhood problem of deafness into an exemplary quality of concentration; did not get tired till his last. Despite being deprived of formal education; this great scientist studied literature and science with immense interest; acquired new patents on an average in every 15 days of his active life. Through him; the world entered into the modern era and it led to an onset of consumerism.

Traces the life of the man who invented the phonograph, light bulb, and the motion picture camera, with an emphasis on the value of perseverance in his achievements.

A biography of the inventor who changed the world in which he lived with such revolutionary inventions as the phonograph, electric lighting, and motion pictures.

Contains primary source material.

Thomas Alva Edison helped to change the world through his inventions. Born in 1847, Edison showed an avid interest in anything mechanical, technical, or scientific at a young age. He began conducting experiments in his teens, and at the age of twenty-two, filed his first patent for a vote recorder. Although this first invention did not catch on, Edison continued to work on his projects, seeking financial support from investors and forming companies. In the 1870s, he created two of his most famous inventions, the phonograph and the incandescent light bulb. By the end of his life, Edison held more than one thousand U.S. patents for his inventions. Book jacket.



story of a remarkable life.

Thomas Alva Edison is a biography with the rare distinction of being written while the subject was still alive. It was the author's intention to show Edison as a great American and the "greatest inventor of all time."?

His inventions included the phonograph, light bulb, and movie camera.

Contains many anecdotes about the inventor's early life and the development of some of his many inventions.

Using simple language that beginning readers can understand, this lively, inspiring, and believable biography looks at the childhood of inventor Thomas Edison.

A biography of the inventor who patented more than 1,100 inventions in 60 years, among them the electric light and the phonograph.

Most readers will recognize the name, but their information might be limited to Thomas Alva Edison's most famous inventions, including the light bulb, phonograph, and motion picture camera. This brief introductory biography introduces young readers to Edison's extraordinary life and brilliant mind. Beginning with his younger years, this book guides readers through his school and work experiences, highlighting his inspirations and other talents, such as salesmanship. An overview of his many later inventions make clear why he was called the "Wizard of Menlo Park" and has such a prominent place in history.

The third volume of this widely acclaimed series reveals the breath-taking intensity, intellectual acumen, and vast self-confidence of twenty-nine-year-old Thomas Edison. In the depths of the 1870s depression, he moved his independent research and development laboratory from industrial Newark to pastoral Menlo Park, some fifteen miles to the south on the main line of the railroad from New York to Philadelphia. There, equipped with resources for experimental development that were extraordinary for their time, Edison and a few close associates began twenty months of research that expanded their well-established accomplishments in telegraphy into pioneering work on the telephone. Edison's ideas and techniques from telegraph message recording and the telephone next led to his invention of the phonograph, the first patent for which was filed in December 1877. This invention ultimately gave Edison a world-wide reputation--and the nickname "the wizard of Menlo Park." Praise for previous volumes of *The Papers of Thomas A. Edison*: "The essence of the volume is Edison's technical notebooks, a window onto the inventor's workshop. His lucidity comes through everywhere... His writing and drawing come together as a single, vigorous thought process."--Russell McCormack, *New York Times*. "A mine of material... Scrupulously edited... No one could ask for more... A choplicking feast for Edison biographers--well into the next century, and perhaps beyond."--Fred Howard, *Washington Post*. "A triumph of the bookmaker's art, with splendidly arranged illustrations, essential background information, and cautionary reminders of the common sources on which Edison's imagination drew."--David Joravsky, *New York Review of Books*. "In the pages of this volume Edison the man, his work, and his times come alive... A delight to browse through or to read carefully."--Thomas J. Misa, *Science*.

An in-depth portrait of America's greatest inventor journeys inside the life and Menlo Park, New Jersey, laboratory of Thomas Edison, documenting not only his revolutionary technological innovations, but also his remarkable ability to promote and market himself and his creations. Reprint. 30,000 first printing.

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Traces the life and contributions of the American genius who changed the world forever through his inventions including the electric lightbulb and the phonograph.

Provides a biographical sketch of Thomas Alva Edison and a description of some of his most important inventions.

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