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List of Important Inventions & Discoveries

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#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
1.	Anemometer	Battista
2.	Ammeter	Friedrich Dexler
3.	Barometer	Evangelista Torricelli
4.	Telescope	Hans Lippershey
5.	Microscope	Hans Lippershey, Zacharias Janssen
6.	Gravity	Sir Isaac Newton
7.	Mercury Thermometer	Daniel Gabriel Fahrenheit
8.	Electrons	J.J. Thomson
9.	Neutrons	James Chadwick
10.	Protons	Ernest Rutherford
11.	Dynamite	Alfred Nobel
12.	Radium	Marie Curie and Pierre Curie
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13.	Penicillin	Alexander Fleming
14.	Aspirin	Felix Hoffman
15.	Bacteria	Antony van Leeuwenhoek
16.	Cholera Vaccine	Waldemar Haffkine
17.	Rubella Vaccine	Maurice Hilleman
18.	Hepatitis B Virus	Baruch Blumberg

19.	Hepatitis B Vaccine	Pablo DT Valenzuela
#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
20.	Polio Vaccine	Jonas Edward Salk
21.	Smallpox Vaccine	Edward Jenner
22.	Anthrax Vaccine	Louis Pasteur
23.	Plague Vaccine	Waldemar Haffkine
24.	X ray	Wilhelm Rontgen
25.	Vitamin	Casimir Funk
26.	Insulin	Frederick Banting and J J R Macleod
27.	HIV	Luc Montagnier
28.	World Wide Web	Tim Berners Lee, Robert Cailliau
29.	Smartphone (Simone)	IBM
30.	Java Computing Language	James Gosling
31.	Email	Ray Tomlinson
32.	C Programming	Dennis Ritchie
33.	Language	Ted Hoff, Federico Faggin, and Stan Mazor
34.	Microprocessors	Jerry Yang and David Filo
35.	Solar System	Nicolaus Copernicus
36.	Planets	Galileo Galilei
37.	Printing Press	Johannes Gutenberg

38.	Electric Bulb	Thomas Edison
#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
39.	Airplane	The Wright Brothers
40.	Telephone	Alexander Graham Bell
41.	Radio	Guglielmo Marconi
42.	Calculator	Blaise Pascal
43.	Television	John Logie Baird
44.	Electricity	Benjamin Franklin
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45.	Telegraph	Pavel Schilling
46.	Theory of Relativity	Albert Einstein
47.	Automobile	Ferdinand Verbiest
48.	Magnetic Tape	Fritz Pfluemer
49.	Periodic Table	Dmitri Mendeleev
50.	Transformer and Electric Motor	Michael Faraday
51.	Geometry	Euclid
52.	Structure of Atom	Ernest Rutherford
53.	Hydrogen Bomb	Edward Teller
54.	Computer Architecture/Stored Program	John Von Neumann

55.	Nuclear Reactor	Enrico Fermi
56.	Steam Engine	James Watt
#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
57.	Battery	Alessandro Volta
58.	Diesel Engine	Rudolf Diesel
59.	Helicopter	Broquet
60.	Google	Larry Page
61.	Mozilla	Dave Hyatt and Blake Ross
62.	Facebook	Mark Zuckerberg
63.	Twitter	Evan Williams, Jack Dorsey, and Biz Stone
64.	Microsoft	Bill Gates and Paul Allen
65.	Internet	Vint Cerf
66.	Email	Shiva Ayyadurai
67.	Apple Computers	Steve Jobs
68.	World Wide Web (WWW)	Sir Tim Berners- Lee
69.	IP Address	Robert E. Kahn
70.	Micro Processor	Federico Faggin
71.	Archimedes screw & Pi	Archimedes
72.	Paper	Cai Lun
73.	Davy lamp	Humphrey Davy

74.	Computer	Charles Babbage
75.	Pedal Bicycle	Kirkpatrick Macmillan
#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
76.	Pneumatic Tire	Edouard Michelin
77.	Atomic Bomb	Robert Oppenheimer
78.	Microchip or Integrated circuit	Robert Noyce
79.	Blood Groups	Karl Landsteiner
80.	Raman Effect	Sir C.V. Raman
81.	Motion of Planets	Johannes Kepler
82.	Theory of Evolution	Charles Darwin
83.	Stethoscope	Rene Laennec
84.	Thermo Flask	Dewar
85.	Camera	Steven Sasson
86.	First Modern Motor Car	Karl Benz
87.	Quantum Theory of Radiation	Plank
88.	Jet Engine	Frank Whittle
89.	Crescograph	Jagdish Chandra Bose
90.	Portland Cement	Joseph Aspdin
91.	Artificial heart	Paul Winchell

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92.	Optical Fibre	Narinder Singh Kapany
93.	Radioactivity	Henri Becquerel
#	Invention/Discovery	Inventor
94.	North Pole	Robert Peary
95.	Green House Gases	Joseph Furier
96.	Nylon	Wallace Carothers
97.	Laser	Theodore Harold Maiman
98.	Radar	Heinrich Hertz
99.	Fountain pen	Waterman
100.	Homi J. Bhabha	Cosmic rays and Quantum theory

Questions from Previous Competitive Examinations:

Who invented bicycle?

- A. Benjamin Franklin
- B. John Dunlop
- C. Alessandro Volta
- D. K Macmillan
- E. None of the above

Answer: D

Who invented radio?

- A. Alexander Graham Bell
- B. J.L. Baird
- C. G. Marconi

D. Benjamin Franklin

Answer: C

Who invented the "Dynamite"?

A. Alfred Nobel

B. Issac Newton

C. Einstein

D. None of the above

Answer: A

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_____ has invented the mechanical calculator for adding numbers.

A. Charles Babbage

B. Issac Newton

C. Pascal

D. Peano

E. E. F. Codd

Answer: C

Who invented electric battery?

A. AndrE-Marie AmpEre

B. George Ohm

C. Alessandro Volta

D. Micheal Faraday

E. None of the above

Answer: C

Who invented penicillin?

- A. Alexander Fleming
- B. Louis Pasteur
- C. Dresser
- D. Edward Jenner

Answer: A

Who invented vaccination for 'Small Pox'?

- A. Sir Fredrick Grant Banting
- B. Sir Alexander Fleming
- C. Edward Jenner
- D. Louis Pasteur
- E. None of the above

Answer: C

The microchip was invented by

- A. INSDOC
- B. BARC
- C. IBM
- D. Intel

Answer: D

Which of the following invented Algebra?

- A. Meghatithi
- B. Bhaskara
- C. Apastamb
- D. Aryabhatta
- E. None of the above

Answer: B

Who was the inventor of revolver??

- A. Edward Hubble
- B. Albert Einstein
- C. Samuel Colt
- D. Avtomat Kalshnikova

Answer: C

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Who invented Television?

- A. J.L. Baird
- B. Lawrence
- C. Marconi
- D. Micheal Faraday

Answer: A

Which of the following is not true about Direct thermal printing?

- A. Digital printing
- B. It utilizes thermochromic paper.
- C. It was invented in 1991.
- D. These printers are generally used in hospitals for ultrasound sonogram devices
- E. They consume less power and make less noise than dot matrix printers.

Answer: C

Explanation: They were invented in 1972. Thermal printing (or direct thermal printing) is a digital printing process which produces a printed image by selectively heating coated thermo chromic paper, or thermal paper as it is commonly known, when the paper passes over the thermal print head.

Who invented the first metal movable-type printing system?

- A. Amir Khusro
- B. Johannes Gutenberg
- C. Adolph Rickenbacker
- D. Bartolomeo Cristofori

Answer: B

Who invented the Barometer?

- A. Galileo Galilei
- B. Evangelista Torricelli
- C. Friedrich Bremer
- D. Joseph Aspdin

Answer: B

Crescograph was invented by

- A. S.N. Bose
- B. P.C. Roy
- C. J.C. Bose
- D. P.C. Mahalanobis

Answer: C

Who invented the Jet Engine?

- A. Karl Benz

- B. Sir Frank Whittle
- C. Thomas Savery
- D. Michael Faraday

Answer: B

Who among the following scientists invented Remote Control?

- A. Nicola Tesla
- B. Robert Adler
- C. Eugene Polly
- D. Steve Wozniak
- E. None of these

Answer: A

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