

A Millennium of Inventions

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Listed below are 63 inventions from the last 1000 years. Your job is to enter each one in the appropriate time period below. Each line has enough spaces to fit the longest phrases, but you should simply start at the left and fill to the right, one letter per space, leaving the unused spaces in each line blank. **If an invention consists of more than one word, you should leave a blank space between words.**

Each invention has three of its letters marked with a number. Each number appears once in each of three inventions, and once in the message at the very bottom. All four spaces marked by a given number will be filled with the same letter. **The message at the end has had its punctuation and word breaks removed (unlike in the inventions which do have word breaks).**

As an additional solving aid, within each time period, the inventions will be entered in alphabetical order — **note that this means they are not in precise chronological order.**

As an example, and to help you start off, “COTTON GIN” has been entered for you, and its numbered letters have been filled in in their other locations. Note that if we had not filled it in for you, then even knowing that it was invented in 1793, you would not have immediately known that it should go in the first line of that section, since there could have been an invention starting with “A” or “B” which also belonged in the 1700-1799 section.

AIRPLANE	GEIGER COUNTER	RIBBED HOSIERY
ANSWERING MACHINE	HANDGUN	RUBIKS CUBE
ASPIRIN	HELICOPTER	SEWING MACHINE
AUTOMOBILE	INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE	SEXTANT
BAROMETER	JELLO	SLIDE RULE
BICYCLE	LASER	SPECTACLES
BLAST FURNACE	LEGOS	SPHYGMOMANOMETER
BRAILLE	MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING	STAINED GLASS
BUOY	MATCHES	STEAM ENGINE
CABBAGE PATCH KIDS	METRIC SYSTEM	STEAM LOCOMOTIVE
CAN OPENER	MICROSCOPE	TEFLON
CANNED FOOD	MOVABLE TYPE	TELEPHONE
CELLULAR TELEPHONE	NUCLEAR BOMB	TELESCOPE
COMPACT DISC	PARKING METER	TELEVISION
COTTON GIN	PIANO	THERMOMETER
DISPOSABLE DIAPER	PINK PLASTIC FLAMINGO	TRAFFIC LIGHTS
ELECTRIC BLANKET	POCKET CALCULATOR	TYPEWRITER
ELECTRIC LIGHT BULB	POSTAGE STAMP	VELCRO
ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH	PROSTHETIC LIMBS	VIDEO TAPE RECORDER
FACSIMILE MACHINE	QUILL SHARPENER	WALLPAPER
FIRE EXTINGUISHER	RADIO	ZIPPER

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