

LEONARDO DA VINCI



Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519) ... (be)
an incredible man. He ... (work)
as an architect, artist, mathematician and
scientist. He also ... (work) as a
military engineer and ... (be)

a good musician. When he was a child,
Leonardo ... (like) school but he
... (hate) Latin. In 1466,
Leonardo's family ... (move) to
Florence and he ... (finish) school.
In 1482, he ... (move) to Milan and
... (start) to work for the Duke
of Milan. He ... (design) many
buildings for the Duke. He also ...
(study) mathematics. His drawing of the
Anatomy of a man ... (show) him to
be a great biologist. In 1502, he ...
(return) to Florence and ... (paint)
the Mona Lisa. From 1514 to 1516, he ...
(live) in Rome and ... (continue) his
scientific experiments. He ... (die) in
France in 1519.

The **interesting facts** about this person are:

1. Leonardo da Vinci ... (write) from right to left - you ... (need) a mirror to read his handwriting.
2. He was a genius - he ... (can) write one sentence with his right hand and a different sentence with his left hand.
3. He ... (invent) scissors.
4. He ... (draw) architect's plans but never ... (build) a building.
5. He ... (make) models and in his notebooks there ... (be) plans for a tank, a helicopter and a submarine.

ADA LOVELACE



Ada Byron ... (be) born in London on 10 December, 1815. She ... (be) the daughter of the

famous British poet, Lord Byron and his wife Annabella. Five weeks later, her parents ... (separate). Her mother ... (not want) Ada to be a poet like her father, so she ... (teach) her Maths and Science. Ada was a Maths genius but she also had her father's imagination.

In 1828, when she ... (be) only thirteen, Ada ... (design) a flying machine. Then, when she ... (be) eighteen, Ada ... (meet) the inventor Charles Babbage. She ... (help) him with his work and he ... (have) a big influence on her life.

Ada ... (marry) Lord Lovelace in 1835 and they ... (have) three children. After that, she ... (work) with Babbage on his new calculating machine. In 1843, she ... (write) an article about it with a plan for calculating numbers. This plan ... (be) the first computer program.

Ada ... (have) an important influence on computer history because she ... (predict) the modern computer. In 1980, when American scientists ... (invent) a new computer language, they call it ADA. Ada ... (die) on 27 November, 1852, at the age of 36.