

Read the story. Choose the best title. _____

1. An African village
2. The library book
3. The windmill boy

Who Is William Kamkwamba?

YouTube is full of funny films, strange stories and some true stories, like the story of William Kamkwamba. William Uved in a small village in Malawi. Africa, but he had big ideas. When he was young there wasn't any electricity or clean water in his village. William s family didn't have much money, so he left school when he was fourteen. He got a job, but he went to the library in the evening and studied science books.

What was William's 'big idea'?

One day. William found an interesting book. In it. he saw pictures of windmills. Windmills turn in the wind and they can make electricity. William had an idea! He started to make a windmill from wood and an old bike. You're crazy!' his friends said.

Old William's windmill make electricity?

Finally, William finished his windmill and YES! It turned in the wind. One evening he connected the windmill to a small light bulb and tested it Did it make electricity? Yes. the windmill turned and there was a small light in the dark!

Oid windmills change the village?

Soon William made more windmills.

His village had electricity for the first time. People had light and clean water. William's mum and dad listened to the radio for the first time in their lives.

Did William become famous?

William Kamkwamba became famous because people saw videos about him on YouTube. He often travels to other countries and talks about his ideas. His friends don't think he's crazy now!

Read the story again and complete the sentences with one, two or three words for each space.

William is from a village in Malawi. Africa.

There wasn't _____ or electricity in William's village.

William studied in _____ in the evening.

There were _____ of windmills in William's book.

He used _____ and wood for his windmill.

The light bulb used _____ from the windmill

Now _____ has got clean water.

William's mum and dad _____ the radio

William is now _____.

William talks about his ideas in _____.

Put the sentences In order (1-4).

- _____ William made a windmill.
- _____ William read a book about windmills.
- _____ William's village had electricity for the first time.
- _____ William studied in the library in the evening

