

Read the text below. Answer the questions.

Thomas Jefferson
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Thomas Jefferson was the third President of the United States. Jefferson lived in Virginia and made the plans for his house there. It was a beautiful house. Jefferson invented many useful things for his house. Some of the things Jefferson invented are listed in the chart below.

What Jefferson Invented	What It Was Like
bookstand	Held five books at once Could be turned to each book
great clock	Could see its face from inside and outside his house
ladder	Made of wood Could be folded up

1. What is the author's name? _____

2. What is the topic of this text? _____

3. What did you learn by reading the chart? _____

4. What do you think the author's purpose was for writing this story? _____

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