

The Wright Brothers

Task 1: Watch the video and fill in the blanks with numbers, dates and years.

Today we are going to learn about famous inventors and aviators Wilber and Orville Wright, often called the Wright brothers.

1. Wilber Wright, the elder brother was born on _____.
2. Orville Wright, the younger brother, was born on _____.
3. They were _____ of _____ children born to Milton Wright, a clergy man.
4. In _____ Milton Wright, the brothers' father, brought them a toy helicopter.
5. In _____ Orville built his own printing press and launched his newspaper with his brother Wilber's help.
6. In _____ Brothers opened the shop selling and repairing the bicycles.
7. In _____, they began building their own bicycles.
8. German aviator Otto Lilienthal made many successful flights using gliders. He died when his glider crashed in _____.
9. The Wright brothers began seriously researching flying machines in _____.
10. In _____ Orville and Wilber went to Kitty Hawk in North Carolina and began experimenting with gliders.
11. In _____ they returned to Kitty Hawk again with their modified glider and made _____ of flights with it.
12. Although it had travelled _____ feet or _____ meters, the glider still didn't perform the way, the brothers had calculated it would.
13. The glider they tested then in _____ performed much better.
14. In _____ they built an aircraft they called "The Wright Flier".
15. On _____ Orville piloted "The Wright flier" for the first historic flight.
16. The flight lasted only for _____ seconds travelling _____ feet or _____ meters and lifted the plane only _____ feet or _____ meters off the ground, it was the first time in history that anyone had successfully piloted a heavier than air vehicle under its own power.