

CHAPTER 8

The Adventures of Little Al

True or False Questions (5)

1. Thomas Edison was the eldest child in his family. (True / False)
2. Edison's mother withdrew him from school because a teacher called him 'addled'. (True / False)
3. Edison set up his first laboratory in the attic of his home. (True / False)
4. Edison labeled all his chemical bottles 'Poison' to prevent others from touching them. (True / False)
5. Edison's deafness was caused by an accident in his laboratory. (True / False)

Fill in the Blanks (5)

1. Edison's nickname as a child was _____.
2. Edison tried to hatch eggs by sitting on them after observing a _____.
3. To fund his experiments, Edison worked as a _____.
4. The train conductor boxed Edison's ear after a _____ caught fire.

5. Edison's most famous inventions include the electric light bulb, the phonograph, and _____.

Matching Questions (5)

Match the following events with the correct age of Edison:

Event	Age
1. Set up a cellar laboratory	A. 14
2. Experimented with hatching eggs	B. 10
3. Worked as a newsboy on a train	C. 6
4. Became a telegraph operator	D. After the fire incident
5. Rebuilt his factory after a fire	E. Later in life

Multiple Choice Questions (10)

- Why was Edison not allowed to attend school initially?
 - He was disobedient
 - He had poor health
 - His family couldn't afford it
 - He preferred self-learning
- What did Edison label his chemical bottles to keep others away?
 - "Fragile"

- b) "Poison"
- c) "Do Not Touch"
- d) "Edison's Property"

3. How did Edison earn money for his experiments?

- a) By selling handmade toys
- b) By working as a newsboy
- c) By tutoring other children
- d) By begging from neighbors

4. What caused the fire in Edison's train compartment?

- a) A broken oil lamp
- b) A stick of phosphorous
- c) Overheated chemicals
- d) A cigarette

5. How did Edison view his deafness?

- a) As a severe disability
- b) As an advantage for concentration
- c) As a reason to quit inventing
- d) As a temporary issue

6. Who taught Edison telegraphy?

- a) His father
- b) A train conductor
- c) A station agent
- d) A school teacher

7. What was Edison's reaction after his factory burned down?

- a) He gave up inventing
- b) He blamed his employees
- c) He decided to rebuild immediately
- d) He sued the railway company

8. Which of these was NOT invented by Edison?

- a) Electric light bulb
- b) Telephone
- c) Phonograph
- d) Moving picture

9. Where did Edison set up his laboratory at age 14?

- a) In his school

- b) On a train
- c) In a public library
- d) At a telegraph office

10. What did Edison's phonograph record sound on?

- a) Magnetic tapes
- b) Wax disks
- c) Vinyl records
- d) Paper rolls