



1 The first clock was a sun clock. Somebody in Egypt invented this clock in about 3500 BC, but we don't know the inventor's name. A sun clock was a very tall tower. People could tell the time by looking at the shadow the tower made on the ground.

2 An Arab called Al Idrisi made the first globe in about 1100 in Italy. The globe was a huge ball of silver and it was very heavy. It weighed 400 kilogrammes.

3 Charles Babbage and his friend, Ada Byron, invented the first computer in about 1830 in England. Early computers were very big. They filled a whole room. The first computers were like calculators. They could only do mathematics.

4 Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in Canada in 1876. Alexander Graham Bell was a teacher. He taught deaf children in a special school. He wanted to help people communicate, so he invented the telephone.

5 Karl Benz was a German. In 1885 in Germany, he invented the first car that used petrol. In 1886 another German called Gottlieb Daimler invented a better car. Early cars had big, thin wheels and they moved very slowly.