



## IGOR SIKORSKY: The father of the helicopter

Your teacher has asked you to write the biography of another inventor: Igor Sikorsky.

Here are some notes about him. Read the notes and write his biography using linking words to join the sentences. Then present it in class.

	γεννημένος στο Κιέβο της Ουκρανίας. Born in Kiev, Ukraine	αρκετά μοντέλα αεροσκαφών και ελικοπτέρων
1889	ως μαθητής As a schoolboy, he <sup>έχτισε</sup> built several model aircraft and helicopters	
	σπούδασε (study) in Russia and Paris, France	
	(build) the world's first multi-engine aircraft	το πρώτο μηχανοκινούμενο αεροσκάφος στον κόσμο
1919	Μετά τη Ρωσική Επανάσταση After Russian revolution (emigrate) to USA	μετανάστευσε στις Η.Π.Α.
	ξέμεινε από χρήματα his money (run out), (teach) Russian immigrants mathematics, astronomy and aviation	
	(work) as an aircraft designer	σχεδιαστής αεροσκαφών
1923	αεροναυτική εταιρεία (start) his own aeronautical company, the Sikorsky Aero Engineering Corporation	αερομηχανική εταιρεία Sikorsky
1925-1940	δημιούργησε μια σειρά ολοένα και πιο επιτυχημένων αεροσκαφών, συμπεριλαμβανομένου του πρώτου ελικοπτέρου (create) a series of increasingly successful aircraft, including the first helicopter	
1972 πέθανε	(die) in USA	

Use Past Simple or Past Continuous to fill in the gaps:

People call Igor Sikorsky 'the father of the helicopter'.

He \_\_\_\_\_ (be) born in Kiev, Russia. As a schoolboy, he \_\_\_\_\_ (build) several model aircraft and helicopters. He \_\_\_\_\_ (study) in Russia and in Paris, France. Sikorsky \_\_\_\_\_ (build) the world's first multi-engine aircraft. In 1919, after the Russian revolution, Sikorsky \_\_\_\_\_ (emigrate) from Russia to the USA. As his money \_\_\_\_\_ (run out), he \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) Russian immigrants mathematics, astronomy and aviation. He \_\_\_\_\_ (work) as an aircraft designer, as well. In 1923, Sikorsky \_\_\_\_\_ (start) his own aeronautical company, the Sikorsky Aero Engineering Corporation. Between the years 1925 -1940 he \_\_\_\_\_ (create) a series of increasingly successful aircraft, including the first helicopter. Sikorsky \_\_\_\_\_ (die) in USA in 1972.

The Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation continues to the present day as one of the world's leading helicopter manufacturers