



Black Inventors...Extraordinary Inventions!

African Americans have made extraordinary contributions throughout history. A key piece of LittleAfrica.com's mission is to highlight some of those contributions and encourage our community to boldly go after those things that represent a symbol of hope for future generations. These inventors took advantage of their God-given talents to create products that simplified the lives of people all over the world.

Many of you possess similar talent...

It is time for us to leverage that talent, energy, and creativity to make a difference...

Invention	Inventor	Invention	Inventor
Biscuit Cutter	A.P. Ashbourne	Super Soaker	Lonnie Johnson
Folding Bed	L.C. Bailey	Bicycle Frame	Issac R. Johnson
Coin Changer	James A. Bauer	Space Shuttle Retrieval Arm	Wm. Harwell
Rotary Engine	Andrew J. Beard	Printing Press	W.A. Lavallette
Car Couple	Andrew J. Beard	Envelope Seal	F.W. Leslie
Letter Box	G.E. Becket	Laser Fuels	Lester Lee
Stainless Steel Pads	Alfred Benjamin	Pressure Cooker	Maurice W. Lee
Torpedo Discharger	H. Bradberry	Window Cleaner	A.L. Lewis
Disposable Syringe	Phil Brooks	Pencil Sharpener	John L. Love

Home Security System	Marie Brown	Fire Extinguisher	Tom J. Marshal
Corn Planter	Henry Blair	Lock	W.A. Martin
Cotton Planter	Henry Blair	Shoe Lasting Machine	Jan Matzeliger
Ironing Board	Sarah Boone	Lubricators	Elijah McCoy
Horse Bridle Bit	L.F.Brown	Rocket Catapult	Hugh MacDonald
Horse shoe	Oscar E. Brown	Elevator	Alexander Miles
Pacemaker	Otis Boykin	Gas Mask	Garrett Morgan
Guide Missile	Otis Boykin	Traffic Signal	Garrett Morgan
Lawn Mower	John A. Burr	Hair Brush	Lyda Newman
Typewriter	Burridge & Marshman	Heating Furnace	Alice H. Paker
Train Alarm	R.A. Butler	Airship	J.F.Pickering
Radiation Detector	Geo. Carruthers	Folding Chair	Purdgy/Sadgwar
Peanut Butter	George W. Carver	Hand Stamp	W.B. Purvis
Paints & Satins	George W. Carver	Fountain Pen	W.B. Purvis
Lotion & Soaps	George W. Carver	Dust Pan	L.P.Ray
Automatic Fishing Reel	George Cook	Insect Destroyer Gun	A.C. Richardson
Ice cream Mold	A.L. Cralle	Baby Buggy	W.H. Richardson
Blood Plasma	Dr. Charles Drew	Sugar Refinement	N. Rillieux
Horse Riding Saddle	Wm. D. Davis	Clothes Dryer	G.T. Sampson
Shoe	W.A. Detiz	Celluar Phone	Henry Sampson
Player Piano	Joseph Dickinson	Pressing Comb	Walter Sammons
Arm for Recording Player	Joseph Dickinson	Curtain Rod	S.R. Scottron
Doorstop	O. Dorsey	Lawn Sprinkler	J.W. Smith
Doorknob	O. Dorsey	Automatic Gearshift	R.B. Spikes
Photo Print Wash	Clatonia J. Dorticus	Urinalysis Machine	Dewey Sanderson
Photo Embossing Machine	Clatonia J. Dorticus	Hydraulic Shock Absorber	Ralph Sanderson

Postal Letter Box	P.B. Dowing	Refrigerator	J. Standard
Toilet	T. Elkins	Mop	T.W. Stewart
Furniture Caster	David A. Fisher	Stairclimbing Wheelchair	Rufus J. Weaver
Guitar	Robert Flemming ,Jr	Helicopter	Paul E. Williams
Golf Tee	George F. Grant	Fire Escape Ladder	J.B. Winters
Motor	J. Gregory	Telephone Transmitter	Granville T. Woods
Lantern	Micheal Harney	Electric Cutoff Switch	Granville T. Woods
Thermo Hair Curlers	Soloman Harper	Relay Instrument	Granville T. Woods
Gas Burner	B.F. Jackson	Telephone System	Granville T. Woods
Kitchen Table	H.A. Jackson	Galvanic Battery	Granville T. Woods
Video Commander	Joseph N. Jackson	Electric Raillway System	Granville T. Woods
Remote Controllers	Joseph N. Jackson	Roller Coaster	Granville T. Woods
Sani-Phone	Jerry Johnson	Auto Air Brake	Granville T. Woods

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