

## 100 Questions on Black Inventions

1. On May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1878 the “Fire Escape Ladder” was by invented Joseph Winters. **True**
2. Valerie Thomas invented the “Illusion Transmitter”. **True**
3. Madam C. J. Walker invented the “Calculator”. **False**
4. Walter Sammons improved the “Hot Comb”. **True**
5. Augustus Jackson invented a way to manufacture ice cream around the world. **True**
6. The “Golf Tee” was invented by Tiger Woods. **False**
7. Lyda Newman improved the “Brush”. **True**
8. Ruth J. Miro invented “Pens”. **False**
9. Granville T. Woods invented the “Phone Transmitter”. **True**
10. Henry O. Tanner invented the “Lubricator Cup”. **True**
11. Garret A. Morgan invented the “Three Way Traffic Light”. **True**
12. Otis Boykin helped burglar- proof cash registers. **True**
13. Radio Frequency was created by Thomas Edison. **False**
14. The air purification device was invented by? **Rufus Stokes**
15. John A. Burr invented this landscaping device? **lawn mower**
16. Who invented a way to help reduce electronics cost? **Otis Boykin**
17. The basic manufacturing of soap, sugar, glue, gelatin, and condensed milk are from this famous inventor’s theories? **Norbert Rillieux**

18. Thomas Elkins improved what everyday kitchen appliance?  
**Refrigerator**
19. I invented a self starting gas engine. **Frederick Jones**
20. The Assembly line was invented to move items. What type of items does the Assembly line move? **The Assembly line moves heavy objects.**
21. Which body fluid can be stored in blood banks created by Dr. Charles Richard Drew? **Blood plasma.**
22. What is the purpose of the mop? **The purpose of the mop is to absorb liquids off the ground and or to clean sticky places.**
23. The “Work out Hamster Wheel” was created for what reason? **The purpose of the “Workout Hamster Wheel” is to record the pet’s mileage or the wheel’s revolution.**
24. Jan E. Matzeliger’s “Lasting Machine” what task did it do for shoe manufactures? **The “Lasting Machines” task is to rapidly stitch the leather of a shoe to the sole.**
25. What was Benjamin Banneker’s inspiration for his wooden clock? **a pocket watch that a old man showed him.**
26. How many times did Jan E. Matzeliger improve the “Lasting Machine”? **three times**
27. What African American Female inventor led to the discovery of Laser eye surgery? **Patricia Bath**
28. Who revolutionized a hair care line for African American women?  
**Madam CJ Walker aka Sarah Breedlove Walker**
29. The washing machine was created by? **Clatonia J. Dorticus**
30. Who is credited for inventing super computers? **Philip Emeagwali**

31. How many inventions has Philip Emeagwali made? **41 patented inventions**
31. Lloyd P. Ray created what everyday household appliance? **Dust pan**
32. Besides peanuts, what other invention is George Washington Carver is credited for? **The sweet potato**
33. What inventions came shortly after potatoes? **French fries and potato chips**
34. This communication device was created by James E. West? **Telephone**
35. Who invented the “Workout Hamster Wheel”? **Kevin Woolfolk**
36. What is the purpose of the washing machine? **To wash clothing by using electricity**
37. We created Home Security Systems. **Marie Brown and Sidney Jacoby**
38. Andrew Beard created this gardening tool. **Plow**
39. The plow was invented in what year? **1881**
40. Name three inventions created by David Crosthwait. **Massage chair, Vacuum pump, and Teddy bear**
41. This inventor created the seed planter and cotton planter. **Henry Blair**
42. The Dry cleaning Process was invented by whom? **Thomas Jenning**
43. I invented new ways to improve the piano. Who am I? **Joseph Dickinson**
44. The 1<sup>st</sup> blood bank was created by Dr. Charles Drew in what country? **Britain**
45. The house item spark plug or house sockets were invented by whom? **Edmond Berger**

46. Band aids were created by? **Dr. Charles Drew**
47. How long did Benjamin Banneker's wooden clock keep perfect time? **50 years**
48. What year was the mop invented? **1893**
49. What was Bessie Blount's occupation before inventing ? **She was an army nurse**
50. What year was the ironing board invented? **1892**
51. Who invented the metal blender? **Thomas Stewart**
52. The invention of the illusion transmitter led to two of today's popular inventions. What are they? **Television and monitors**
53. The improvement of the lemon squeezer was created by whom? **John T. White**
54. Blacksmith, Lewis Temple's invention called the toggle iron harpoon is also known by this nickname. What is it? **Temple's Toggle or Temple's Iron**
55. Granville T. Woods not only created the phone transmitter. He is also credited for assisting with what other communication device? **Telegraph machine**
56. Who am I - Creator of the gas mask. **Garret A. Morgan**
57. Who am I – Inventor of the bread machine. **Joseph Lee**
58. Who am I – Inventor of food preservation processes. **Lloyd A. Hall**
59. I invented the folding chair. **Nate Alexander**
60. Who am I. I helped with methods to reduce pollutants. **Meredith C. Gourdine**
61. Cell division can be determined thanks to my assistance. Who am I? **Dr. Ernest E. Just**

62. Philip B. Downing invented what exterior home device? **Mailbox**
63. Inventor of the street sweeper. **Charles Brooks**
64. Inventor of the smart shoe. **Ronald Demon**
65. Which African American female inventor created the folding cabinet bed?  
**Sarah S. Goode**
66. Bug propellants were created by which inventor? **Donald Cotton**
67. The Gong and Signal chair for hotels was created by whom? **Miriam Benjamin**
68. Which African American inventor published a Farmers' Almanac?  
**Benjamin Banneker**
69. Which world's first African American Heavyweight Champion invented the wrench? **Jack Johnson**
70. The first Black History Month was called? **Negro Week**
71. Who am I – Inventor of the electric lamp. **Lewis H. Latimer**
72. Garrett A. Morgan is credited for what inventions? **Gas mask and three way traffic light**
73. Which of these African American inventors is still alive today?  
**A. Philip Emeagwali** B. Otis Boykin C. Henry Blair D. Emmett W. Chappelle
74. Edmond Berger invented what type of engine? **Internal combustion engine**
75. This inventor's scientific contributions led to x-rays? **George Carruthers**
76. The "power drencher" was invented by whom? **Lonnie Johnson**
77. Alexander Miles invented what transfer movement device. **Elevator**

78. Who am I. Inventor of the heating furnace. **Alice Parker**
79. I invented the fountain pen. **William Purvis**
80. Richard Spikes, created of the car wash, automatic safety brake, and barber chair, is credited for how many inventions? **14**
81. Who am I. Inventor of the rocket booster. **Jerry Shelby**
82. Who am I. Inventor of the mop. **Thomas Stewart**
83. I developed improvements to the methods of nuclear electric power. Who am I? **Cordell Reed**
84. I am known as the real McCoy. I am patented for at least 57 inventions. Who am I? **Elijah McCoy**
85. Who improved the file holder system? **Traverse B. Pinn**
86. Who invented the egg beater? **Willis Johnson**
87. We invented the hair care products for African American women around the world. **Madam C. J. Walker and her co-inventor Marjorie Joyner invented hair products for women around the world.**
88. Who am I? I successfully preformed the first open heart surgery? **I am Dr. Daniel Hale Williams.**
89. I invented the Permanent Wave Machine. This machine would perm a woman's hair for a relatively long time. **Marjorie Stewart Joyner.**
90. I invented an electric device that fed wounded soldiers during the war. Who am I? **Bessie Blount**
91. I invented the rocket propelling rocket booster. **Jerry Shelby.**
92. Who am I? I invented the "Jenny Coupler"? **Andrew J. Beard.**

93. What does the “Jenny Coupler” do? **The “Jenny Coupler” eliminates human involvement between cars engaging horizontal jaws that automatically lock together when to cars bump into each other.**

94. Who am I? I invented the “Disposable Syringe”. **Phil Brooks**

95. Who invented the ironing board? **Sarah Boone**

97. Who invented potato chips and French fries? **George Crum**

98. Who am I? I improved the pencil sharpener. **John Lee Love**