

The History of Light Test

Multiple Choice

1. Which job did Thomas Edison NOT have during his lifetime?
 - A. telegraph operator
 - B. newsboy
 - C. businessman
 - D. farmer

2. Which job did Lewis Latimer NOT have during his lifetime?
 - A. writer
 - B. wallpaper hanger
 - C. professional musician
 - D. Navy man

3. Why do light bulbs have short filaments?
 - A. Long filaments do not glow as brightly.
 - B. Short filaments last longer.
 - C. To keep the vacuum in the bulb.
 - D. Tungsten is a short material.

Constructed Response

4. List two achievements of Lewis Latimer besides his inventions.

5. Put the following events in the correct order:
People used oil lamps for light.
People used fire for light.
People used the electric light bulb for light .
People used candles for light.

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1. D

2. C

3. A

4. List could include: served in the Navy; taught himself drafting, electrical engineering, and German and French; wrote a book on electrical engineering; wrote poetry; wrote plays; helped found "Edison's Pioneers"; helped found a church; etc.

5. People used fire for light. People used candles for light. People used oil lamps for light. People used the electric light bulb for light.