# **Inventions and Inventors**

1. Nylon was first used commercially in which product? And which chemist was chiefly credited with its invention?
2. In which American state did the Wright brothers make the first sustained flight of a heavier-than-air aircraft? And how many years separate that first flight from the Apollo 11 moon landing?
3. In 1903 Mary Anderson was granted a 17-year patent for which useful device?
4. Which term from the French word 'for glue' was coined by both [Georges Braque and Pablo Picasso for a technique of art production](http://www.freepubquiz.co.uk/art-quiz.html)?
5. Who described in detail the use of satellites for mass communications in a 1945 *Wireless World* article?
6. Who invented the most widely spoken constructed language in the world Esperanto? And can you give the title of the first *Esperanto* book?
7. What did Rene Laennec invent in Paris, in 1816, consisting of a wooden tube?
8. Name the famous manually-operated calculating device created by famous mathematician John Napier?
9. In the late 1840s which Bristol chocolate factory began making mass-produced chocolate bars?
10. What did Swiss engineer George de Mestral invent after seeing burrs clinging to his dog after a walk?
11. American typist Bette Graham invented the first correction fluid (or

 liquid paper) in her kitchen in 1956; her son became a famous 1960s musician, who is he?

12 [Which Nobel Prize winner](http://www.freepubquiz.co.uk/nobel-prize-quiz.html) was first to observe that penicillin displayed

 antibiotic substances