

## George Stephenson Famous People

A brilliant, perceptive biography of the father and son who initiated the age of the railway.

George Stephenson starts work in a coal mine when he is fourteen. He learns all about the machines used there. Then he turns his attention to the steam locomotive, a new invention at the time. His success with his own steam locomotive, The Rocket, means he will always be remembered as the Father of the Railway.

The "Heinemann History Scheme" uses sources and activities to explain complex issues and helps students think through historical concepts for themselves. Every QCA Scheme topic is covered, and the tasks offer progression and integrated extended writing for literacy skills.

From poverty to immense wealth, from humble beginnings to international celebrity, George and Robert Stephenson's was an extraordinary joint career. Together they overshadow all other engineers, with the possible exception of Robert's friend Isambard Kingdom Brunel, for one vital reason: they were winners. For them it was not enough to follow the progress made by others. They had to be the best.

Colossal in confidence, ability, energy and ambition, George Stephenson was also a man of huge rages and jealousies, determined to create his own legend. Brought up from infancy by his father, Robert was a very different person. Driven by the need to be the super-successful son his father wanted, he struggled with self-distrust and morbid depression. More than once his career and reputation teetered on the edge of disaster. But by being flawed, he emerges as a far more appealing and sympathetic figure than the conventional picture of the 'eminent engineer.' David Ross's new biography of George and Robert Stephenson sheds new light on these two giants of British engineering.

Explore Newcastle's secret history through a fascinating selection of stories, facts and photographs.

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The Oxford Children's Book of Famous People is a one-stop guide to the people who matter. This stylish and information-packed book tells the stories of 1000 women and men whose lives have influenced the course of history. Learn about the famous and the infamous - leaders from Genghis Khan to Tony Blair; scientists and thinkers from Aristotle to Stephen Hawking; personalities from Rasputin to Michael Jordan. The text is organized alphabetically for easy reference, but there are also chronological and thematic directories linking people in time and by area of achievement. In this new edition the entries have been updated, and there are new biographies of such figures as George W Bush, J K Rowling, Julia Roberts and Steve Redgrave.

A fascinating collection of bizarre but true stories from nearly 200 years of railway history.

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As editor Kenneth E. Hendrickson, III, notes in his introduction: "Since the end of the nineteenth-century, industrialization has become a global phenomenon. After the relative completion of the advanced industrial economies of the West after 1945, patterns of rapid economic change invaded societies beyond western Europe, North America, the Commonwealth, and Japan." In The Encyclopedia of the Industrial Revolution in World History contributors survey the Industrial Revolution as a world historical phenomenon rather than through the traditional lens of a development largely restricted to Western society. The Encyclopedia of the Industrial Revolution in World History is a three-volume work of over 1,000 entries on the rise and spread of the Industrial Revolution across the world. Entries comprise accessible but scholarly explorations of topics from the "aerospace industry" to "zaibatsu." Contributor articles not only address topics of technology and technical innovation but emphasize the individual human and social experience of industrialization. Entries include generous selections of biographical figures and human communities, with articles on entrepreneurs, working men and women, families, and organizations. They also cover legal developments, disasters, and the environmental impact of the Industrial Revolution. Each entry also includes cross-references and a brief list of suggested readings to alert readers to more detailed information. The Encyclopedia of the Industrial Revolution in World History includes over 300 illustrations, as well as artfully selected, extended quotations from key primary sources, from Thomas Malthus' "Essay on the Principal of Population" to Arthur Young's look at Birmingham, England in 1791. This work is the perfect reference work for anyone conducting research in the areas of technology, business, economics, and history on a world historical scale.

George Stephenson is among the most famous engineers of all time. His rise from 'rags to riches' is a stirring story of its kind, but many of the works attributed to him should in fact be credited to young subordinates, not least his son, Robert. But much of the work of innovative engineers for his period lay not in the work itself but in persuading people that such work was desirable and necessary. It was in this field that George Stephenson excelled, providing openings in which his young proteges could change the world. They did not let him down, and we should give him full credit for being 'The Father of the Railways'. Adrian Jarvis specialises in the engineering and finance of dock and harbour construction, on which he has published extensively, but he also has a strong interest in early railways and in the general history of technology. Another book for Shire by this author is: The Victorian Engineer

George Stephenson is one of the world's most famous engineers. His pioneering work on steam-powered locomotion would supercharge the industrial revolution in the United Kingdom and help bring about the heyday of the British Empire. Through his talent and passion for engineering, Stephenson was able to transform the landscape around him, ushering in an era when travel across the country could be achieved in hours instead of days or even weeks. He is the epitome of the self-made man, rising from the lowest of origins to dominate the society in which he lived. Inside you will read about... ? A Childhood in Coal ? From Illiterate to Engineer ? The Self-Made Man ? The Safety Lamp Controversy ? The Liverpool-Manchester Failure ? The Rocket Takes Over the World And much more! This book tells the story of George Stephenson, from those humblest of origins to his final days as one of the country's most revered and successful men.

Much is known about the achievements of George Stephenson and of his infamous creation, the Rocket, yet little is known of the man himself. This volume is a profile of the self-taught and often testy Geordie, whose Victorian invention is now the backbone of every nation on the planet.

George Stephenson Franklin Watts

Reproduction of the original: The life of George Stephenson and of his son Robert Stephenson by Samuel Smiles

New Scientist magazine was launched in 1956 "for all those men and women who are interested in scientific discovery, and in its industrial, commercial and social consequences". The brand's mission is no different today - for its consumers, New Scientist reports, explores and interprets the results of human endeavour set in the context of society and culture.

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The Heinemann History Scheme offers an opportunity to refresh the approach to teaching at Key Stage 3. It uses sources and activities to explain complex issues and helps students think through historical concepts for themselves. The Scheme is an exact match to the QCA scheme of work.

America was made by the railroads. The opening of the Baltimore & Ohio line—the first American railroad—in the 1830s sparked a national revolution in the way that people lived thanks to the speed and convenience of train travel. Promoted by visionaries and built through heroic effort, the American railroad network was bigger in every sense than Europe's, and facilitated everything from long-distance travel to commuting and transporting goods to waging war. It united far-flung parts of the country, boosted economic development, and was the catalyst for America's rise to world-power status. Every American town, great or small, aspired to be connected to a railroad and by the turn of the century, almost every American lived within easy access of a station. By the early 1900s, the United States was covered in a latticework of more than 200,000 miles of railroad track and a series of magisterial termini, all built and controlled by the biggest corporations in the land. The railroads dominated the American landscape for more than a hundred years but by the middle of the twentieth century, the automobile, the truck, and the airplane had eclipsed the railroads and the nation started to forget them. In *The Great Railroad Revolution*, renowned railroad expert Christian Wolmar tells the extraordinary story of the rise and the fall of the greatest of all American endeavors, and argues that the time has come for America to reclaim and celebrate its often-overlooked rail heritage.

Today to many people driving a car is as essential as eating. Transportation has come a long way since its origins, but through the decades there have been significant advances in transportation technology. From the bicycle to the hybrid car, this book traces the most important transportation inventors and the inventions that made society what it is today.

This series of ten full colour story books details the lives and achievements of famous people whose actions, experiences or inventions have had a direct influence on our life today.

Just like today, with high-specification computers being used to design even higher specification models for the next generation, the making of machines to make machines was one of the most important aspects of the Industrial Revolution. The lathe, for example, is the oldest known machine tool and dates back to antiquity, but it wasn't until the late 17th century that such industries as clock making, the building of scientific instruments, furniture and gun makers, began to convert from woodworking lathes to ones that were capable of machining metal. Craftsmen needed precise machines that could shape metal gears, cut metal screws and stamp shapes out of metal, thus enabling others to assemble their products.

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