

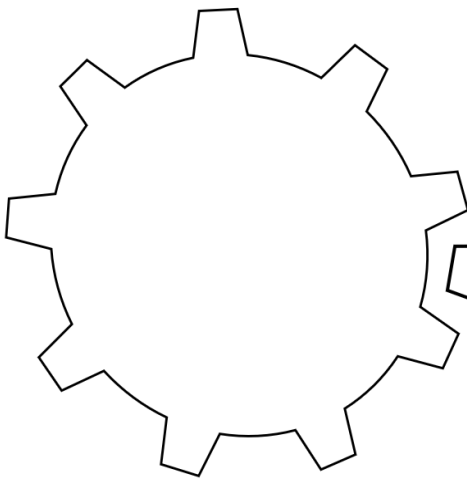


Timeline

List some pivotal moments of this innovator's life, along with the year.

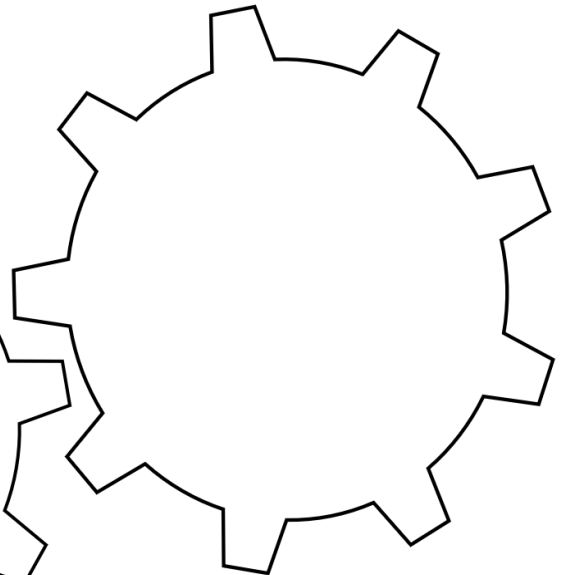
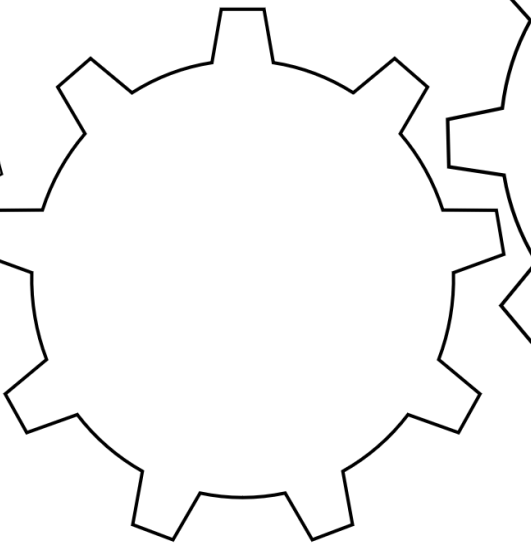
2. Brainstorm solutions!

List possible solutions to the problem.
Try to come up with multiple ideas.



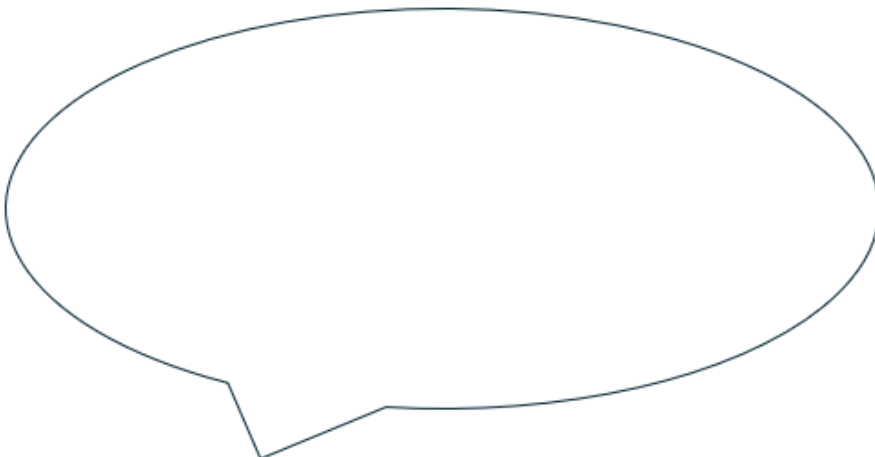
1. Identify a problem or need!

This could be at your school, home, or in your neighborhood.



3. Draw a picture!

Choose one of your brainstorm ideas and draw it. Can you describe how it works?



Vocabulary Builder

Choose a word from the glossary and use it in a sentence that clearly shows its meaning.



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Comprehension and Multiple Choice

(This section's questions correspond to the Guess or Mess episode. Play along!)

Circle the best answer or write the response on the line for each of the following questions.

1. At sixteen years old, Vanderbilt borrowed \$100 from his mother to start his own business. What did he buy?
 - a. Farmland
 - b. A sailboat
 - c. Stocks

2. What did young Cornelius do to avoid going to school?
 - a. Hid in his bedroom
 - b. Pretended to be sick
 - c. Helped his father

3. Why did Vanderbilt quit his sailing business to work for less money as the captain of a steamboat?
 - a. To learn the business
 - b. To hide from police
 - c. He was not good at it

4. When Vanderbilt purchased his own steamboats and went into business for himself, how low did he cut his fare to compete with his competitor's \$3 price?

5. When Vanderbilt started his first steamboat company, he became so successful that the Steamboat Association did what to get rid of him?
 - a. Accused him of crimes
 - b. Set fire to his boats
 - c. Paid him to leave

6. What is the term for a system in which one company has exclusive control over an industry, preventing others from competing freely?

7. How did Vanderbilt avoid arrest when police were searching for him for violating the steamboat monopoly?

8. What is one thing that Vanderbilt did NOT do to compete with his rivals in the transportation industry?
 - a. Lowered prices
 - b. Asked the government for help
 - c. Hired captains

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 - b. Circle
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Benjamin Franklin or Alexander Hamilton