
Famous Thinkers

Reading Comprehension

Albert Einstein

Have you ever wanted to know answers to things? For example, how do things work? What makes them work? Why do they work? Albert Einstein had this curiosity. He just wanted to know.

He was born in 1879 in Germany. Albert did not like to talk. He just wanted to think. He loved to build houses out of cards. It would take him a long time. He did the job slowly because the cards had to be just right.

Albert loved science and was very good at it. He kept looking for why things did what they did. He found out how they worked. Albert worked on making a bomb in Germany. He worked hard to know how it worked.

In 1933, he moved to the United States. He got a job studying how things worked. He loved his job. He wrote to the president. Albert said they had to make the bomb first. The president listened. We will always think about the things he learned in science. He was a great man.

Story Questions:

1. The word *loved* is...
 - a. future tense.
 - b. present tense.
 - c. past tense.

2. When did Einstein move to the United States?
 - a. 1923
 - b. 1933
 - c. 1879
 - d. 2006

3. What one thing do we know about Einstein?
 - a. He loved his cat.
 - b. He was the president.
 - c. He was born in the United States.
 - d. He always asked questions.

Journal Writing

4. **Write** 3-5 sentences to tell about something that you can do really well. Make sure to include lots of detail!

Word Problems

5. **Read** the word problems below and **write** the answers.
 - ★ There are 3 children that live in the Smith house to the right of Albert Einstein. Jenny is 3 years old. Seth is twice as old as Jenny. Roger is 5 years older than Seth. How old is each child in the Smith family?

 - ★ In the house to the left of Albert Einstein lives Roscoe and his twin brother, Jacob. It is their birthday next weekend. They each invite 3 friends to the party. How many people, including Roscoe and Jacob, will be at the party?

Fun Stuff!

6. [Try out these nine awesome science tricks using static electricity!](#)