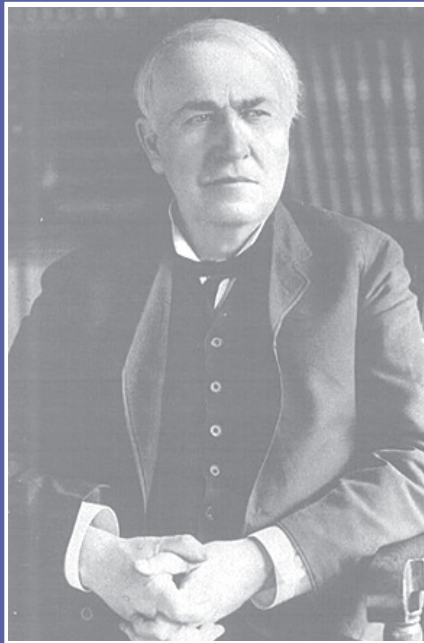
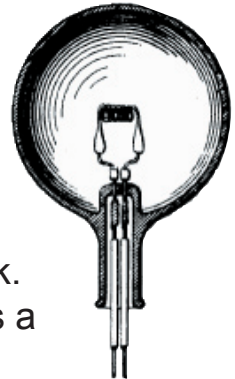


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A Famous Man

Thomas Edison was a very famous man. He was born in 1847. He made over one thousand inventions. One of his inventions was the light bulb. He invented the first light bulb in 1879. Without his invention, we might still be living in the dark! Another thing that Thomas Edison invented was “moving pictures.” Today we call them “movies.” Thomas Edison believed in hard work. Sometimes he even worked 20 hours a day.



1 The author wrote this story mainly to

- tell you about a famous inventor
- show you how to make a light bulb
- get you to work very hard every day
- give you facts about inventing movies

2 How can you tell that Thomas Edison worked very hard?

- He liked to work in the dark.
- He made over a thousand inventions.
- He was a very famous man.
- He liked to go to the movies.

3 Which of these does the author probably believe?

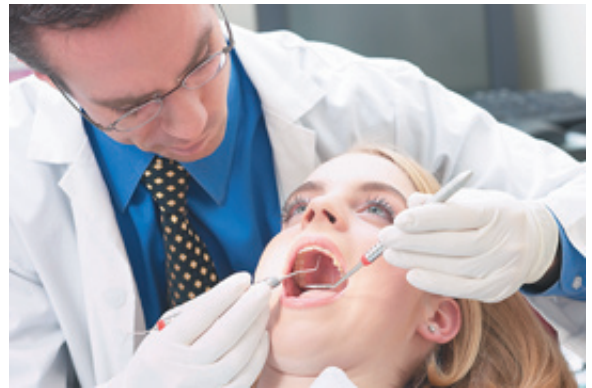
- Thomas Edison did not invent anything important.
- Thomas Edison watched a lot of moving pictures.
- Thomas Edison could have worked harder.
- Thomas Edison kept us from living in the dark.

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Smile!

Let's see those beautiful teeth! Taking good care of your teeth is important. Without strong teeth you can't eat the food that you need to stay strong and healthy. You should brush your teeth when you get up in the morning and again at night. You should also visit the dentist twice a year so that your teeth can be cleaned and checked for cavities. Be sure to take good care of your teeth so that you can always have a nice big smile.



4

The author wrote this story mainly to

- tell you what a dentist does
- give you facts about a smile
- get you to take good care of your teeth
- teach you how to brush your teeth

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Which of these does the author probably believe?

- You need strong teeth to stay healthy.
- Everyone gets cavities in their teeth.
- Smiling can help keep teeth strong.
- You should brush your teeth 3 times a day.

Answer Key

SAT Standard

Analyze author's purpose, assumptions, or viewpoint

Determine likely source of text

Determine unknown words from context

Discern speaker's voice

Select an appropriate reading strategy in a given situation

SSS Benchmark

LAA211: Determines the main idea or essential message from a text and identifies supporting information. (Recognizes differences in various types of text.)

LAA215: Uses simple materials of the reference system to obtain information. (Uses resources to obtain information.)

LAA112: Selects from a variety of simple strategies to identify words and construct meaning. (Uses knowledge of word order and context to support word identification and confirm word meaning.)

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Smile

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