Inventions
2015 - 2016 GRO Unit - Grade 3
Lake Hiawatha Branch Library Research Guide

Materials at the Lake Hiawatha Library
These are just a few of the books about inventions at the Lake Hiawatha Library.

**Eureka! Great Inventions and How They Happened** (2003) by Richard Platt, J609 PLA
An up-close look at popular inventions and the people who created them.

**How Nearly Everything Was Invented** (2006) by Jilly MacLeod, J609 MAC
A light-hearted look at inventions that have significantly impacted civilization.

**Invention** (2013) by Lionel Bender, J609 BEN
An exploration of inventions like the wheel, clocks, telephones, and rocket engines.

**Bright Ideas: The Age of Invention in America** (2005) by Ann Rossi, J609 ROS
A look back at an era marked by amazing advances in science and technology.

**The Kid Who Invented the Trampoline** (2001) by Don L. Wulffson, J609 WUL
Fifty incredible stories about how everyday things were invented.

**So You Want To Be An Inventor?** (2002) by Judith St. George, J604 STG
Learn about some of the most important inventions and the people who created them. This book might inspire you to invent something yourself!

**Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women** (2000) by Catherine Thimmesh, J609.2 THI
Women throughout history solve everyday problems with inventions.

Helpful Websites

**A Class Act: Women Inventors**
ideafinder.com/features/classact/women.htm

**Have Fun With History: American Science & Inventions**
havefunwithhistory.com/HistorySubjects/ScienceInvention.html

**US Patent Office for Kids**
uspto.gov/kids/

**Wonderopolis.org**
Wonder/cankidsbeinventorstoo/

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- Kids Search
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J609 Books on INVENTIONS

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- Innovations
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