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# Thomas Edison & Grit - Vocab Cards

## communication ]>

**the act of sharing information and ideas using words, signs, etc.**

Cellphones are a popular tool for \_communication\_ because they can connect people who live all over the world.



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## device ]>

**an invention that does a particular thing.**

The laptop computer is a \_device\_ that allows people to work anywhere they like.

Synonyms: instrument, gadget, tool



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**experiment ]>**

**to try out different ways of doing things.**

I had to \_experiment\_ to find the perfect shade of color for my new raspberry soda recipe.

Synonyms: trial, test



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**invention ]>**

**something created for the first time, like a new machine.**

Alexander Graham Bell is famous for his \_invention\_ of the telephone.

Synonyms: innovation



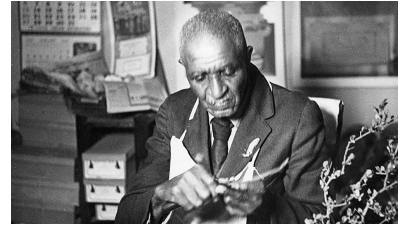
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**inventor ]>**

**one who thinks of and makes something that has never been made before.**

George Washington Carver was a creative thinker and an \_inventor\_ who made several new products from peanuts, sweet potatoes, and soybeans.



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**modify ]>**

**to change or amend.**

Carla decided to \_modify\_ her room by painting it orange.

Synonyms: adjust, revise, vary



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## patent ]>

**a governmental guarantee that gives someone the right to be the only person who makes or sells an invention, usually for a specific time.**

He protected his robot invention with a \_patent\_, so that no one else could build one just like it.



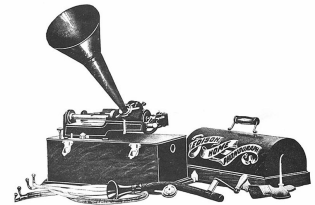
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## phonograph ]>

**a machine that plays sounds and music that have been recorded on the grooves of a disk; an early record player.**

After I clean the old \_phonograph\_ that I found at the antique store, I'll use it to play my favorite records.



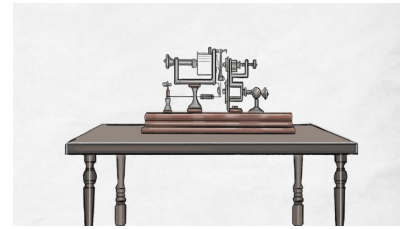
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**telegraph ]>**

**an old-fashioned method of sending messages in code over a long distance using electrical wires.**

Before telephones were invented, people communicated over long distances with a \_telegraph\_ machine.



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