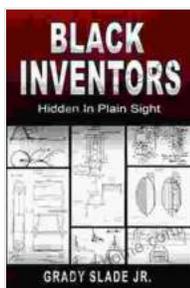


# Black Inventors Hidden In Plain Sight

## Revealing the Untold Stories of Ingenious Minds

Throughout history, Black inventors have made groundbreaking contributions to science, technology, engineering, and medicine. Yet, their stories often remain hidden or marginalized. *Black Inventors Hidden In Plain Sight* sheds light on these unsung heroes, unveiling the remarkable inventions that have shaped our modern world.



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**The Traffic Light: Garrett A. Morgan (1877-1963)**



In the bustling streets of early 20th-century Cleveland, chaos reigned as horse-drawn carriages, automobiles, and pedestrians navigated intersections without any guidance. Garrett A. Morgan, an African American inventor, witnessed countless accidents and set out to find a solution.

Morgan's ingenious invention, the three-position traffic signal, was patented in 1923. It consisted of a semaphore arm with red, yellow, and green lights, which alternated automatically. This revolutionary device brought order to intersections, reducing accidents and saving countless lives.

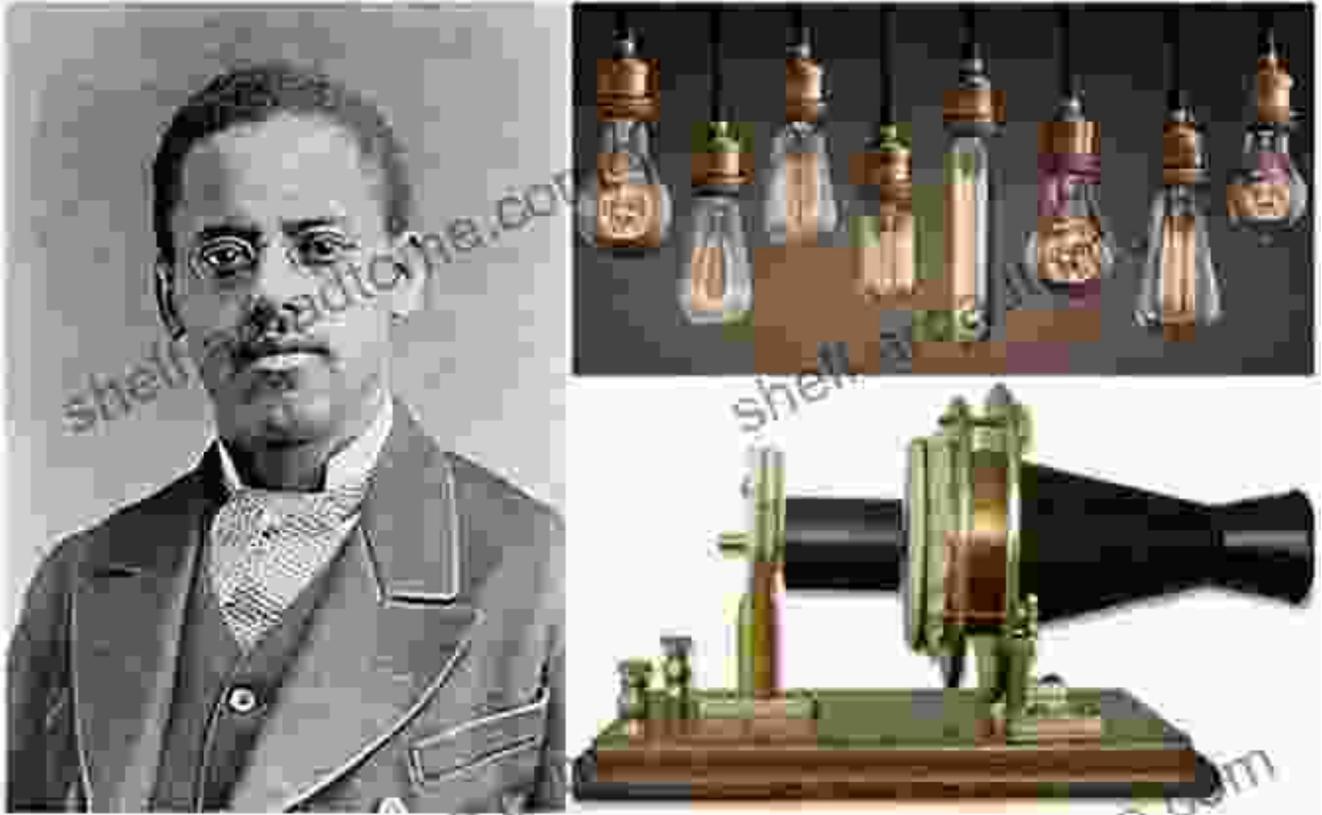
### **The Supercomputer: Kathy Johnson (1959-present)**



In the realm of computing, where speed and power are paramount, Kathy Johnson's brilliance shines through. As a computer scientist at IBM, she led the team that developed the first supercomputer, the IBM System/360 Model 91. This groundbreaking machine revolutionized scientific research and laid the foundation for modern computing.

Johnson's unwavering dedication and exceptional programming skills earned her the nickname "the Mother of Supercomputing." Her contributions to the field continue to inspire generations of scientists and engineers.

**The Telephone: Lewis Howard Latimer (1848-1928)**



The iconic telephone, a lifeline of modern communication, owes much to the ingenuity of Lewis Howard Latimer. As a draftsman and inventor, Latimer worked with Alexander Graham Bell to improve the telephone's functionality.

Latimer's most notable contribution was the invention of the carbon filament for light bulbs. This innovative material enabled the development of telephones with long-lasting, reliable lights, making them practical for widespread use.

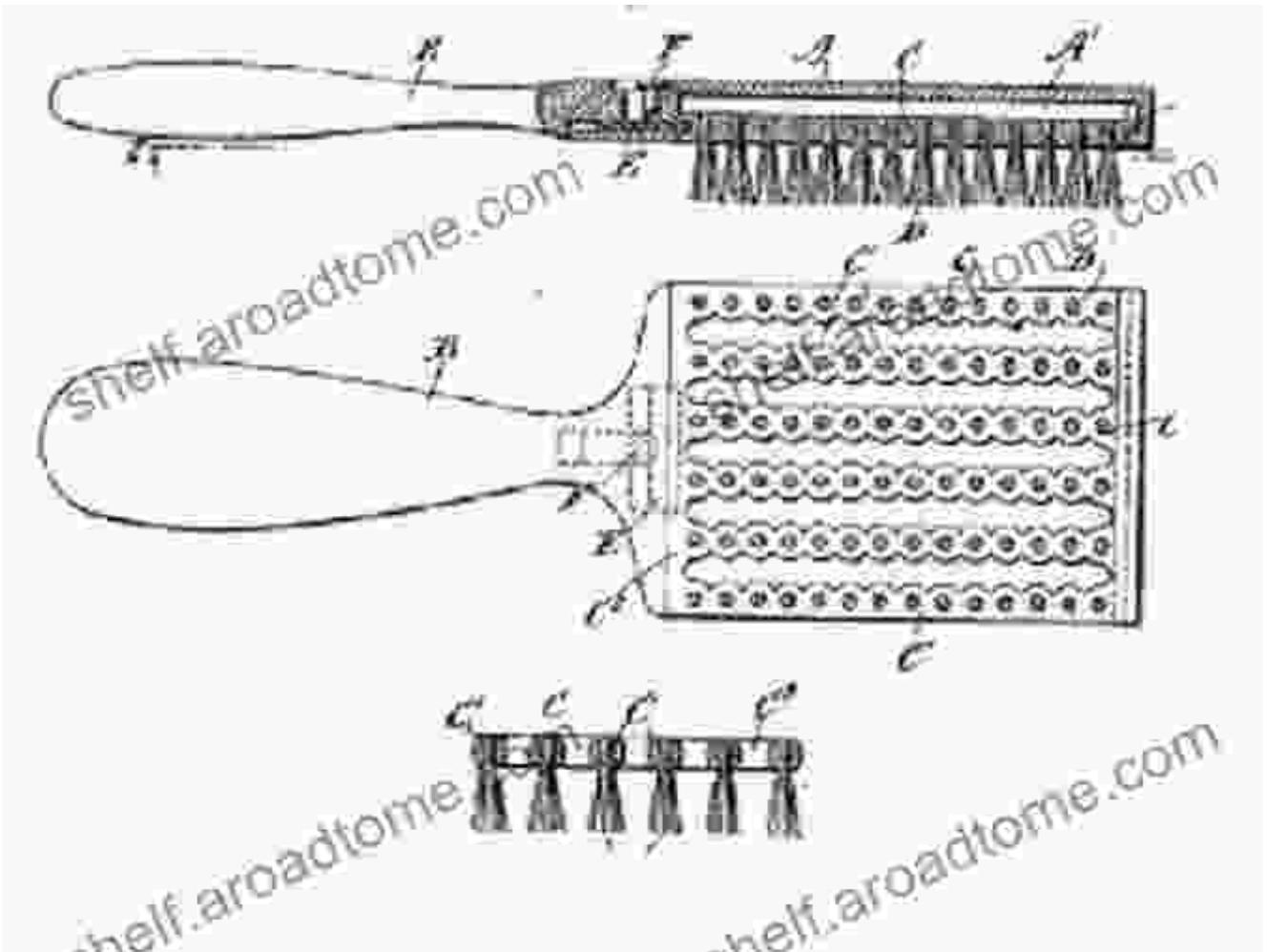
### **The Gas Mask: Garrett A. Morgan (1877-1963)**



Beyond his traffic light invention, Garrett A. Morgan also made significant contributions to safety and protection. During World War I, he witnessed the devastating effects of chemical warfare on soldiers. In response, he developed a gas mask that provided effective respiratory protection.

Morgan's gas mask included a filter with activated charcoal, which absorbed harmful gases. It proved invaluable in protecting soldiers and civilians from chemical attacks.

### **The Hairbrush: Lyda D. Newman (1893-1983)**



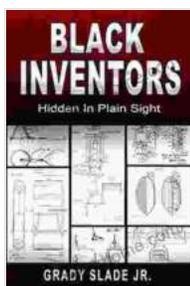
повседневная вещь, как расческа, претерпела революцию благодаря изобретательности Lyda D. Newman. В начале 20 века она изобрела расческу с широкими зубьями, которая бережно относилась к кудрявым и афроамериканским волосам.

Newmans invention addressed a specific need in the African American community, where existing hairbrushes often damaged delicate curls. Her patented design provided gentle detangling and reduced hair breakage.

*Black Inventors Hidden In Plain Sight* is a testament to the extraordinary ingenuity and contributions of African American inventors. Their stories

inspire us to recognize the hidden treasures that lie within our communities and to celebrate the unsung heroes who have shaped our world.

From the traffic light that guides our streets to the supercomputers that power our scientific advancements, the legacy of Black inventors is woven into the fabric of our modern lives. By uncovering their hidden stories, we pay tribute to their genius and challenge the historical erasure that has marginalized their achievements.



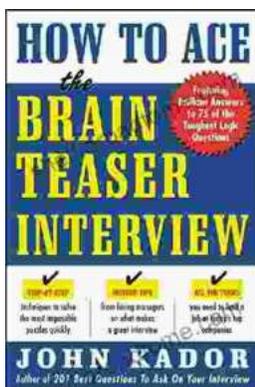
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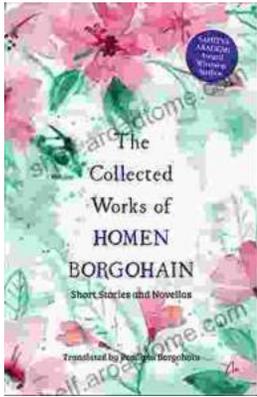
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