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Synopsis

Twelve stories of great inventions, grouped under inventions of steam and electric power, inventions of manufacture and production, and inventions of printing and communication. The final chapter introduces the famous inventors of the early twentieth century. The story of each invention is interwoven with that of the life of its inventor. Through these stories the reader learns how big things are brought about, and on the traits of mind and heart which make for success. Suitable for ages 10 to 14.

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I am using this book as part of my homeschool 6th grade science curriculum. These stories in this book give the student an introduction to the lives of several great inventors. I love this book because there is enough information within the stories to give the student a really good understanding of certain concepts (like creating a vacuum seal), but not so much information that it is overwhelming. While there are no specific experimental activities mentioned in this book, I believe that it is written in a way in which children and adults can easily apply some of the scientific concepts to everyday living. For example, the first chapter is about the creation of the steam engine, but after reading the text, my son was able to understand that he could create his very own vacuum in a bottle if he placed hot water in the bottle, sealed it, then placed it in a bowl of ice cold water. I love how he watched patiently for the bottle to begin to pull inward. This book is well written and to be honest, as a science lover, it is a book that I would read even if I weren't using it as part of my son's science curriculum!

It is a wonderful book about how we are so blessed with the modern conveniences we have. The information on how things in and outside our homes have shaped our lives. The book was well priced and I recommend to anyone interested in great inventions.

Nice concise chapters on each inventor. Good overview.

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