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Masters of Invention Black History Month

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEPT9lwpEjw>

1. Why don't we have an accurate account of how many patents were issued to African American inventors?
2. Who was the person responsible for gathering information about early African American inventors?
3. Who taught himself the fundamentals of astronomy by reading books, and became a leading astronomer in the 1700s?
4. Who invented a device that aided in the control of sails on ships in the 1800s?
5. Who would sometimes (unjustly) take credit for African American's inventions?
6. Who invented a propeller specifically designed for steam boats?
7. Who revolutionized the sugar industry?
8. By what year were patent restraints on African Americans lifted?
9. Who revolutionized the shoe manufacturing industry by creating a "shoe lasting" machine?
10. Who patented the "air-brake" system for railroads in the late 1870s?

11. What did George Grant invent?
12. What did Louis Latherman patent?
13. What nickname was Granville T. Woods known as?
14. What two important inventions did Garon Morgan invent?
15. Who is best known for his work with peanuts?
16. Who became a millionaire for her hair-care products without even patenting them?
17. What invention did Alice H. Parker improve upon?
18. What did Dr. Patricia Bath patent in 1988?
19. What simple item did engineer Lonnie Johnson invent?
20. Why did engineer Lonnie Johnson say he created his simple invention?