



**Level: 3m.s**

**February 2020**

**English test / 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter**

Class :

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**Text**

Thomas Alva Edison is one of the most famous and greatest inventors of all time who was born in Milan, Ohio USA on February 11<sup>th</sup> 1847. His family moved to Port Huron, Michigan, when he was 7 years old. He started school one year later, surprisingly; he attended school for only two months because his teacher thought that he wasn't clever enough, so Edison was mostly self-educated. Yet he began to make experiments in physics at home. At the age of twelve Edison became deaf, but continued to carry out experiments. On December 9<sup>th</sup>, 1914 fire destroyed Edison's laboratory while he was making experiments. This didn't discourage him. So he re-built the laboratory and continued to spend much of his time making experiments. He called himself a "two-shift man" because he worked 16 out of every 24 hours. Thomas Edison died at the age of 84 on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 1931, at his estate where he left numerous inventions that improved the quality of life all over the world. The electric light was not his only invention. He also invented the phonograph, the motion picture camera, and over 1.200 other things.

**1. Reading comprehension: (7pts)**

**a. I read the text carefully then I fill in the following table: (2pts)**

Full name	Date and place of birth	inventions	Date of death
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**B. Read the text again and answer by "true" or "false". (3pts)**

- Thomas Edison was taught and formed by his teacher → .....
- Thomas Edison used to call himself "the most intelligent man" → .....
- Thomas Edison's inventions made our lives better today → .....

**C. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to : (1pt)**





