

INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

Angličtina: Benjamin Franklin

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Stručný obsah	Základní informace o Benjaminu Franklinovi
Způsob využití	Snímky prezentují základní informace o Benjaminu Franklinovi jako jedné z významných osobností americké historie. Součástí jsou kontrolní otázky a závěrečné shrnutí obsahu.
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Who is it?

- It is a man
- He was one of America's most famous Founding Fathers
- He was a wise and clever political leader, writer and printer, and a scientist who invented many things
- He helped to write the Declaration of Independence and the American Constitution

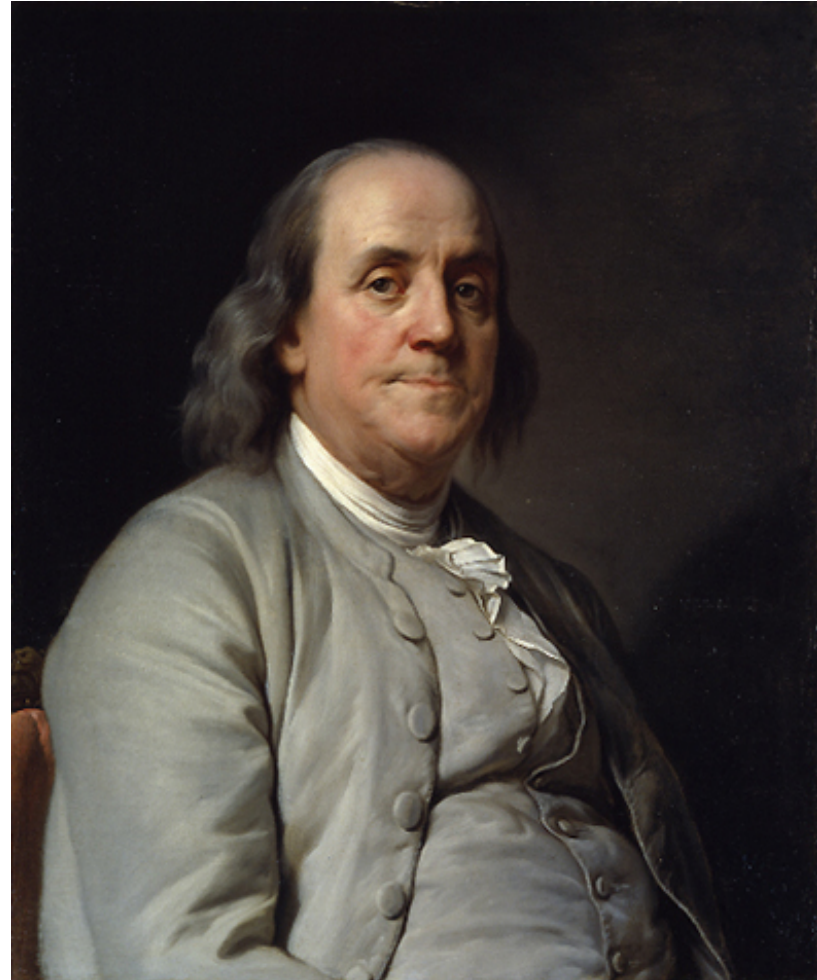
Benjamin Franklin



Benjamin Franklin

(1706-90)

- a political leader
- a writer
- a printer
- a scientist
- the Founding Father
- helped to write the Declaration of Independence and the American Constitution



- in 1776 went to France and persuaded the French to send money and military forces for the American Revolution
- published Poor Richard's Almanach



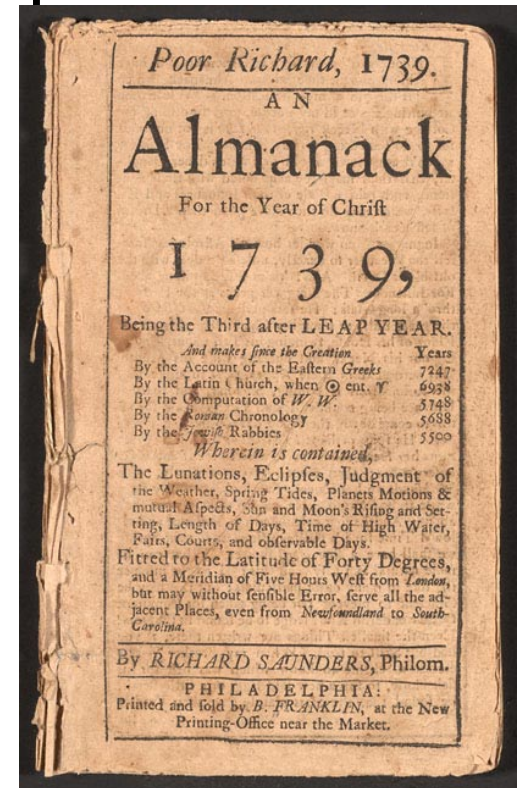
Poor Richard's Almanach

- written under the name of Richard Saunders
- contained useful information on important

dates, anniversaries etc., as well as wise advice in the form of sayings and verses, such as

“Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.”

“Fish and visitors stink in three days.”



Franklin's inventions

- as a scientist, he was a major figure in the American Enlightenment and the history of physics for his discoveries and theories regarding electricity
- proved that lightning is electricity by flying a kite in a storm

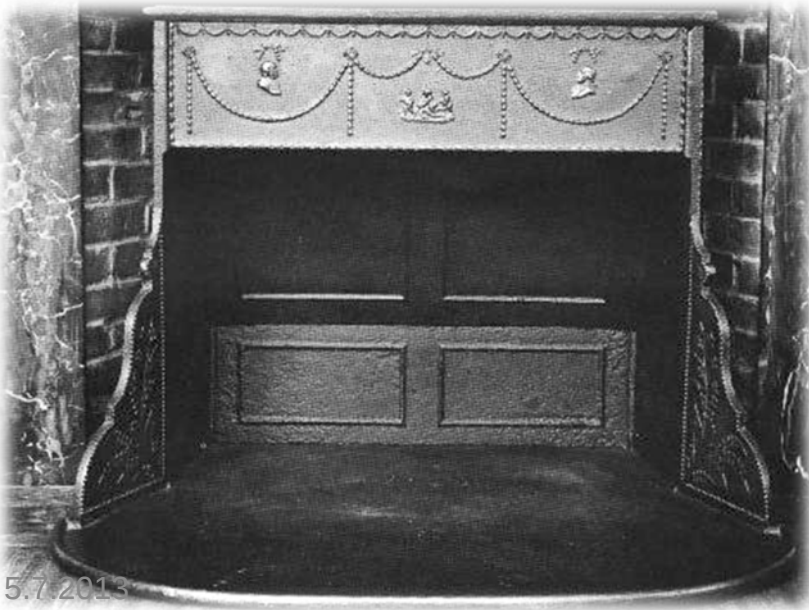
Benjamin Franklin's kite experiment →

- his inventions included e.g.:
the lightning rod, bifocals,
glass armonica, Franklin stove, etc.

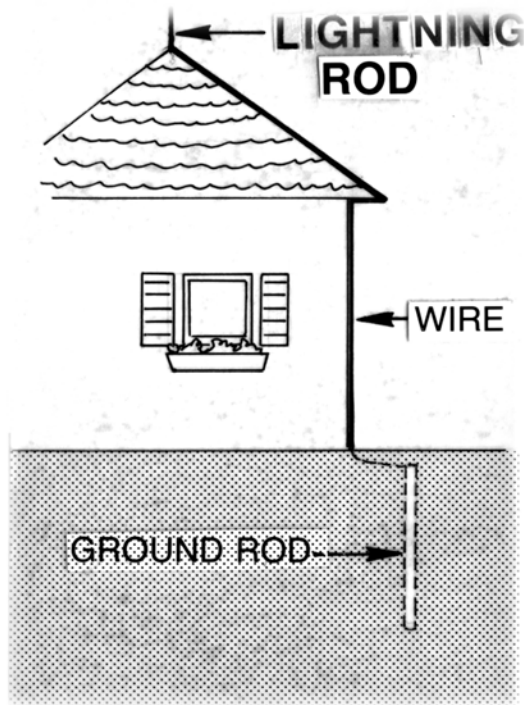




← Franklin's glass harmonica, also known as the glass armonica- a type of musical instrument



← Franklin stove- a metal-lined fireplace



← Lightning rod diagram



Bifocals by Benjamin Franklin →

TASK 1:

Answer the following questions about Benjamin Franklin:

- Who was Benjamin Franklin?
- Which two important documents of American history did he help to write?
- What did he publish? What does it include?
- What did he invent?
- Do you think that these inventions are useful?
- What did he do in France in 1776?

TASK 2:

Work in pairs and talk about Benjamin Franklin. The following words can help you.

- politician
- scientist
- writer
- Founding Father
- write
- publish
- persuade
- invent

Zdroje

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