HISTORICAL FIGURE AND HOW IT INSPIRED ME

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**Introduction**

Historical figure refers to a person who was living in the past whose act has inserted a lot of awareness on people’s lives. Different historical figure came up with different things. Some historical figures are still alive up to date. Aspiration refers to the driving force pulling you to do something despite the challenges you undergo in it. Historical figure exert significant impact in our day to day lives.

Thomas Edison, an American (inventor of the light bulb) was born in the year 1847, February, 11 and died in October, 18, 1931. Due to his bad performance in school, Edison was homeschooled just like any other child. He was the last born and the fourth surviving among 6 siblings of Samuel Edison, Junior and Nancy Elliot Edison. In the year 1863, Edison began his carrier in the telegraph industry, where the batteries putting on low voltage was the only source of electricity. Before Edison was born, scientists use to walk around with incandescent lamp with the filament which produces light only after heated by electric current. There are certain stages in the developing process. (Edison, 1878)

When Edison came into lightning scene, he focused on how he could improve the filament, where he first tested the carbon followed by platinum. Edison produced an uncoated cotton carbonized filament light bulb lasting for 14.5 hours. He continues to do more practice until the bulb could last for 1200 hours. After ten years, a better vacuum pump for removing air from the bulb was made as well improvement in light bulb. There after Edison merged with Thomson-House Electric Company, this used to produce incandescent bulbs. Edison continued to work on the bulb until everything was done. In 1882 he demonstrated that through central generator location, with wires arranged in series and in tubes electricity could be distributed. Improvement was also made to filament and bulb efficiency. When everything was done he thought of fixing other inert gases like nitrogen. By 1900s the bulb could produce blue green light. To achieve commercial success he would have to create a complete electrical system to generate and deliver electric energy to customers (Sulzberger, 2014)

Edison inspires me, never to give up. Even though the process was long Edison kept trying and improving on the bulb. When you want to do better, find the ways of achieving it. When Edison first saw the batteries putting on low voltage as the source of electricity he had a dream of making it better. He also inspires me that person’s success in not through academics alone but in through everything you are determined to do to your best. Edison was just homeschooled since he was not bright but he has determination and interest towards lightning.

**Conclusion**

In invention of light bulb there were just mall continuous improvement and it has led to the bulbs we are using today. Therefore, putting more effort and working harder on achieving great idea matters than just having the idea.

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