

Naturally, as a passionate computer science student, my favorite historical character is Alan Turing. Alan Turing is considered the father of computers and his existence has changed the course of history. Alan Turing is not only my favorite character because of his accomplishments, but also because he was also forced to hide part of who he was in fear of discrimination.

|) Alan Turing is considered the father of computers because he managed to make a machine, the Bombe, that was able to do millions of calculations.

A) This feat. was not only impressive because the machine was incredibly complex and efficient, but also because of the time in history.

1) The Bombe was created over 80 years ago at this point and is still commonly taught about in lecture to this day.

a) When you hear the term computer science, you think of Alan Turing and his methods.

||) Secondly, Alan Turing was literally the definition of the butterfly effect.

A) He was extremely crucial to the Allies in World War 1 and was able to help them beat the Axis powers.

1) He was able to make his machine that decrypted previously thought of as unbreakable encrypted messages sent by the Germans.

|||) Lastly, though he was able to conquer the challenges presented to him outside of himself, the same cannot be said for himself.

A) Alan Turing had committed suicide, and the root cause of his death was his homosexuality.

1) Turing was forced to hide who he truly was underneath in order to protect himself from danger.

I have learned so much from the story of Alan Turing. I have learned that not only can you overcome impossible challenges thrown at you, but also that anyone is capable of anything and they shouldn't be afraid to express themselves the

way they are. His accomplishments were great, and his death was tragic, but I'm confident that even if you are not passionate about computer science, you will still find his life to be impressive to say the least.