1. His name is James Joseph Parsons.
2. He was born on the 24th March, 1973.
3. Jim was born and raised in Houston, Texas.
4. He is the oldest of two children.
5. He is most well-known for his role as Sheldon Cooper in [*The Big Bang Theory*](http://www.thefactsite.com/tag/the-big-bang-theory).
6. Ever since his very first pay, as a bird, at school, he had a passion for acting.
7. He attended Klein Oak High School in Spring, Texas.
8. After graduating from high school, Jim received an undergraduate degree from the University of Houston.
9. During his 3 years at University, he appeared in 17 plays!
10. He later enrolled in graduate school at the University of San Diego in 1999 and graduated in 2001.
11. His favourite show growing up was *Three’s A Crowd*.
12. Jim is a big fan of *American Idol*, [*Lost*](http://www.thefactsite.com/tag/lost) and *Grey’s Anatomy*.
13. Currently Jim lives in Los Angeles.
14. Jim loves to play the piano.
15. He is also a big fan of [tennis](http://www.thefactsite.com/2009/02/tennis-scoring-system.html), baseball, and basketball.
16. Parsons is currently engaged to Todd Spiewak.
17. Jim is 6’2 tall.
18. He often panics the day before taping *The Big Bang Theory*, as he is worried that he will forget his lines.
19. Jim’s favourite character on *The Big Bang Theory* is Penny.
20. His mother and sister are both teachers.
21. His father was the president of a plumbing company, but sadly passed away in a car accident in 2001.
22. Jim’s nickname, (apart from Jim!) is Jimmy Pea.
23. In 2010, Jim won an Emmy Award for an Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series for his part on *The Big Bang Theory*.
24. In an interview, Jim said that *The Big Bang Theory* has changed his life.
25. During the filming for the show, he often encounters a lot of references to scientific things, and many jokes from Sci-fi films. He has said in many interviews that he has to do research into each of these things to find out what they mean! He has also said that he has never seen *Star Trek*!
26. Jim was voted friendliest in his high school graduating class. Awwh!
27. He is good friends with co-stars [Simon Helberg](http://www.thefactsite.com/2012/02/20-interesting-facts-about-simon.html) and [Kaley Cuoco](http://www.thefactsite.com/2012/04/25-facts-about-kaley-cuoco.html).
28. Parsons’ zodiac sign is Aries.
29. Has appeared in 15 failed TV pilots.
30. In May 2012, Jim Parsons is scheduled to appear on *Broadway* as “Elwood P. Dowd” in a revival of Harvey.