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STATISTICIAN JOHN WILDER TUKEY

Most important events in his professional career.	Most important situations in his professional career.
1. John spent most of his life at Princeton, where he founded the university's Department of Statistics and taught for decades.	1. He became a consultant to government, corporations and other organizations, and was a prominent participant in social debates.
2. The introduction of modern techniques for estimating time series spectra.	2. Tukey worked on the development of statistical methods for computers at Bell Labs, where he invented the term "bit" in 1947.
3. He founded Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), a new approach to statistics that makes heavy use of a set of techniques based on the use of graphs.	3. Tukey, He introduced the box plot in his 1977 book, "Exploratory Data Analysis".
4. His involvement in industry and government: AA&T Bell Labs, Merck & Co. and the Bureau of Fire Control Research, during World War II, are some examples.	4. Tukey coined many statistical terms that have become part of common usage, but the two most famous coinages attributed to him were related to computer science.
5. He has been one of the great statistical talents of the 20th century, with important contributions to topology, Information Visualization and especially to statistics, including its philosophy.	5. Tukey was also an amateur linguist who made important contributions to the language of modern times.
6. In the 1950s, decades before Microsoft was founded, he introduced the word software, and predicted, it	6. By the 1950s, while working for the National Research Council, he caused

| would be at least as important as hardware. | a sensation by criticizing Alfred C. Kinsey's research on sexual behavior. |