

The life of John Dalton

John Dalton was born in Eaglesfield, Cumberland in 1766. His father was a poor weaver. He went to the village school, and by the time he was twelve he was teaching the other children. He was very interested in collecting plants and studying the weather.

In 1793 Dalton moved to Manchester. He taught mathematics and sciences. He also studied chemistry and published many books on his discoveries. In 1808 he published his book 'A New system of Chemical Philosophy'. This made him very famous.

Answer the questions about John Dalton

Where was Dalton born?	In Eaglesfield, Cumbria
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What was his family like?	
What was he interested in?	
What did he study?	
What was his job?	
Why was he famous?	

Find out about a famous scientist from your country. Make some notes

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Use your notes to help you write some sentences about your scientist

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