Alexander Graham Bell http://gardenofpraise.com/ibdbell.htm

Directions: Underline the words in the story as you find them, unscramble them and write them in the boxes below. Alexander Graham Bell was born in Scotland. His mother was deaf and his father, who taught deaf people how to speak, invented "Visible Speech". Graham, or "Aleck", as his family called him, was interested in working with the deaf throughout his life. He only attended school for five years; from the time he was 10 until he was 14, but he never stopped learning. He went to Boston to open a school for teachers of the deaf and then became a professor at Boston University. It was at this time that he met Mabel Hubbard, one of his students who was 10 years younger than he. Mabel had become deaf at the age of four due to scarlet fever. Five years later they were married. They had three sons. Thomas Watson became an associate of Bell. One day while they were working Bell accidently heard the sound of a plucked reed coming over the telegraph wire. Bell drew up a plan for the telephone and they continued to experiment. The next day he transmitted the famous words, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you!" A few months later on Feb. 14, 1876, he applied for a patent on his telephone. Because Bell had the patent, he had the right to be the only one to produce telephones in the U.S. for the next 19 years. He showed the invention to Queen Victoria of England and she wanted lines to connect her castles. By 1917, nearly all of the United State had telephone service. He continued to invent other things. He along with others started the National Geographic Society and he served as its president for several years. He became a U.S. citizen, but he died in Canada at the age of 75.

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