

So who was this man called Galileo and what did he do?



1. Galileo originally began studying medicine, but switched to mathematics.
2. Galileo's dad, Vincenzo, was a famous musician and composer.
3. Galileo played the lute to a very high standard – his dad taught him!
4. There is a very famous play called 'Life of Galileo' by the German playwright Bertolt Brecht.
5. Galileo was the first person to officially study the night sky with a telescope.
6. Galileo was sent to prison for his scientific belief that the sun was at the centre of the solar system.
7. It wasn't until 1992 that the Catholic Church officially cleared Galileo of wrong-doing for his scientific opinions.
8. Galileo was the first person to spot the four moons of Jupiter – they are known as the Galilean moons.
9. Galileo's first job was as an art teacher.
10. Galileo discovered that our moon has mountains and craters.

Now find out 3 facts of your own:

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- 3.