

‘The Unsung’

Celebrating the Achievements of Black Inventors

Performed by Frances Simon LAMDA group

From ‘101 Black Inventors and their Inventions’ by Joy James

Imagine a world without
potato crisps...

CATHERINE (KATE) SPECK WICKS

Potato Crisps

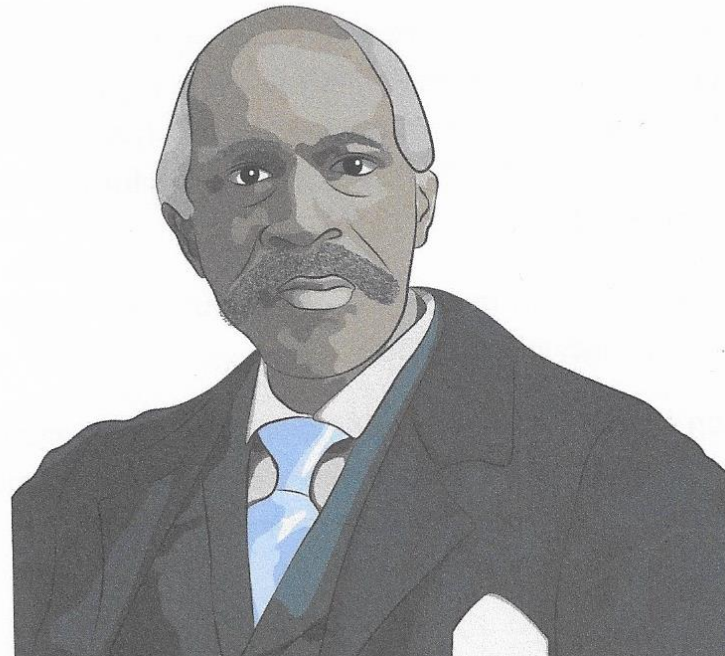
Catherine Speck Wicks was a restaurant cook who invented potato crisps.

Imagine a world without a
refrigerator...

THOMAS ELKINS

Refrigeration Apparatus

Dr Thomas Elkins was a pharmacist who designed a refrigeration apparatus.



Imagine a world without the
acoustic guitar...

ROBERT FRANCIS FLEMMING JR

Acoustic Guitar (modern)

Robert Francis Flemming Jr was a musician, composer, and music store owner who invented the acoustic guitar.

Imagine a world without gas
central heating...

ALICE PARKER

Heating System

Alice Parker was a cook who invented a heating system using natural gas.



Imagine a world without the
artificial heart pacemaker...

OTIS FRANK BOYKIN

Artificial Heart Pacemaker Control Unit

Otis Frank Boykin was an engineer who invented a control unit for the pacemaker, a device that helps the heart beat properly.



Imagine a world without the
home video games console

GERALD (JERRY) LAWSON

Home Video Game Console

Gerald Lawson was an engineer and game designer who pioneered the first home video game console with game cartridges.



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