



**Celebrate the many contributions of African Americans
with these activities picked just for you!**

Red Light, Yellow Light, Green Light: Play this game in honor of Garrett Morgan, the inventor of the traffic light. When you say “green light” your child can run, walk, or even dance as fast as they like. When you say “yellow light” your child has to slow their actions down. When you say “red light” your child has to stop! Show your child a real traffic light and explain the what each color means.

Take a swing: The invention of the golf tee by Dr. George Grant helped make hitting a golf ball much easier. Show your child how to stick the tee in the ground and then take a swing with a golf club (child-size, plastic golf clubs are easy to find!)

One scoop or two? Alfred L. Cralle invented the ice cream scoop in 1897. Show your child how to use the scoop with their favorite flavor of ice cream!

Looking good! The hairbrush was patented by Lyda Newman and is a tool that is used daily. Grab a few hairbrushes, barrettes, bows, and hair clips and have some fun taking turns fixing hair with your child. Who knows the styles your child will come up with!

Sending Your Love: The “street letter box”, which later became the mailbox, was invented by Philip B. Downing. Help your child write a letter to a friend or relative. Show them how to put it in an envelope, address it, and put a stamp on it. Then, let them place it in the mailbox for the mail carrier to take. Hopefully, your child will receive a letter back!



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