

Eponyms

It's all in the name

Etymology of the word Eponyms

Eponym has Greek roots and comes from the word **epōnumos** which is made up of the;

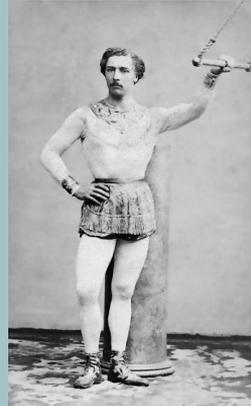
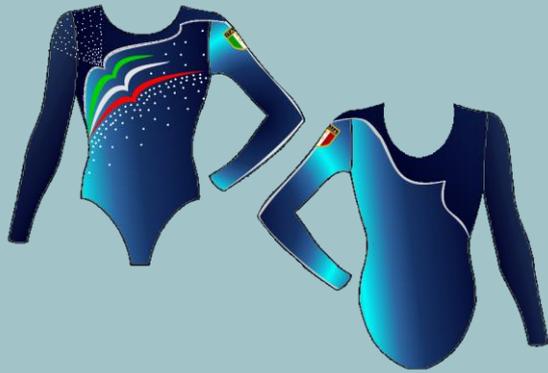
Prefix **epi** meaning upon or after and;

onoma meaning name

So simply put 'named after'

An **Eponym** refers to a person or thing after which something else has been named.

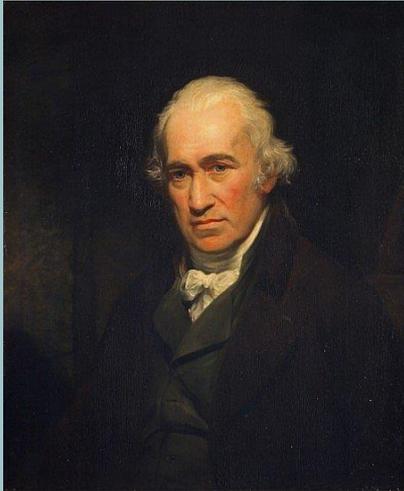
Examples - Leotard



Jules Léotard was a French acrobatic performer who developed the art of trapeze. He also popularised the one-piece gym wear the leotard which is now named after him.

Examples - Watt

The word watt is the common name for a unit of electric power named after its developer James Watt



Examples - America

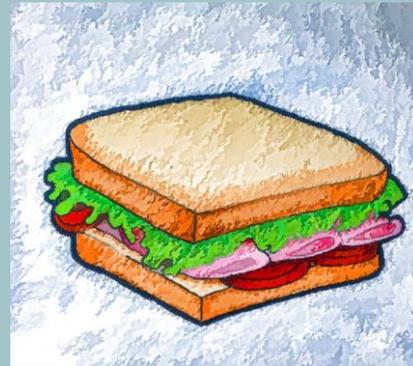
Did you know that America is named after the Italian map maker (cartographer) Amerigo Vespucci.



Examples - Sandwich

The word sandwich is named after the fourth Earl of Sandwich

He was a nobleman in England who liked to play cards. He would order his valet (servant) to bring him meat tucked between two pieces of bread so he didn't have to leave the game and so his fingers wouldn't get dirty. Other nobleman began to order "the same as Sandwich" so this is why we call a sandwich a sandwich



Can you work out the eponyms below?

Lord Cardigan of Great Britain gave us the name for a jumper that opens down the centre?



Antoine Joseph Sax of Belgium developed a wind instrument first played in Paris in 1844?



General Ambrose Burnside wore whiskers down the side of his face. Today these are called?



Robert Bunsen, a German scientist, developed a gas burner with a hot flame called a?



Louis Pasteur of France discovered a process to preserve food (especially milk) called?



Two really fast cars designed in Italy are named after their developers. Looks great in red?



Brainstorm more eponyms and add them below

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Fun Challenge - What would be your eponym?

What item or thing might one day be known as an Elijah, an Andrews, an Adau or a Gwen, a Jayce, a Callum
Be creative

Example - a super funny and extremely clever teacher will (in the near future) be known by the name a Miss Karen 😊