

# Intelligence: Gardner's Theory of Multiple Intelligences

For each of the following people, explain their intelligence using Gardner's eight intelligences using your notes and/or book. Many of these people have more than one type, however each description will guide you towards one particular intelligence. Gardner's 8 Intelligences are: Visual Spatial, Linguistic Verbal, Logical Mathematical, Body Kinesthetics, Musical Rhythmic, Interpersonal Intelligence, Intrapersonal Intelligence, and Naturalistic.



## Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Composer, Musician

Mozart showed prodigious ability from his earliest childhood. Already competent on keyboard and violin, he composed from the age of five and performed before European royalty. He composed over 600 works that are still being performed over 200 years later.

Name that Intelligence! \_\_\_\_\_

## Barack Obama, U.S. President

Among the many intelligences possessed by President Barack Obama, his ability to write and perform great speeches is among his best. Obama has a reputation as one of the greatest presidential orators in history. He has the ability to paint a picture in the minds of his audience with mere words. In addition to legislation and speeches, Obama has written three books, weekly addresses and more.



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## Ronald Reagan, U.S. President

Among the many intelligences possessed by Ronald Reagan, one of his best abilities was to understand the motivations and needs of those around him. This enabled him to persuade his own influence on those around him. President Reagan was called "*The Great Communicator*" because of excellent communication skills and his ability to influence people. He also excelled at nonverbal communication, enabling him to perceive the moods, feelings and motivations of others.

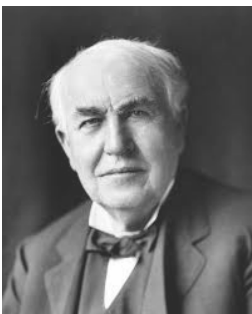
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## Carl Jung, Psychiatrist

Carl Jung was a famous psychologist. If you have not heard of Jung, you soon will in this class. Jung is best known for his theories of the Collective Unconscious, including the concept of archetypes. Dr. Jung had a keen ability in knowing and understanding one's own inner mental processes reflecting on thought, dreams, spiritual life, and motivations.

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## Thomas Edison, Inventor, Businessman

Thomas Edison developed many devices that greatly influenced life around the world, including the phonograph, the motion picture camera, and a working electric light bulb. Edison had the ability to think logically to solve problems and develop new ideas. His mathematical abilities as well as his gift to analyze and reason scientifically made him as one of the most important inventors in American history.

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## LeBron James, Basketball Player

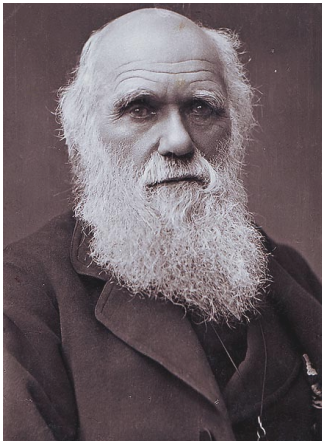
One of the greatest player in the game of basketball today. LeBron has the athletic skills that allow him to visualize his movements and then with great accuracy perform them. He can jump higher, move faster, pass and shoot with more accuracy than most in the NBA. He also has a strong work ethic that enables him to focus his time on training rather than more desirable activities.

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## Leonardo da Vinci, Renaissance Man

Leonardo da Vinci was a brilliant artist and genius during the age of the Italian Renaissance. Among the many intelligences possessed by Leonardo, his ability to form an abstract model of the three dimensional world and then solve problems using that model, allowed him to conceptualize flying machines, an armored vehicle, solar power and an arsenal of new weapons. These works can be seen in his now famous "sketchbook" and in the works like the *Last Supper* and the *Mona Lisa*.

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## Charles Darwin, Scientist

Charles Darwin is famous for developing a theory of evolution to explain biological change in humans and animals. His ability to identify and classify the components that make up our environment aided him in one of the most important theories in history.

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## You!

What is your intelligence? \_\_\_\_\_

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## KEY

### **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Composer, Musician - Musical Intelligence**

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### **Barak Obama, U.S. President- Verbal-Linguistic Intelligence**

Among the many intelligences possessed by President Barak Obama, his ability to write, tell stories and perform great speeches is among his best.

### **Ronald Reagan, U.S. President - Interpersonal Intelligence**

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### **Carl Jung, Psychiatrist - Intrapersonal Intelligence**

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### **Thomas Edison, Inventor, Businessman - Logical-Mathematical Intelligence**

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