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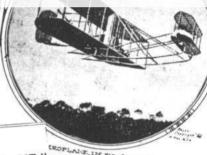
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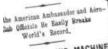






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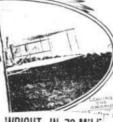
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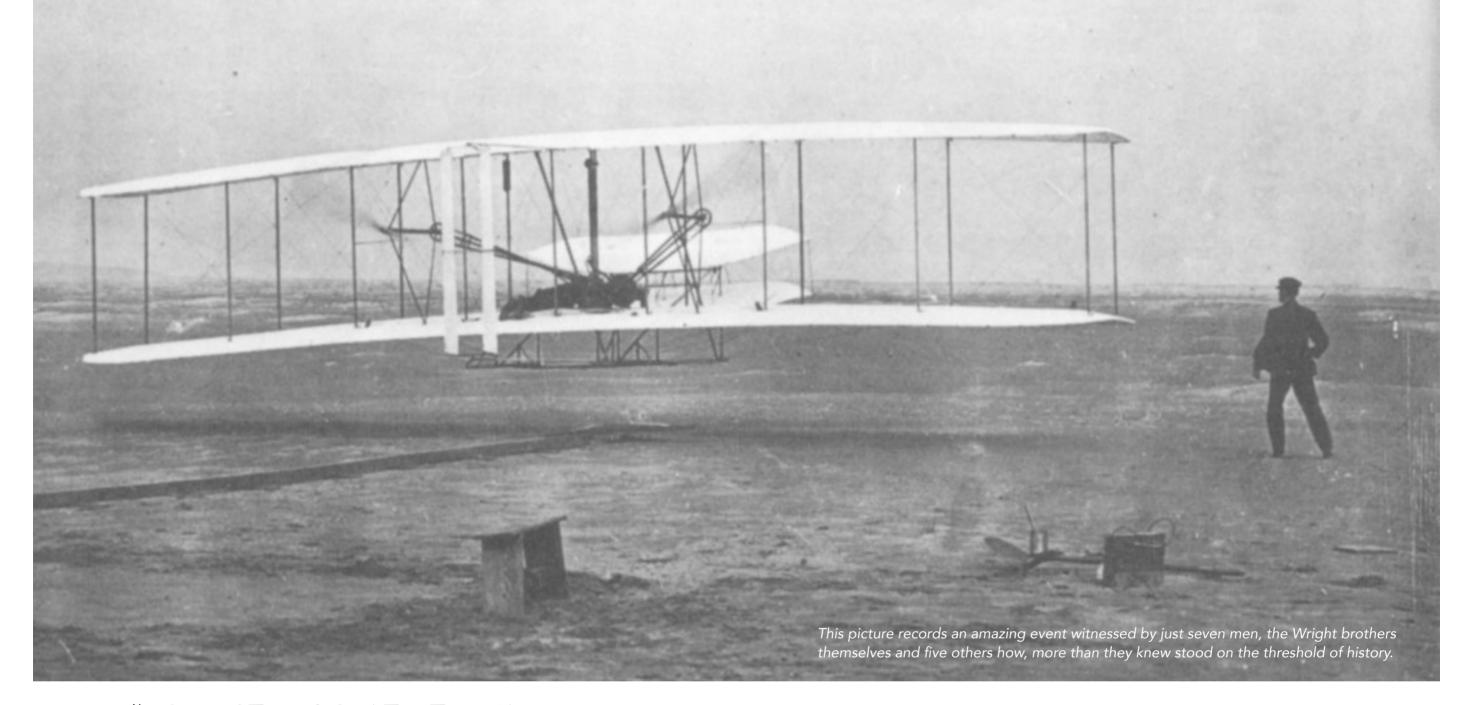
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"THE FIRST FLIGHT AT KITTY HAWK,
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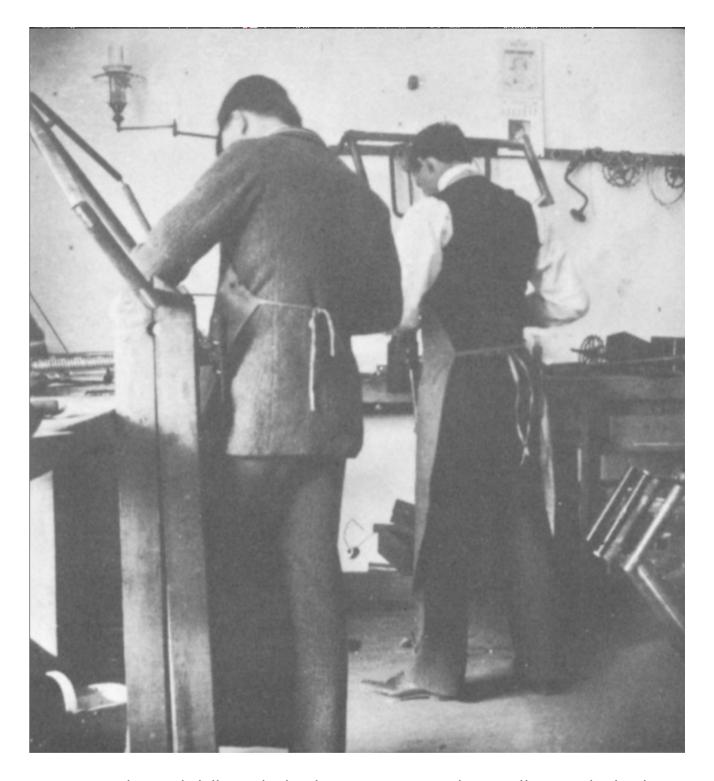
"On December 17, 1903, at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, the first power-driven heavier-than-air machine ever to achieve sustained flight rose from its starting track and in 12 seconds soared through the air for a distance of 120 feet.

"Short as this flight was, it nevertheless marked the beginning of man's conquest of the air. Orville Wright was at the controls; Wilbur Wright balanced the machine at the take-off." This event was not very long ago!

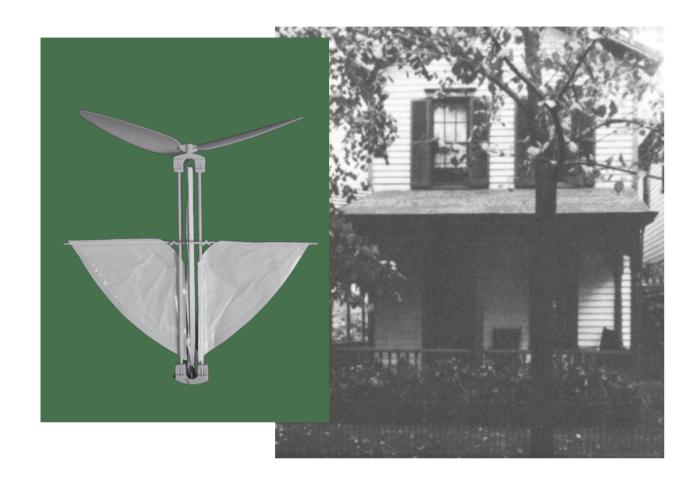


"AN IDEA IS BORN"

"The Age of Flight, with its miracle of service, began in an obscure little bicycle shop in Dayton, Ohio. Here two devoted brothers, Wilbur and Orville Wright, working amid tires, wheels and air pumps, dreamed that man could fly!

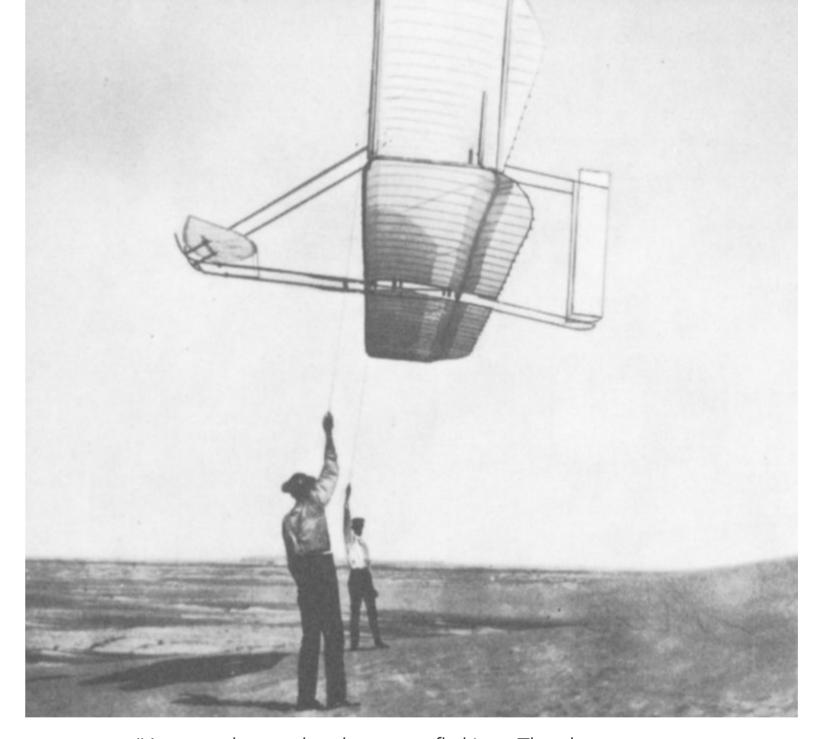


"From earliest childhood, the boys were mechanically minded. They had both the inclination and the aptitude for creative work. The pioneering urge and the gift of original thinking were theirs."



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"One day when the boys were small the Bishop came home from a short trip, bringing them a present. He held something in his hands and then tossed it toward them. It was a toy helicopter. Instead of flopping to the floor, it ascended to the ceiling where it fluttered before it fell." That toy helicopter planted the excitment for flight in them.



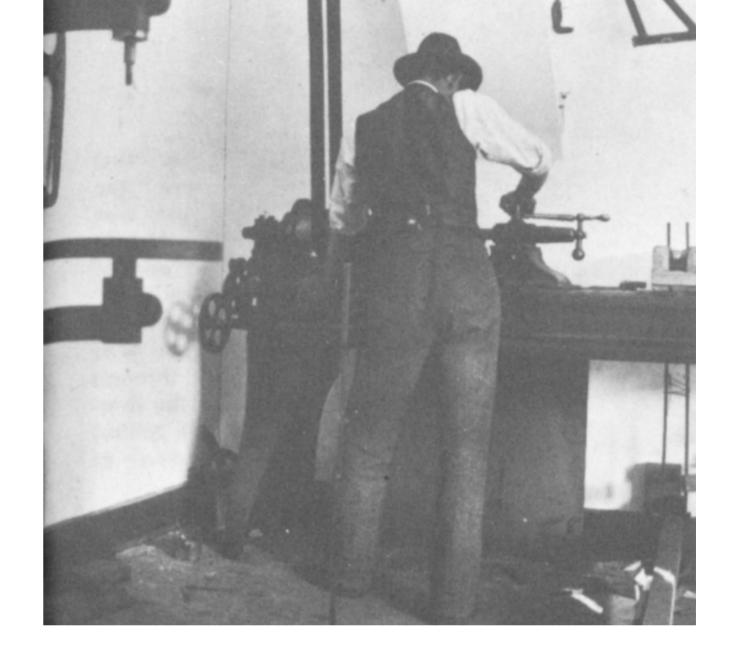
"At an early age they began to fly kites. They became interested successively in wood cuts, printing and photography. The urge for invention was strong in them.



"EARLY VENTURES"

At 14 Wilbur got a job folding the entire issue of an eightpage church paper. When he found the handwork tiring and tedious, he designed and built a simple machine that helped do the folding."

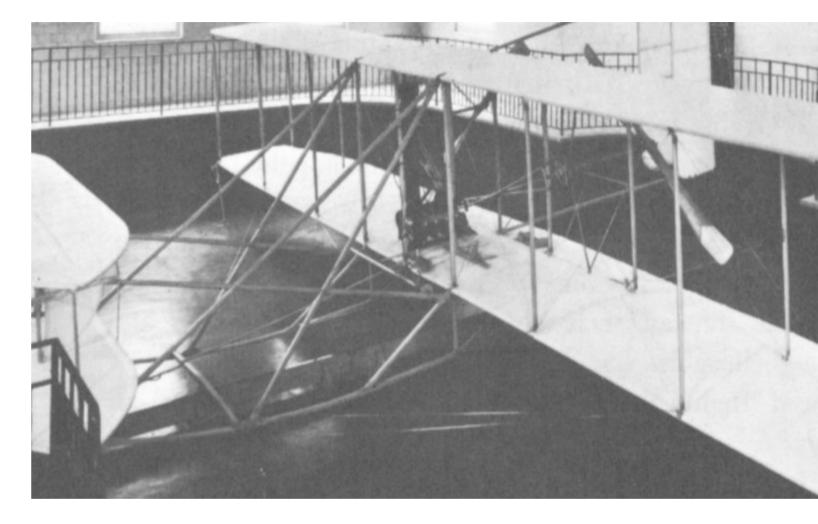
"Orville was no less enterprising. When he was 15, he entered into a partnership with Ed Sines, a neighbor boy, and launched the printing firm of Sines and Wright in a corner of the Sines kitchen. One of their first ventures was to print a little paper called "The Midget."



"Soon the boys became absorbed in bicycles. Orville became interested in track racing and participated in several events. In their enthusiasm the boys decided to go into the bicycle business. After embarking on bicycle selling they discovered they must have a repair shop. Business increased to such an extent that the Wrights soon began to manufacture bicycles. It was here in their bike shop that Wilbur and Orville not only dreamed of flying but practically built the first plane."

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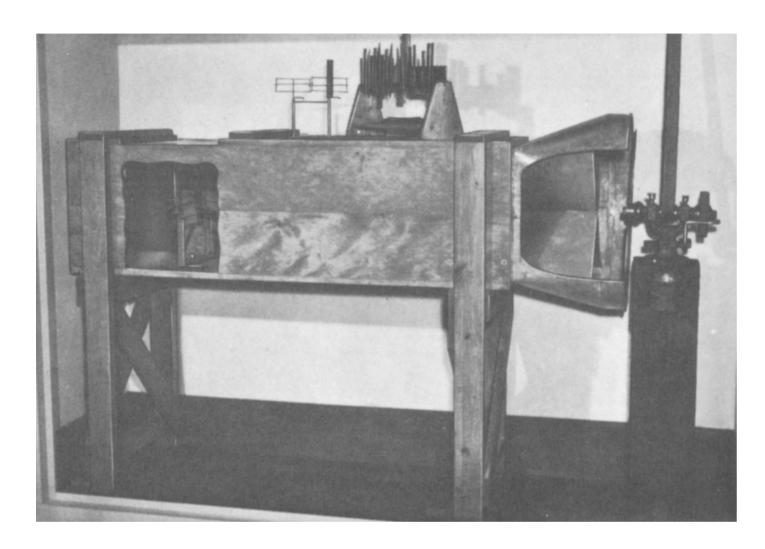




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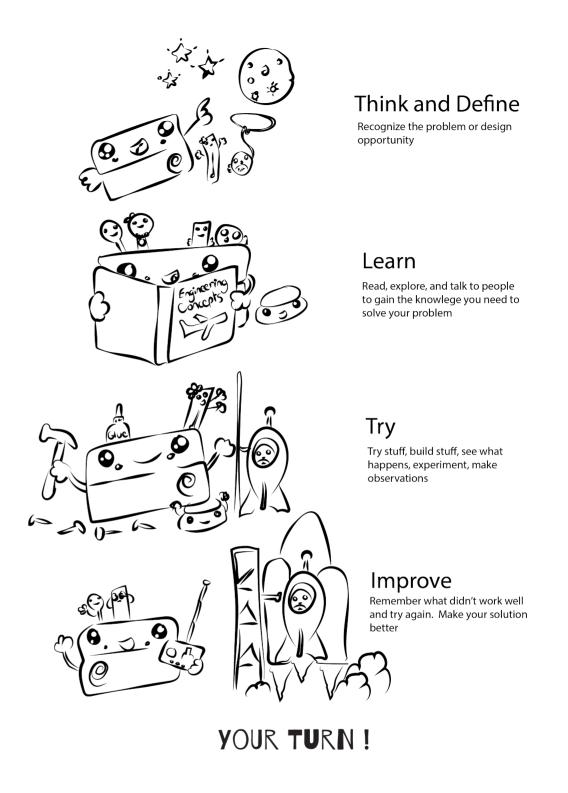
"The Wrights went thoroughly into the problem of gliders. Otto Lilenthal was a German who had been studying birds and built many successful gliders with curved wings. However, in 1896 he crashed and died when his glider encountered wind currents that it could not handel. This great pioneer inspired and helped the brothers understand what to do next.

The brothers discovered that neither he nor any other man who glided had an adequate method of insuring lateral balance. In seeking the solution to this problem, Orville worked out a theory for the operation to vary the inclination of sections of the wings, thereby obtaining force for restoring balance. This made it so the pilot could easily adjust the wings to the glider as needed.



BUILDING MODELS

The Wright brothers built many small models of their planes and tested them in a wind tunnel they built out of an old starch box to see how they would fly. Eventually they would go on to develop the first successful motor-oporated airplane.



Just like the wright brothers you are endlessly creative! Building and testing your own model gliders is fun and you can learn all about the engineering design process. There is still so much to learn about planes and how to improve them. Let's get started!

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