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### **Benjamin Franklin: his Autobiography, with a narrative of his public life and services by H. H. Weld**

Described as "a harmonious human multitude," Ben Franklin's life and careers were so varied and successful that he remains, even today, the epitome of the self-made man. Born into a humble tradesman's family, this adaptable genius rose to become an architect of the world's first democracy, a leading light in Enlightenment science, and a major creator of what has come to be known as the American character. Journalist, musician, politician, scientist, humorist, inventor, civic leader, printer, writer, publisher, businessman, founding father, philosopher—a genius in all fields and a bit of a magician in some. Volume 3 begins in the year 1748, when Franklin was known in Pennsylvania as clerk of the Pennsylvania Assembly and in the Middle Colonies as the printer and editor of Poor Richard's Almanac and the Pennsylvania Gazette, the best-known colonial publications. By the middle of 1757, where this volume leaves off, he had become famous in Pennsylvania as a public-spirited citizen and soldier in the conflicts of the Seven Years' War; well known throughout America as a writer, politician, and the most important theorist and patriot of the American empire; and renowned in the western world as a natural philosopher. This volume tells the story of that transformation.

### **The Life of Benjamin Franklin, Volume 1**

## **Benjamin Franklin in London**

### **The Most Dangerous Man in America: Scenes from the Life of Benjamin Franklin**

This is the first book to examine Franklin's Autobiography systematically in relation to the life history from which it was drawn. It also considers the Autobiography in terms of eighteenth-century conventions of autobiography and Enlightenment conceptions of the self. Seavey emphasizes the cultural and historical importance of Franklin as a writer. Unlike most historians' treatments of Franklin, this study sees Franklin's activity as author of his own life history as central to his importance, thus locating Franklin's life in the history of self-consciousness in the eighteenth century. Unlike conventional approaches to biography, Seavey's study sets apart the Autobiography and its provenance for special focus. However, like a biography, this is also a study of Franklin's personality as it developed from his birth in Boston to his death. His own self-understanding has posed a particular challenge to the students of his life. The great impediment to biographies of Franklin is that he took charge of the territory first. He was intensely aware of his own identity all his life, and this book takes a more comprehensive view of his writings as manifestation of a developing self.

## **Benjamin Franklin**

### **I Am Benjamin Franklin**

### **Benjamin Franklin, American Genius**

Presents the life of Benjamin Franklin, including how the climate of the time influenced his philosophies and works, his extremely active work life, and his role in the development of the United States.

### **Becoming Benjamin Franklin**

Benjamin Franklin: 48 Leadership and Life-Changing Lessons from Benjamin Franklin Benjamin Franklin is a one of the most influential people in the history of America. He was a renowned writer, entrepreneur, statesman, inventor, diplomat and philosopher. He is credited with some very important inventions. Many successful people all over the world credit him with providing insightful advice on how to lead a successful and fruitful life. His experience has taught many people the right

ways to lead an effective and successful life.

## **The Life of Benjamin Franklin, Volume 3**

Franklin's character, genius, and interests are highlighted in a study of his myriad activities and pursuits

## **Book of Ages**

A biography of the 18th-century printer, inventor, and statesman who played an influential role in the early history of the United States. Full-color illustrations.

## **The Life of Benjamin Franklin**

With more than 700 pithy proverbs, this work lays out the rules you should live by and offers advice on such subjects as money, friendship, marriage, ethics, and human nature.

## **Scenes from the Life of Benjamin Franklin**

The 21st book in the New York Times bestselling series of biographies about heroes tells the story of Benjamin Franklin, one of the Founding Fathers of the U.S. who helped draft the Declaration of Independence while making important scientific contributions. This friendly, fun biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great--the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. Each book tells the story of an icon in a lively, conversational way that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers and that always includes the hero's childhood influences. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos. This volume features Founding Father and scientist Benjamin Franklin.

## **The Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin**

Grades K to 3.

## **The Life of Benjamin Franklin**

This delightful book is a collection of incidental pieces that reveal little-known aspects of the life and personality of Benjamin Franklin. Written by the doyenne of Franklin scholars, it conveys Franklin's humor, resiliency, courage, and

intelligence, and his faith in a better future. The selections are based on Claude-Anne Lopez's research in the treasure trove of nearly thirty thousand documents on Franklin assembled at Yale University. They include a detailed refutation of an anti-Semitic forgery attributed to Franklin and currently circulating on the Internet; three mini-detective stories showing Franklin on the fringes of the espionage world; discussions of Franklin's efforts to outfit Washington's army and to choose the first dinner set for the Foreign Service; and the tale of the misadventures of a French utopian scheme he sponsored. The only piece of fiction in the book is an imaginary party during which, on the first anniversary of his death, six illustrious Frenchmen discuss Franklin's influence on their country. Lopez has provided brief personal introductions to each of the pieces, giving her reasons for writing them and in the process threading the essays together.

## **Memoirs of the Life and Writings of Benjamin Franklin**

Benjamin Franklin was born with independence and leadership. He took over a printing press and helped the colonies defeat the most powerful military force in Europe during the American Revolution. Benjamin helped America gain independence, he was one of the most important and versatile of America's Founding Fathers. His scientific discoveries added to his world fame, and we still use his brilliant inventions today like the bifocal and the lightning rod.

## **Young Benjamin Franklin**

A major new biography, illuminating the great mystery of Benjamin Franklin's faith. Renowned as a printer, scientist, and diplomat, Benjamin Franklin also published more works on religious topics than any other eighteenth-century American layperson. Born to Boston Puritans, by his teenage years Franklin had abandoned the exclusive Christian faith of his family and embraced deism. But Franklin, as a man of faith, was far more complex than the "thorough deist" who emerges in his autobiography. As Thomas Kidd reveals, deist writers influenced Franklin's beliefs, to be sure, but devout Christians in his life—including George Whitefield, the era's greatest evangelical preacher; his parents; and his beloved sister Jane—kept him tethered to the Calvinist creed of his Puritan upbringing. Based on rigorous research into Franklin's voluminous correspondence, essays, and almanacs, this fresh assessment of a well-known figure unpacks the contradictions and conundrums faith presented in Franklin's life.

## **Inventing America**

Presents a portrait of Benjamin Franklin as a scientist, inventor, diplomat, writer, business strategist, and statesman while tracing his life as one of America's Founding Fathers.

## **Benjamin Franklin**

Tells the rich story of one of America's most celebrated Founding Fathers. Features his original writings and hands-on activities from his era, a time line, glossary, Web and travel resources, and reading list for further study.

## **Benjamin Franklin**

### **The Life of Benjamin Franklin**

In this new account of Franklin's early life, Pulitzer finalist Nick Bunker portrays him as a complex, driven young man who elbows his way to success. From his early career as a printer and journalist to his scientific work and his role as a founder of a new republic, Benjamin Franklin has always seemed the inevitable embodiment of American ingenuity. But in his youth he had to make his way through a harsh colonial world, where he fought many battles with his rivals, but also with his wayward emotions. Taking Franklin to the age of forty-one, when he made his first electrical discoveries, Bunker goes behind the legend to reveal the sources of his passion for knowledge. Always trying to balance virtue against ambition, Franklin emerges as a brilliant but flawed human being, made from the conflicts of an age of slavery as well as reason. With archival material from both sides of the Atlantic, we see Franklin in Boston, London, and Philadelphia as he develops his formula for greatness. A tale of science, politics, war, and religion, this is also a story about Franklin's forebears: the talented family of English craftsmen who produced America's favorite genius.

### **The Life of Benjamin Franklin, Volume 2**

### **The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin**

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## **A Picture Book of Benjamin Franklin**

### **Benjamin Franklin**

Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 17, 1706. He was the youngest son in a family of seventeen children. Benjamin loved books and reading, and he wrote poetry as a young boy. When he was twelve, he began working in his older brother's print shop. In 1728, Benjamin set up his own print shop in Philadelphia and published a newspaper called The Pennsylvania Gazette. Once a year, he also printed Poor Richard's Almanack. Benjamin was a writer, scientist, inventor, and statesman. He invented the Franklin stove and the lightning rod. He helped to write the Declaration of Independence. He spent many years in England and France, working on behalf of the United States government. He is considered one of our greatest Americans.

### **The Life of Benjamin Franklin**

Pulitzer Prize Finalist Benjamin Franklin, perhaps the pivotal figure in colonial and revolutionary America, comes vividly to life in this masterly biography. Wit, diplomat, scientist, philosopher, businessman, inventor, and bon vivant, Benjamin Franklin was in every respect America's first Renaissance man. From penniless runaway to highly successful printer, from ardently loyal subject of Britain to architect of an alliance with France that ensured America's independence, Franklin went from obscurity to become one of the world's most admired figures, whose circle included the likes of Voltaire, Hume, Burke, and Kant. Drawing on previously unpublished letters and a host of other sources, acclaimed historian H. W. Brands has written a thoroughly engaging biography of the eighteenth-century genius. A much needed reminder of Franklin's greatness and humanity, *The First American* is a work of meticulous scholarship that provides a magnificent tour of a legendary historical figure, a vital era in American life, and the countless arenas in which the protean Franklin left his legacy.

### **Electric Ben**

### **The First American**

### **The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin**

## **My Life with Benjamin Franklin**

### **The Life of Benjamin Franklin: Illustrated by Tales, Sketches and Anecdotes**

Using the same "Museum in a Book" format as the popular "Lewis and Clark on the Trail of Discovery," this biography brings Benjamin Franklin to life through words and such removable documents as portions of "Poor Richard's Almanack" and Franklin's edits to the Declaration of Independence.

### **The Unfinished Life of Benjamin Franklin**

A portrait of Benjamin Franklin's youngest sister, Jane, reveals how she was, like her brother, a passionate reader, gifted writer, and shrewd political commentator who made insightful observations about early America.

### **Benjamin Franklin: 48 Leadership and Life-Changing Lessons from Benjamin Franklin**

Benjamin Franklin was born in Boston, New England, on the seventeenth of January, 1706. He was the youngest son in a family of seventeen children. His elder brothers were, at an early age, put apprentices to different trades; for their father was a man of honest industry, but with little or no property, and unable to support the expense of keeping them long at school. Benjamin, however, was intended for the church, and at eight years of age was put to a grammar school. His readiness in learning, and his attention to study, confirmed the first intention of his parents. The plan also met with the approbation of his uncle Benjamin, who promised to give him some volumes of sermons that he had taken down in short hand, from the lips of the most eminent preachers of the day. He continued at the grammar school, however, only about a year, though he had risen to the head of his class, and promised to be a very fine scholar. His father was burthened with a numerous family, and could not carry him through a course of college education. He accordingly changed his first purpose, and sent Benjamin to a school for writing and arithmetic, kept by Mr. George Brownwell. This master was quite skilful in his profession, being mild and kind to his scholars, but very successful in teaching them. Benjamin learned to write a good hand in a short time, but he could not manage arithmetic so easily. At ten years of age he was taken from school to help his father in the business of a tallow-chandler; and was employed in cutting the wick for the candles, going errands, and tending the shop.

## **All about Benjamin Franklin**

In this fascinating book, New Yorker business columnist James Surowiecki explores a deceptively simple idea: Large groups of people are smarter than an elite few, no matter how brilliant—better at solving problems, fostering innovation, coming to wise decisions, even predicting the future. With boundless erudition and in delightfully clear prose, Surowiecki ranges across fields as diverse as popular culture, psychology, ant biology, behavioral economics, artificial intelligence, military history, and politics to show how this simple idea offers important lessons for how we live our lives, select our leaders, run our companies, and think about our world.

## **The Way to Wealth**

An account of Franklin's British years.

## **The Life**

Anderson's carefully considered work makes a persuasive case for revisiting this celebrated book with a keener appreciation for the subtlety and beauty of Franklin's performance.

## **Memoirs of the Life and Writings of Benjamin Franklin**

Founding Father Benjamin Franklin came from humble beginnings to take his place in the annals of history as one of the most celebrated Americans ever to stand on the world stage. The Boston apprentice who ran away because of his brother's ill-treatment found his destiny in Philadelphia, where he became a printer, a scientist, an author, an inventor, a politician, and a citizen of the world. Inside you will read about ✓ Born in Boston ✓ From Philadelphia to London ✓ Benjamin Franklin, the Citizen ✓ Benjamin Franklin, the Inventor ✓ Franklin and Colonial Politics ✓ Franklin the American ✓ Franklin: The Conscience of America His inventions and his philosophies had the same ultimate goal—to make the world a better place—and Franklin achieved that goal. Europeans saw him as a symbol of what America represented; Franklin saw himself as the result of what America produced. Pragmatism ruled his life, and yet he believed passionately that it was the role of the government and the church to improve the world for all. He has been called the first American, but every American who followed owes something to this remarkable man who designed his own destiny.

## **The Life of Benjamin Franklin**

## **The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin**

Read about the fascinating life of Benjamin Franklin in this beautifully illustrated version of his autobiography.

## **Poor Richard's Almanack**

From the most respected chronicler of the early days of the Republic—and winner of both the Pulitzer and Bancroft prizes—comes a landmark work that rescues Benjamin Franklin from a mythology that has blinded generations of Americans to the man he really was and makes sense of aspects of his life and career that would have otherwise remained mysterious. In place of the genial polymath, self-improver, and quintessential American, Gordon S. Wood reveals a figure much more ambiguous and complex—and much more interesting. Charting the passage of Franklin's life and reputation from relative popular indifference (his death, while the occasion for mass mourning in France, was widely ignored in America) to posthumous glory, *The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin* sheds invaluable light on the emergence of our country's idea of itself.

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