

Thomas

Jefferson

Introducing.....



He totally would have had an iPad. Jefferson loved science, technology and innovation. One of his favorite devices was a rotating bookstand that could hold five books at once. Kind of like having five windows open on your computer.

He loved books. And we really mean he LOVED books. How many books do you have in your house? More than 20? More than 50? More than 100? In 1814, the original Library of Congress was attacked by British troops and all the books were burned. Jefferson offered his personal library as a replacement. In 1815, the Library of Congress was restocked – with Jefferson’s 6,487 books.

He loved to write letters. We’re not talking e-mails, tweets or text messages here. Jefferson wrote about 19,000 letters during his lifetime. He also used a machine called a polygraph that made copies as he wrote.

Books, Technology or Writing....

1. Which part of Jefferson do you admire the most? Explain why.
2. If you could focus on ONE interest in your life now, which would it be? Explain what you would do to make this interest grow.
3. What do you think of Jefferson as a leader? Explain your opinion.