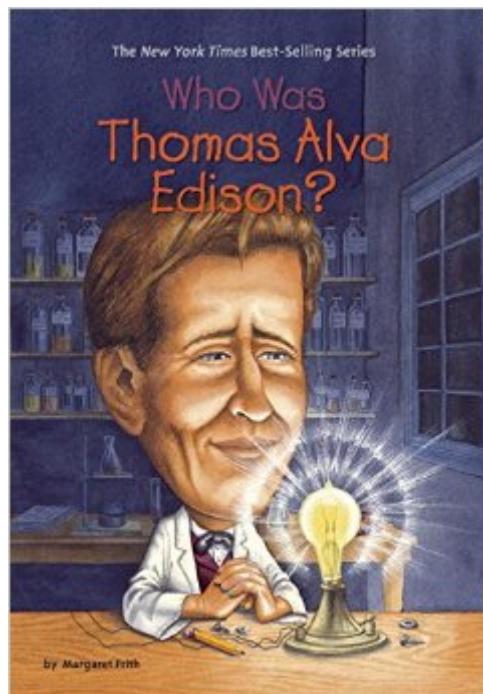


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# Who Was Thomas Alva Edison?



## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

Margaret Frith is the author of numerous children's books, including several titles in the Who Was? series, such as Who Was Thomas Alva Edison?, Who Was Louis Braille?, Who Was Franklin Roosevelt? and Who Was Woodrow Wilson? She lives in New York City. John O'Brien has held writing fellowships at the University of Iowa and Stanford University, and he was the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship. His work has appeared in The Hudson Review, The Massachusetts Review, The TriQuarterly, The Country Journal, The Harrowsmith, and The Gray Sporting Journal. He lives with his wife, Becky, in Franklin, West Virginia. Nancy Harrison is an illustrator known for the Who Is? series and for graphic illustrations for Fortune 500 Companies.

Nancy received her masterâ ™s degree from Syracuse University.

I bought these for my third grade classroom. They are great for the biography genre and then to use for report writing. The three years I've used them so far the kids LOVED them. Easy for their reading levels, informative, and people they have heard of in their lives. They would read their own and then read other that they had heard of. Could have left these books out 1/2 year and they would have still been reading them.

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