

## Albert Einstein – A life story

Start here .....	He was born in Ulm, .....
..... Germany in 1879.	In 1885 he went to primary school in Munich and in 1888 he .....
..... started secondary school.	He was not always good at school. His teachers said .....
..... that he was a dreamer.	His family moved to .....
..... Italy and then he went to Switzerland.	He finished school in Switzerland when he was .....
..... seventeen years old.	After secondary school he did a teacher-training .....
..... course in physics and mathematics in Zurich.	He finished his teacher training when .....
..... he was 21. In 1901 he started to teach at a private school.	In 1903 he got married and one year later his first .....
..... son was born. 1905 was an important year in his life.	He wrote his special theory of relativity and soon he was .....
..... a famous man.	In 1921 he got the Nobel Prize for Physics.

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### **Teacher's notes**

#### *Preparation:*

Copy one worksheet for every 2-3 students in your class and cut on the cutting lines so that you have 10 horizontal strips of text per small group. (Note: Do **not** cut the horizontal strips in two by cutting along the middle vertical line!) Put each set of 10 strips in separate bags or envelopes. Do not include the title of the story.

#### *In class:*

Put your students in small groups of 2-3. Explain that they will be putting together a text about a very famous dead person. They should find the strip that reads "start here" and then keep building on to the story with the appropriate strips of text. Remind them that looking at dates and ages as well as logical thinking will help them to put the text in the right order.

When they are finished ask them the name of this famous man. As a follow-up activity, you can gather all the past tense verbs in the text at the board and see if your students know the infinitive forms.