

Worksheet 2

Adapted from: <http://www.biography.com/people/blaise-pascal-9434176#early-life>

BLAISE PASCAL

READING COMPREHENSION – TICK THE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE

1. Blaise Pascal was an English religious philosopher.
2. In 1760 he published some theological works.
3. Pascal was born in Clermont-Ferrand and died in 1662.
4. His father was a mathematician.
5. At the beginning of his education, Blaise was focused on studying Hebrew and English.
6. When Blaise was 16 he presented his "mystical hexagon."
7. He became very religious due to his mother's illness.
8. When he was still a teenager he invented an early calculator.
9. At the end of the 1640s Pascal validated Torricelli's theory concerning the cause of barometrical variations.
10. Pascal struggled with sleeplessness.
11. He died at the age of 38.
12. In the 1970s, a computer language was named after Blaise Pascal.