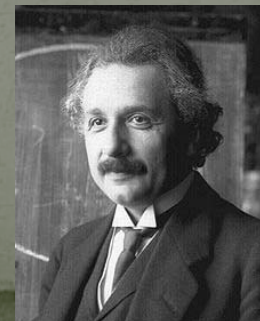
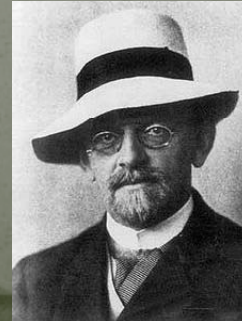


The Web and the History of Science

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Overview

- Introductions!
- Why is the history of science important?
- How to blog about the history of science:
Inspiration?
Resources?
Maintaining accuracy?
OpenAccess?

Introductions!



Why is the history of science important?

- Good way to show how science actually works
- Good way to show how science actually doesn't work
- Fun way to show the 'humanity' of scientists
- Great way to develop your research/writing skills

How to blog about the history of science

- Inspiration, or: finding a topic
- Resources
- Maintaining accuracy
- Translating

Resources (skullsinthestars)

- Gallica: electronic resources of National Library of France (BnF) (<http://gallica.bnf.fr/>, <http://gallica2.bnf.fr/?lang=en>)
complete works of Arago, Fresnel
- Center for Retrospective Digitization, Göttingen (GDZ) (<http://gdz.sub.uni-goettingen.de/index.php?id=2&L=1>)
Nachrichten von der Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen, Mathematisch-Physikalische Klasse
- JSTOR (<http://www.jstor.org/>)
Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of London

Translations on the cheap

- OCR built into Microsoft Office! (Microsoft Office Document Imaging)
C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\MODI\12.0\mspview.exe
- MS Word has spell-check for multiple languages built in!
- Hot keys for 'crazy' accents easy to set up
- Babelfish + word translators easy to use