

David Unaipon Knowledge and Invention

Name / chosen name: _____

David Unaipon · 1872–1967
Knowledge, invention and writing

David Unaipon was a Ngarrindjeri man from South Australia. He explored scientific ideas, wrote and spoke publicly. In 1909 he patented an improved hand tool for sheep shearing. He also worked for better conditions for Aboriginal people. His life shows connections between invention, literature and public discussion. This short card describes one person's contributions; it does not speak for every Ngarrindjeri person or all First Nations peoples.

1. What is one achievement described in the text?

2. Which detail supports your answer?

3. How does this contribution connect to a wider community or field?

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