

## Alexander Graham Bell 1847-1922

Was interested in sound
Since his mother and sister became deaf.
Reconstructed **Cempelen's** talking machine
Studied Helmholtz' music papers
and sent his work to **Alexander Allis**,
the professor embodied in Pygmalion.
Involved in deaf education – **Helen Keller** 

Met the head of the Smithsonian Institute, Henry who adviced him to study electricity towards the design of the "speaking Telegraph".

1876 - Patents.

1877 - Founded Bell telephone company.

150,000 telephone owners 10 years later.

1892 – New York-Chicago telephone line.



Bell telephone labs – founded to develop communication technology turned into a high level scientific research center, contributing in mathematics (information theory), electronics (transistors), and astronomy (background radiation, big bang)

