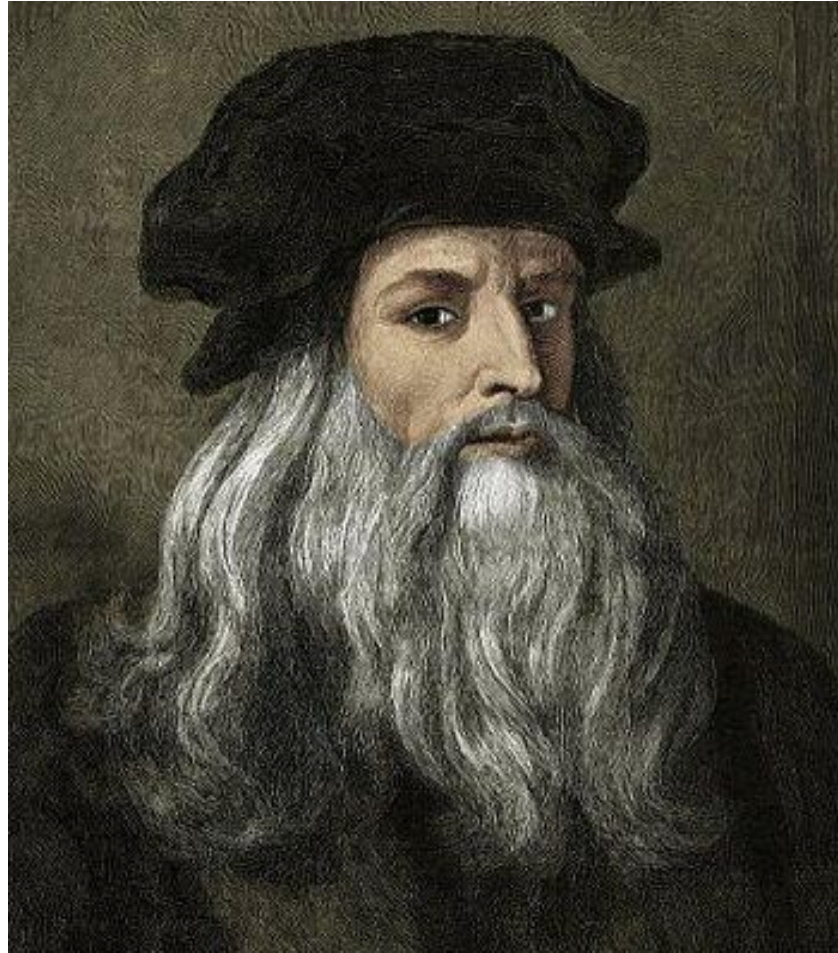


# LEONARDO DA VINCI



# Timeline

- Early life
- Young Leonardo and mid-life
- Later years
- Hardships faced in Life
- Achievements in Life

# Early Life

- Leonardo da Vinci was born on April 15, 1452 in the small town of Vinci, in Tuscany, near Florence, Italy. He was the son of a wealthy lawyer Ser Piero da Vinci and a peasant woman named Caterina. His parents were never married to one another.
- In about 1466 he was accepted as a student to Andrea del Verrocchio, the leading Florence painter and sculptor of that time.

# Young Leonardo and mid-life

- In 1482 he moved to Milan to work for the duke, Ludovico Sforza and lived there for 17 years. In Milan Leonardo designed many buildings. He also studied mathematics. His drawing of the Anatomy of a man showed him to be a great biologist. It was during this time that da Vinci painted "***The Last Supper***".

# Last Supper



- In 1502 Leonardo served Cesare Borgia as a chief military architect and engineer, he travelled throughout Italy with his patron. Da Vinci created maps, which were extremely rare for that time.

# Later years

- Around 1503 Leonardo returned to Florence and started painting the "Mona Lisa". He always carried this painting with him when he travelled; da Vinci kept it with him until the end of his life.
- From 1513 to 1516 Leonardo Da Vinci spent much time living in Vatican, Rome. In 1516 he started serving King Francis the I of France. He got a house [Clos Lucé](#) near the king's residence in France. Here he spent his last years and died in 1919. [Clos Lucé](#) is the museum of Leonardo Da Vinci nowadays.



# Museum of Leonardo Da Vinci in France





# Achievements in Life

- Leonardo Da Vinci was an amazing man. He was an artist, architect, mathematician and scientist. He also was a military engineer and a good musician.
- Today he is best known for his art, including two paintings that remain among the world's most famous and admired, the "**Mona Lisa**" and "**The Last Supper**". Today, the "Mona Lisa" hangs in the Louvre Museum in Paris, France, secured behind bulletproof glass, and is regarded as a priceless national treasure.

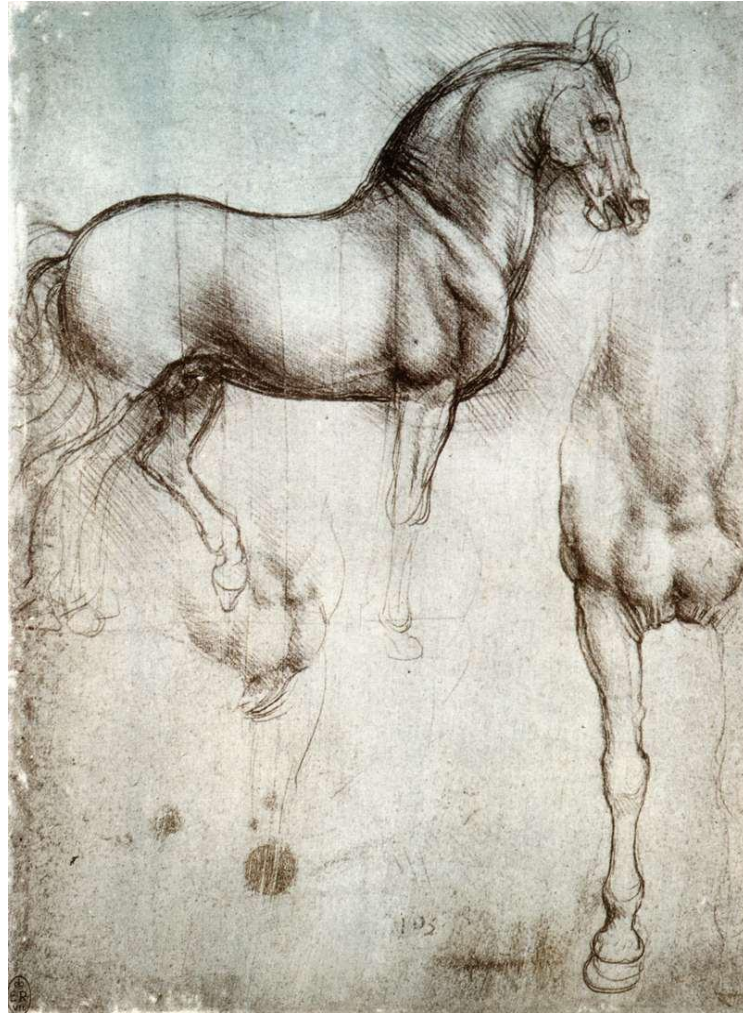
# Mona Lisa



# Obstacles/hardships faced in Life

- When Leonardo moved to Florence the black death hit the town, it killed half of the town's population, but Leonardo was lucky to survive. At Leonardo's times there were many wars like the Italian wars (1494-1559) or the wars of the Roses (1455-1485). During these wars many of Leonardo's works got lost or ruined, e.g. the biggest statue of a horse on which he worked many years.

# Study of horse

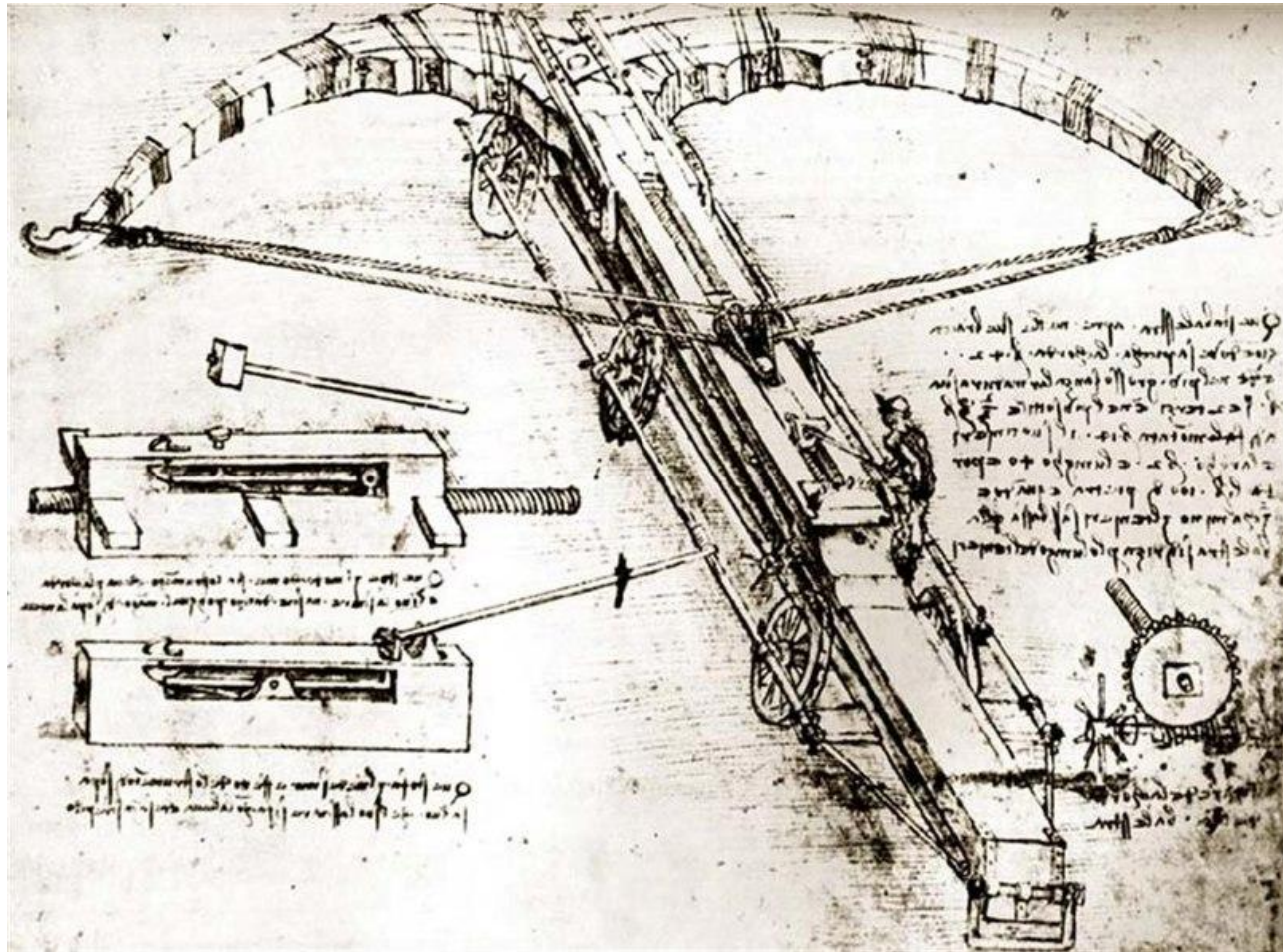


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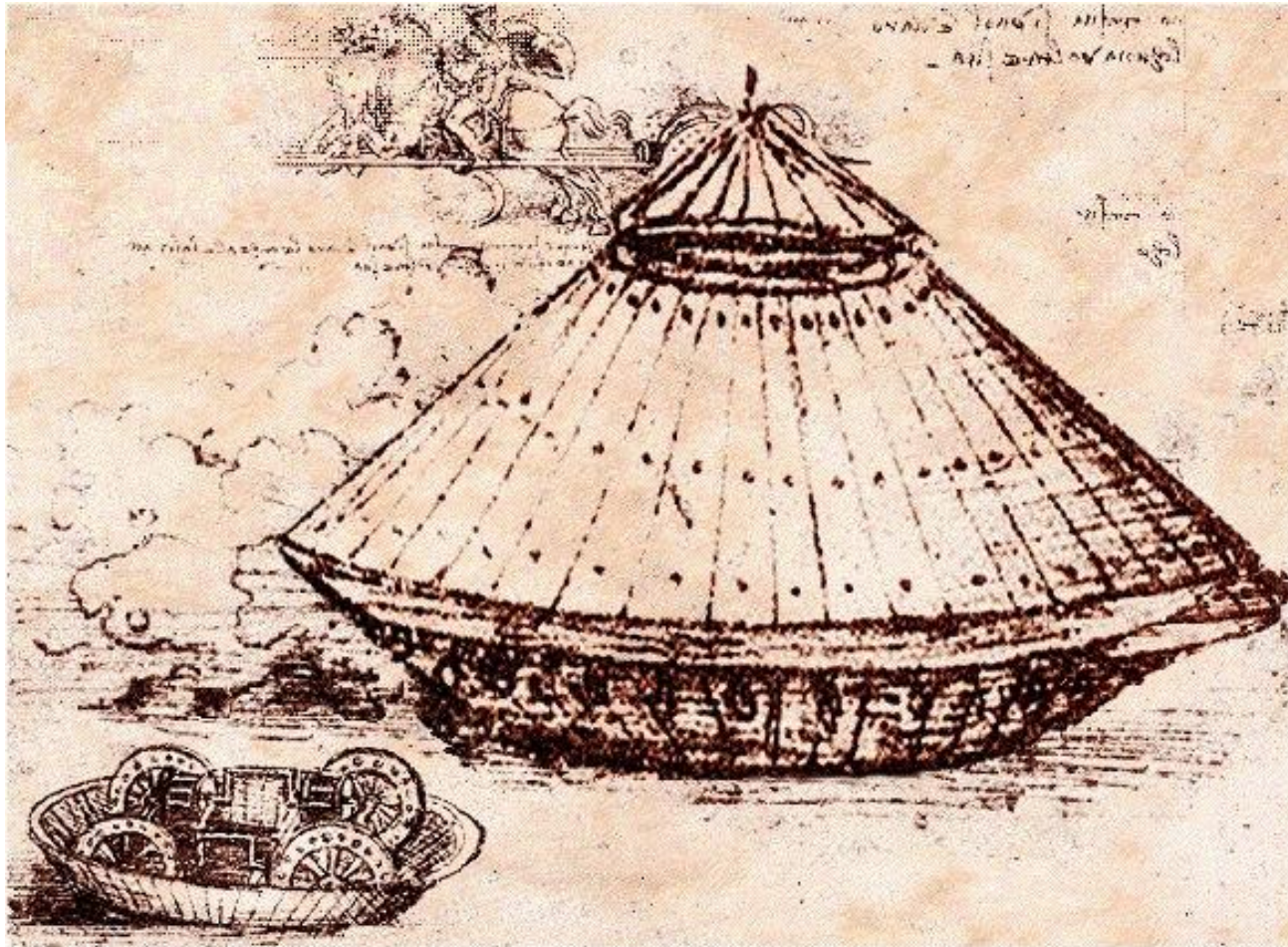
- Leonardo Da Vinci wrote from right to left – you needed a mirror to read his handwriting.
- He invented scissors.
- He made models and in his notebooks there were plans for a tank, helicopter, submarine, airplane, diving suit, machine gun, plastic glass, air cooling system, printing press and even a robot.



# The sketch of a crossbow by Da Vinci



# Leonardo's idea of a tank





# Why I chose to read about this person

I chose to read about Leonardo Da Vinci because he's an outstanding man and definitely a genius. His inventions and scientific observations were hundred years before his time. He was talented and gifted but moreover, he was extremely hard working.

This is believed to be Leonardo's self  
portrait

