HE winners of the Nobel Prizes this year were announced last month. The people who got them were very happy, but a few of the winners surprised everyone. What are the Nobel Prizes and how did they come about?

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Do you want to win a Nobel Prize?

You bet!

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Hi! The Nobel Prizes are without a doubt the most famous awards for people who do great things. In 1921, Alfred Einstein won the Nobel Prize in Physics, but the funny thing was that it was not for his famous work, the theory of relativity,

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because his idea was unproven at that time. This year's winners have all done great things; I am especially pleased that Kazuo Ishiguro has won the Nobel Prize in Literature as he was a creative writing graduate from UEA – the same university I studied at in England! Read more about the Nobel Prizes on P02.



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What is a Nobel Prize?

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THE Nobel Prize is a very important annual prize that different scientists and **activists** can get because of their **outstanding** work. Originally, there were just five categories: Physics, Medicine, Chemistry, Literature and Peace. Later, a prize for Economics was added. Winners get a medal, a diploma, and money.



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Malala Yousafzai won the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize.

2017 laureates

Nobel Prize winners are called 'Nobel **laureates**'. This year's laureates are as follows:

Medicine – Jeffrey C Hall, Michael Rosbash and Michael W Young

Physics – Rainer Weiss, Barry C Barish and Kip S Thorne

Chemistry – Jacques Dubochet, Joachim Frank and Richard Henderson

Literature – Kazuo Ishiguro

Peace – International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons

Economics - Richard Thaler



History of the Prize

BACK in the 19th century, a man



named Alfred Nobel made a lot of money by inventing and selling **dynamite**, which was used in construction, but also as a way to kill many people. People began calling Nobel 'The **Merchant** of Death'. Unhappy with the nickname, Nobel left his money to a **foundation**, named after himself, to give out prizes to people whose work was "for the greatest benefit to mankind".

I hope you two can one day win a Nobel Prize.



Who is the first woman to win a Nobel prize?

Answers on P12

A. Marie CurieB. Rosalind FranklinC. Tu Youyou



Vocabulary

activist (n) 積極分子 outstanding (adj) 傑出的 laureate (n) 獲獎者 dynamite (n) 黃色炸藥 merchant (n) 商人 foundation (n) 基金會

