

8.5 Video

The Wright siblings

1 Look at the photos. Answer the questions.

- 1 How many Wright siblings were there?
- 2 Why were they famous?
- 3 Which of these things can you see in the photos?

an engine a flight a glider a propeller

2 Watch the video about the Wright siblings. Put the correct initials next to each fact 1–8: WO (Wilbur and Orville), K (Katharine) or WOK (all three).

- 1 opened a bicycle shop
- 2 had a dream to fly
- 3 studied at Oberlin College
- 4 travelled across the USA and Europe
- 5 was/were good at business
- 6 created the Wright Flyer III
- 7 moved to Kansas
- 8 was/were famous all over the world

3a Complete the summary using the words in the box.

company engine Flyer III glider invented Orville
tested Wilbur

The Wright siblings, Orville, Wilbur and Katharine lived in Dayton, Ohio. The brothers started a printing business there. Later, they opened a bicycle shop and they even ¹ _____ their own bicycle.

In 1899, they started to make a(n) ² _____. A year later, they moved to Kitty Hawk in North Carolina. There, they ³ _____ different flying machines. In 1903, they were successful with the Wright Flyer I, an aeroplane with a(n) ⁴ _____ and a propeller.

Orville and Wilbur's sister, Katharine, helped the brothers to build the Wright ⁵ _____. The brothers created their famous plane, the Wright ⁶ _____ and they were famous all over the world.

⁷ _____ died in 1912, but ⁸ _____ continued to work with planes. Katharine married a journalist and moved to Kansas.

b Watch the video again and check your answers.

4a **TASK** Work with a partner. Student A, write three true facts about the Wright brothers and one fact that is false. Student B, do the same for Katharine.

b Listen to your partner's facts. Say which fact is false.

