

1.1. Marie and Pierre Curie (1894–1906) Maria Skłodowska was born in Warsaw in 1867. Name some famous duos, or pairs, who have left their mark in history (for example, a husband and wife team or a pair of siblings). Now known by the French name Marie, she worked hard in a laboratory that was owned by Pierre Curie. Do you think their close relationship made it easier for them to achieve certain goals? Tell the most legendary story you know of a famous pair. Read the texts about some famous family members from history. She was the daughter of a secondary-school teacher. She studied in local schools and received some training in science from her father. Because women were not allowed to attend university in Poland in the 19th century, Maria left Poland to study at a French university in 1891.2.2.