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Caroline Herschel



Caroline Herschel was born on March 16th, 1750 in Hanover, Germany. She was the eighth child of the family and had a basic education through tutoring. She caught typhus at the age of 10 and suffered vision loss in her left eye and stunted growth. She moved to Bath, England at 16 with her brother William. Her brother grew an interest in astronomy and Caroline soon did too.

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government position. Her "Catalogue of Stars" took 20 months to make and was published by the Royal Society in 1798. The Royal Society published Caroline's catalogue under William's name in 1802.

She made many discoveries independently of her brother and continued to work after he died in 1822 and continued to work on her catalogue. She was presented with a gold medal in 1828 by the Royal Astronomical Society. In 1835 she was elected an Honorary Member of The Royal Astronomical Society. In 1846 she was awarded another gold medal for her work in science. Due to her body's limitations from age she spent her last years writing memoirs and was unable to continue working in astronomy. Herschel died in Hanover, Germany on January 9th, 1848 at the age of 97. Her tombstone reads "The eyes of her who is glorified here below turned to the starry heavens."



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Caroline Herschel

1. She was born on _____
in _____.

2. Name what she is famous for



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3. She was the first _____

4. She died on _____

