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Introduction

Long ago, streets were very busy — and very confusing.

There were no traffic lights like the ones we see today. Cars, horses, and wagons all moved at the same time. People did not always know when to stop or go. Because of this, accidents happened often.

A man named Garrett Morgan wanted to help fix this problem.

Garrett Morgan was born in 1877 in Kentucky. When he was young, he did not get to go to school for very long. But he loved to learn, so he taught himself by reading and trying new things.

When he grew up, he moved to Cleveland. There, he started his own business and worked as an inventor. He liked to solve problems and make things that could help people.

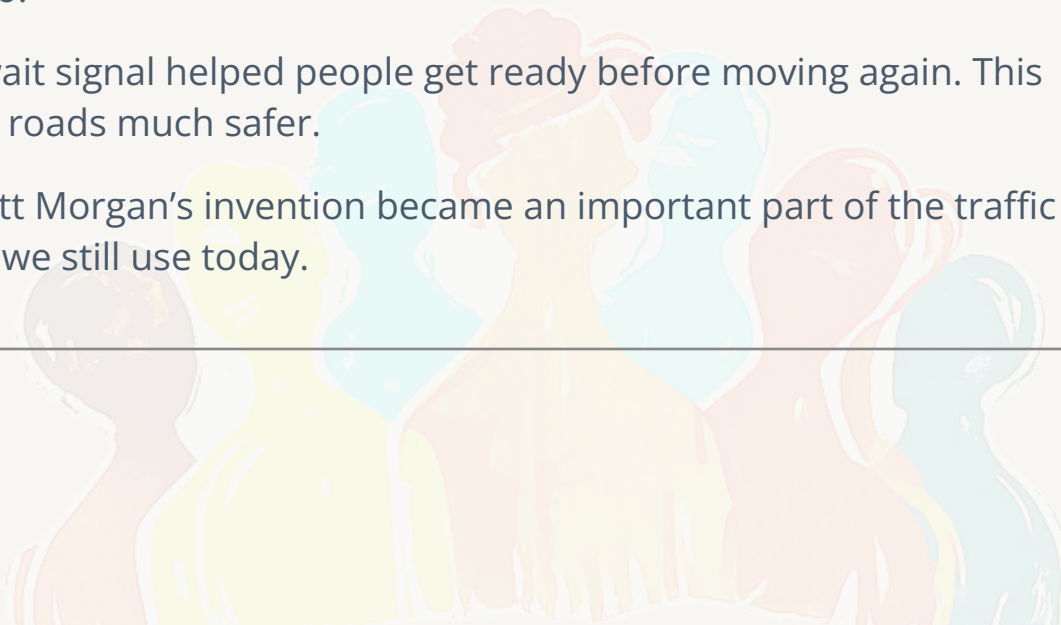
One day, Garrett saw a bad traffic accident. Cars and wagons crashed because there was no clear signal to tell them what to do. That gave him an idea.

At the time, traffic signals only had two positions: stop and go. Garrett knew that wasn't enough. People needed time to slow down.

Garrett invented a new kind of traffic signal with three steps: stop, wait, and go.

The wait signal helped people get ready before moving again. This made roads much safer.

Garrett Morgan's invention became an important part of the traffic lights we still use today.



The Better Way to Go: The Story of Garrett Morgan

The roads were loud and busy —
The most confusing you've ever seen!
Before the signals we see today —
Before red, yellow, and green.



YOU'VE GOT A
**SNEAK
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YOU'VE GOT
TO SEE
HOW IT ENDS...

The graphic features two spotlights at the top, one yellow and one purple, shining on the text. The background shows faint silhouettes of people's heads in various colors (yellow, orange, blue, green). The text is surrounded by stars and radiating lines, giving it a celebratory feel.