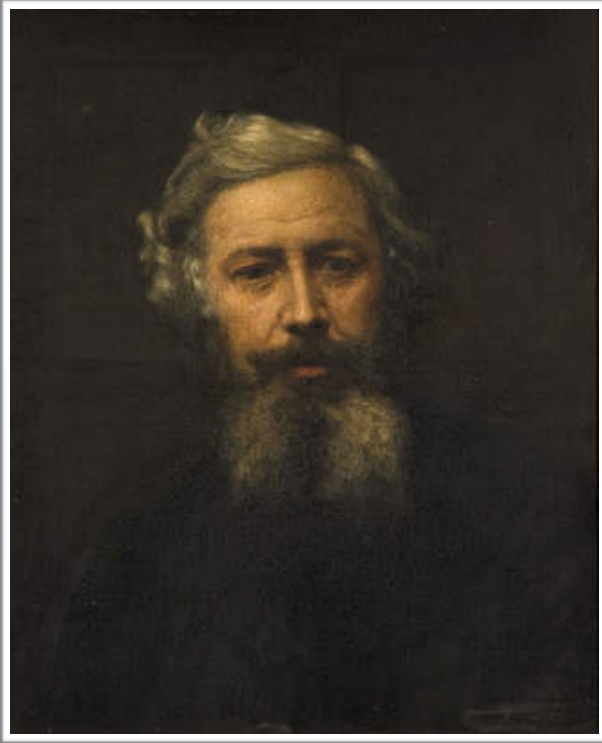


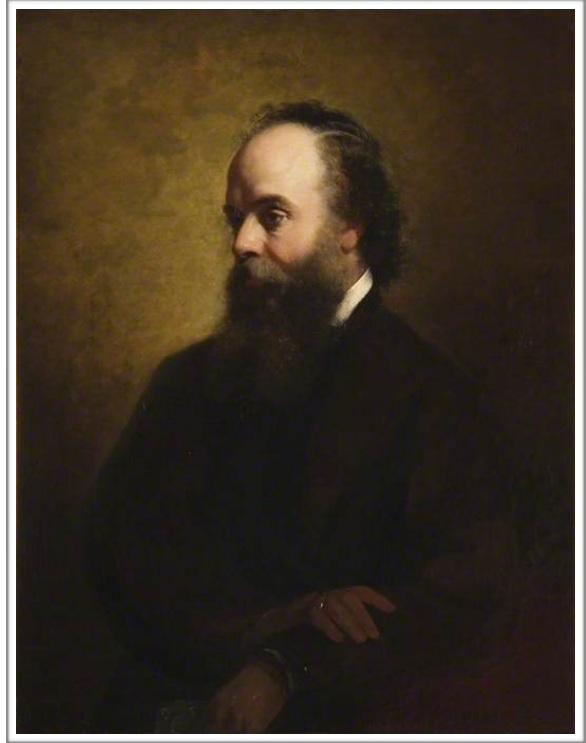
Dynamic Duos

EVERYTHING
TO EVERYBODY

HERITAGE
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George Dawson, British School, Birmingham Museums Trust



Samuel Timmins, Roden, Birmingham Museums Trust

The world's first Shakespeare Library was started in Birmingham by two very different men: loud and lively George Dawson and patient, studious Samuel Timmins. George and Sam were also good friends. They believed that the great works of William Shakespeare could transform the lives of ordinary people and should be available for all.

Great partnerships are often the result of different characteristics and points of view, built on mutual understanding and respect. Good partners might be two friends, a couple, business partners, comedy act, singers or dancers, artists etc. Sometimes two quite different individuals seem to click together, share common values and go on to achieve great things. Think about who you work well with and who brings out the best in you.

Within his plays William Shakespeare examined relationships. He wrote many plays about powerful partnerships: Romeo and Juliet, Troilus and Cressida and the historic couple Antony and Cleopatra.

A powerful partnership from the past is Birmingham business partners James Watt and Matthew Boulton. Their joint ventures led to great industrial change in the world. Well known musicians John Lennon and Paul McCartney worked together to create some of our most memorable music and songs.

Make a list of all the great duos you can think of. Don't forget Batman and Robin, Anna and Elsa, Bert and Ernie, and Tom and Jerry!

Design a short comic strip story about two close friends.