

## **A selection of person-derived eponyms**

Adam's apple – biblical character  
Alzheimer's – Alois Alzheimer, German neurologist  
America – Amerigo Vespucci, Italian explorer  
amp – André-Marie Ampère, French scientist  
Asperger's – Hans Asperger, Austrian psychologist  
bigot – Nathaniel Bigot, English Puritan teacher  
biro – László Biró, Hungarian inventor  
boycott – Charles Boycott, Irish politician  
braille – Louis Braille, French teacher and musician  
sideburns – Ambrose Burnside, US general  
Caesar salad – Caesar Cardini – Italian-American restaurateur  
doggerel – Matthew Doggerel, English poet  
dunce – John Duns Scotus, Scottish theologian  
ferris wheel – George Washington Gale Ferris, US engineer  
hooligan – Patrick Hooligan, Irish criminal  
hoover – William Henry Hoover, US businessman  
wellingtons – 1st Duke of Wellington, Arthur Wellesley, English soldier  
dahlia – Anders Dahl, Swedish botanist  
diesel – Rudolf Diesel, German mechanical engineer  
frisbee – William Russell Frisbie, US inventor  
greengage – William Gage, English botanist  
hertz – Heinrich Rudolf Hertz, German physicist  
jacuzzi – Candido Jacuzzi, Italian inventor  
JCB – Joseph Cyril Bamford, English manufacturer  
leotard – Jules Léotard, French acrobat  
loganberry – James Harvey Logan, US judge  
mackintosh – Charles Macintosh, Scottish inventor  
Mars – Frank Mars, US businessman  
mesmerise – Franz Anton Mesmer, Austrian physician  
Oscar – Oscar Pierce, US wheat grower  
pasteurise – Louis Pasteur, French chemist  
Pilates – Joseph Pilates, German physical trainer  
ritzy – César Ritz, Swiss hotelier  
salmonella – Daniel Elmer Salmon, US pathologist  
sandwich – 4th Earl of Sandwich, John Montagu, English diplomat  
saxophone – Adolphe Sax, Belgian inventor  
silhouette – Etienne de Silhouette, French politician  
stetson – John Bauerson Stetson – US hat-maker  
watt – James Watt, Scottish inventor  
Yale lock – Linus Yale, US locksmith