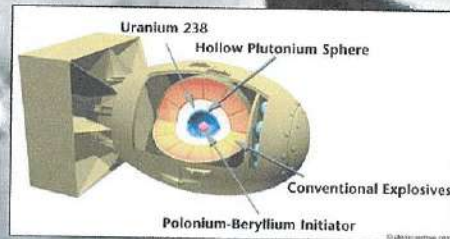


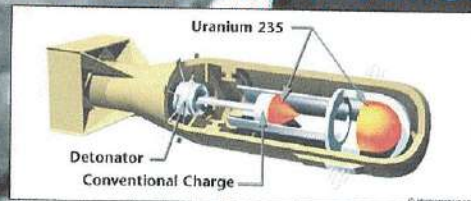
# Oppentimer

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Robert Oppenheimer was born into a wealthy Jewish-American family. He was the scientific director of the Manhattan Project. Robert Oppenheimer is known as “the father of the atomic bomb.” After the war, he was chief advisor to the newly- created Atomic Energy Commission.

Alex: So you worked with J.J. Thompson, how was that?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: Well, it was very nice. I also learned that I was very clumsy in the lab area.

Alex: What was it you were diagnosed with before you started your professorship at Berkley?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: I was diagnosed with a mild case of tuberculosis, so I went and stayed with my brother Frank on a ranch in New Mexico.

Alex: What was the award that Lyndon B. Johnson awarded you?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: I was awarded the Enrico Fermi Award as a gesture of rehabilitation.

Alex: Why were you under investigation by the FBI and the Manhattan Project internal security?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: I was under investigation

because of my left-wing associations.

Alex: While working on the Manhattan Project, why did you have information rushed to Truman about the successful test?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: I had information rushed to President Harry S. Truman because, with the news of a successful test we could use it leverage at the upcoming Potsdam Conference on fate of post-war Europe.

Alex: Why was there a petition going around the lab?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer: Well Alex, a petition was going around the labs in Los Alamos and Oak Ridge because they were pleading the use of the bomb on innocent civilians would be immoral and totally unnecessary.

Alex: How did you feel after the bomb before and after the drop?

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer:  
After the test bomb,  
Trinity, I had great pride,  
but after the drop on  
Japan it was all replaced  
with guilt and horror. But I  
do not regret making the  
bomb.

Alex: **Why did you leave  
Berkley and where did  
you go after you left?**

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer:  
I left Berkley because of  
difficulties during the war,  
and I took up the  
directorship of the  
Institute for Advanced  
Study in Princeton, New  
Jersey.

Alex: **Why were you  
asked to resign and why  
didn't you resign?**

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer:  
I was asked to resign  
because I was accused of  
being a security risk. I  
refused because I wanted  
a hearing to assess my  
loyalty.

Alex: **After being stripped  
of political power what did  
you do?**

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer:  
Well, I continued to  
lecture, write, and work  
on physics. I toured  
Europe and Japan, giving  
talks about the history of  
science, the role of  
science in society, and  
the nature of the  
universe.

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