

What was the average age at first marriage for an English woman in 1600?

- A) 16 B) 20 C) 25

On what topic did Sir Isaac Newton write the most?

- A) Mathematics B) Alchemy C) Religion

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History 4348

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TTh, 8:30-10 a.m., Prof. Catherine Patterson

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