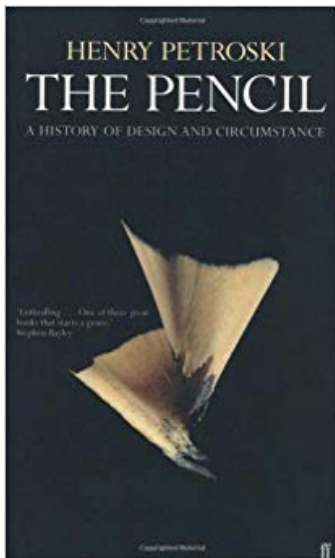


# Henry David Thoreau: Social Entrepreneur



Many people associate Thoreau with Walden's Pond unaware he was also a Harvard graduate who helped to rescue his father's failing pencil factory by developing a better pencil.

And at one point, he co-owned an innovative school for children, but apparently spent much of his adult life working in the family business while pursuing a literary career, other interests, and stance political protests. A good argument could be made that Social Entrepreneur might well have been one of his niches.

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