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1822-1902

German linguist and physician whose interest in the causes of human communication disorders motivated him to author *Die Storungen der Sprache* ("The Impediments of Speech") in 1877. Kussmaul's work offered some of the first clinical descriptions concerning the physiology of language and served as a foundation for the development of modern logopedics (studies of language pathology).