Inventions Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow



Question: What could they be inventing?

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What is an invention?

Have you ever been hot and then turned on a fan? That fan is an invention. Inventions make life easier and more comfortable.

We used to spend time washing dishes. Now many people have dishwashers to do it for them. Inventions change how we live and how we spend our time.



This is an important invention in the summer!



There are other inventions in this kitchen.

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Inventions Big and Small

Inventions can be small yet important. Do you tie your shoes? Shoelaces are an invention.

Inventions can be big and important. Grab a snack from the refrigerator. It's an invention, too.



Shoes are an invention, too.



Without a refrigerator, our food would go bad.

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Creating Inventions Slowly

It usually takes time to create an invention. Many inventions fail at first.

It took years to fly the first aeroplane. Each time they crashed, the inventors learned something new about flying.



Inventors must try and try again.



They had to be brave to keep trying.

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Creating Inventions Suddenly

Sometimes inventions happen suddenly, like the ice cream cone. Some people were selling ice cream when they ran out of bowls.

They rolled up some waffles and plopped the ice cream on top. This is how ice cream cones were invented.



Cones now come in different shapes and sizes.



What flavour ice cream do you like best?

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More Inventions

Often good inventions lead to other inventions. People once drove cars only on sunny days. Wet weather made it hard to see out the windows.

Windscreen wipers solved this problem. Now we drive in any weather!



Look closely; they do not have wipers.



Today cars have wipers on the back window, too.

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Change Our Lives

Most of us carry this invention everywhere we go. It has changed how we live. Inventions will continue to change our lives.

What will inventions be like tomorrow? It's anyone's guess. But you can start thinking about it today...



One mobile phone includes many different inventions.



What do you think he is doing?

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