

VOCABULARY 1 ► ★

1 Listen and read. TR: 2.1

2 Listen and repeat. TR: 2.2

Inventions are everywhere. Look around you. What inventions can you see?

Five thousand years ago, people had a **problem**. They couldn't move big or heavy things! Then someone found the **solution**—the **wheel**. It changed our lives.

Imagine your life without electric lights. Before electricity, we didn't have **useful** things such as batteries, computers, and cell phones.



Inventors need **imagination**. Before the eraser, people used bread to erase writing! In 1839 Charles Goodyear had an **idea**. He **invented** the modern eraser.



The Wright brothers **tried** to fly many times, but they **failed**. Finally, in 1903, they **succeeded**. Now that we have planes, our world is very different.



2 Complete the dialogue.

imagination fail idea invent problem solution try wheels

Rena: I don't want to play video games anymore.
Let's invent something!



Nikos: That's a good idea. But what?

Rena: Use your imagination. We can think of something. I know. Let's make a robot!

Nikos: Sure. I don't know how, but let's try.

Rena: Oh, no. We have a problem. How do we get it to move?

Nikos: Wait! I have a wheel! Let's add wheels.

Rena: Cool. I knew we could do it! If we work together, we can't fail.

