

Listening: inventors and inventions

1 13 Listen to the story. Complete the sentences.

- 1 One of Cynthia's inventions is a flying car.
- 2 Molly would like to become an _____ in the future.
- 3 Cynthia's laboratory was untidy. There were too many _____ on the floor.
- 4 The screwdrivers and spanners were on a long _____.
- 5 There were some _____ and _____ on a big table.
- 6 One assistant had a _____ in their hand and the other one had a paintbrush.
- 7 Cynthia pressed a _____ on the wall to turn off the lights.
- 8 Cynthia's next invention will be a _____ to keep toast warm.



2 14 Listen to the conversation. Answer the questions.

- 1 How long has Molly been at Cynthia's laboratory?
She's been there for six hours.
- 2 What is the big grey machine?

- 3 What is the red switch for?

- 4 Which object does the yellow lever move?

- 5 Which tools did Cynthia learn to use with her mum?

- 6 What does Molly like doing?

- 7 Which two things are needed for a good invention?



1 Work with a friend. Look at these great inventions. Play the guessing game.

Can you tell me what it does?

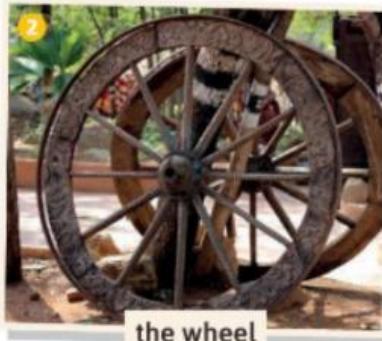
It tells the time.

Can you tell me what it's for?

It's for keeping food cold.



the clock



the wheel



vaccines



the fridge



the light bulb



the Internet

2 With your friend, talk about the inventions in Activity 1. Why are they important? Say one idea each.

The wheel is important because it helps us travel more quickly.

Yes. It also helps us move things easily from one place to another.

3 Think of another great invention. Say why it is important.

I think video games are a great invention. They can help you relax and have fun with your friends after working hard!

