

B. Work with a partner. Make sentences about the inventions.

 *People have had credit cards since 1951 / for about 60 years.*

Invention	Date	Invention	Date
credit card	1951	electric lightbulb	1879
canned food	the early 1800s	filmmaking	1895
wristwatch	1910	paper clip	the 1890s
radio	1901	airplane	1903
toothpaste	1841	ballpoint pen	1888



C. Have you used any of the inventions in exercise **B** above or on pages 48 and 49? How long have you used them? Ask and answer questions with a partner. Add other inventions.

A: Do you have a credit card?

B: Yes, I do.

A: How long have you had it?

B: I've had it for two years. OR
I've had it since I was 18.

A: Have you ever been on a plane?

B: Yes, I have. I flew on a plane on my vacation.

D. Complete the paragraph with the verbs in parentheses. Use the present perfect or simple past tense.

Keep Cool

People _____ (1. try) to keep cool or keep their food cool for ages. The Chinese _____ (2. invent) ice cream 4,000 years ago, and they _____ (3. keep) it in snow in underground chambers. In Baghdad in the eighth century, a king _____ (4. import) snow and _____ (5. put) it in the walls of his summer home to cool the home. In 1834, Jacob Perkins _____ (6. build) a machine to make ice in London. The first home refrigerators _____ (7. appear) in the early 1920s. Since then, people _____ (8. preserve) their food in refrigerators. About the same time, air conditioning of large spaces _____ (9. become) possible. Since that time, people _____ (10. cool) themselves with air conditioners in stores, offices, and homes.