

A [Track 08] Listen to the conversation between Stan and Tina.
Write T (true) or F (false).

1. Televisions were already sold in the 1930s. ____
2. The cell phone was invented in the 1970s. ____
3. The dishwasher invented by Josephine Cochrane used electricity. ____
4. The digital camera was invented in 1985. ____

A ____ / 8 points (2 points each)

B Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. Yesterday was a really **eventful** / **conventional** day. So much happened!
2. This invention is popular because it's very **convenient** / **insignificant**.
3. My boss has a lot of new and interesting ideas. She's really **uncreative** / **imaginative**.
4. Everyone is reading this book. It's very **unimaginative** / **successful**.
5. One of my favorite artists uses materials found in the garbage. I like his art because it's **uncreative** / **unconventional**.
6. This tea is good for stopping headaches. It's really **effective** / **ineffective**.

B ____ / 6 points (1 point each)

C Complete the paragraph with the correct noun form of the verbs in parentheses.

The _____¹ (introduce) of canned food in 1813 was an exciting moment in food history. Everybody welcomed the

_____² (innovate), but there was one problem.

The cans were difficult to open because they were made of very thick metal. The first can openers were invented in the 1850s,

but they were not easy to use. The _____³ (develop)

of thinner cans in the early 1860s, and William Lyman's _____⁴ (create) of a better can

opener in 1870 improved things a little. In 1925, a company in San Francisco changed Lyman's design slightly. That small change was a significant _____⁵ (improve) on the original design,

and the can opener finally became a big _____⁶ (succeed).



C ____ / 6 points (1 point each)

D Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. CDs were **such** / **so** a great idea that records were soon out-of-date.
2. She created **such** / **so** original paintings.
3. His last album is **such** / **so** good that everyone is talking about it.
4. Cell phones are **such** / **so** easy to carry.
5. It was **such** / **so** a sad movie that everyone in the theater was crying.
6. The MP3 player was **such** / **so** inexpensive that we bought one for each child.

D _____ / 6 points (1 point each)

E Complete the text with the correct passive form of the verbs in parentheses. Use the simple present, simple past, or present perfect passive.

- The first CDs _____¹ (develop) in the 1970s, but they didn't become popular until the 1980s.
- Originally, the CD _____² (create) for music, but later it _____³ (improve) so that you could use it for data, images, and videos.
- By the early 2000s, CDs _____⁴ (use) everywhere, in people's homes, in their cars, and at their jobs
- For many years, records _____⁵ (sell) in stores, but in the 1990s they _____⁶ (replace) by CDs.
- Nowadays, as streaming music has become more popular, fewer and fewer CDs _____⁷ (sell).

E _____ / 7 points (1 point each)

F Number the lines of the conversation in the correct order.

- ____ **A:** Yes, great idea. Let me call him!
- ____ **A:** Oh, no! My computer isn't working! What should I do? Got any suggestions?
- ____ **A:** I tried that, but it didn't work. Got any other ideas?
- ____ **B:** Another solution might be to call Thomas. He knows a lot about computers.
- ____ **B:** Something you could try is to turn it off and then turn it on again.

F _____ / 5 points (1 point each)

G Read the magazine page. Then complete the sentences with *Sue*, *Dana*, *Pam*, or *Beth*.

What's your favorite invention?

The remote control – It makes life at home much easier. I don't have to get up to turn the TV on and off. I can just press a button to turn off the sound so I don't have to listen to commercials. I can go from channel to channel whenever I want. I love it! -*Sue*

The digital camera – I'm not a professional photographer, but I never go anywhere without my camera. I take pictures every day. One great thing about a digital camera is that you can delete any pictures you don't like. I'm always thinking of new ways to take pictures, and I've started using the pictures to create posters, T-shirts, calendars, and other fun things for my friends. -*Dana*

The MP3 player – In my opinion, this is the most innovative invention of the last 100 years! It has completely changed the way people listen to music. I can listen to music everywhere – at home, in the gym, on the train, in the supermarket. In stressful situations – like when my train is delayed – listening to music helps me feel better. -*Pam*

The Internet – I think I can't live without the Internet. I can talk to my friends all over the world, send emails, and get the latest news. I can work from home because I can use the Internet to contact co-workers. I also use it when I travel. I can't imagine life without the Internet. -*Beth*

1. _____ uses her favorite invention when she exercises.
2. _____ makes gifts for her friends with her favorite invention.
3. _____ can stay seated with the help of her favorite invention.
4. _____ uses her favorite invention for work.
5. _____ manages stress with her favorite invention.
6. _____ can't hold her favorite invention in her hand.

G _____ / 12 points (2 points each)