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As we enjoy great advantages from the inventions of others, we should be glad of an opportunity to serve others by any invention of ours, and this we should do freely and generously.

——Benjamin Franklin

Human history has been shaped by landmark inventions that ushered in sea changes in human civilizations. The inventions of typography and the printing press revolutionized the means of mass communication and knowledge transmission. Microscopes and telescopes expanded the conceptual frontiers of human worldview, enabling visions previously invisible to the naked eye. The invention of incandescent light bulbs lengthened the day, increased human productivity, and liberated mankind from the grip of darkness.

Imagine yourself as an altruistic inventor capable of creating something that can introduce technological, social, cultural, economic, environmental, ideological, conceptual, or organizational changes to the future world. Your invention will likely better the lives of others and should be made accessible to all, free of charge. What will it be? Write an essay of 350-450 words and apply an appropriate title (10%). In addition to an introduction and a conclusion (20%), your essay should contain at least two body paragraphs (50%). The first should introduce the thing you wish to invent, summarize its functions, and describe its basic properties. The second should predict the changes your invention will bring to the world. You might also wish to prophesize how your invention can improve our daily lives or advance the insight of the human race. Please pay attention to grammar, diction, sentence construction, punctuation, and the legibility of your handwriting (20%). To ensure utmost fairness, words exceeding the permitted limit of length will not be considered.

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