



BOOK TALK CARDS



THEMES:

Human ingenuity • Inventions

Seven Small Inventions that Changed the World

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Technology and engineering surround us: from HUGE spaceships and skyscrapers, to much smaller things like the toaster in our kitchen and the shoes on our feet. But all of these things only exist because of seven small inventions: the nail, the wheel, the spring, the magnet, the lens, the pump, and string.



OUR THOUGHTS

"Fascinating approach to an often-covered topic, focusing on smaller but important innovations. Bright and eye-catching, sure to be picked up by budding inventors."

TIME TO TALK

- 1 Have any of the potted histories of these common place inventions surprised you?
- 2 Are you amazed at how old some of the inventions are?
- 3 Have a look around the room – can you see any of these inventions where you are?
- 4 Do you like the art style in the book?
- 5 Imagine being the first person to invent something, like string. How would you discover it? Would people be interested in your invention at first?
- 6 Which is your favourite invention in the book, and the one you could do without the least?
- 7 Is there any information in here that makes you want to discover more? What is it?



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