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ESSAY TITLE: IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING

If I could invent something, it would be a space traveller shuttle.

This space traveller will be a means of transporting people through space as well as other planets.

I have always wanted to invent this so as to give everyone an opportunity to get to see what space and other planets are made up of. All our lives, we have always been on planet earth and only read or watch documentaries about how other planets look like without having the opportunity to be there and see for ourselves.

Children like me as well as other enthusiasts dream of visiting but this seems almost impossible because it costs so much to have such privilege. Only the extremely wealthy can afford it. For us in Africa and especially in Nigeria, this dream will only die a natural death as we do not have such resources to bring it into reality.

My space traveller shuttle will be called Time-Breaker. It is not called so just for no reason. It is specially built to arrive at its destination in three minutes unlike other space shuttles which take between five to seven minutes to land. It will be built for young aspiring scientists like me and other professional scientists and inventors in Africa. This is because I want us, especially Africans to believe that it is possible to have the opportunities, dreams and aspirations those in the developed world have.

Most importantly, seeing other planets will open our minds, provoke our creative thinking abilities and inspire us to create out-of-this-world inventions to solve the various challenges faced by Nigerians and Africa at large.

The Time-Breaker will be built to contain twelve people with comfortable interiors such as a game house, that can allow crew members live in it for three months so as to allow them explore all that there is in space. Also, in it will be a game house, bedrooms, toilets and bathrooms, library, spacelab and a few other exciting spots. I will ensure that while there are qualified medical practitioners on standby on each trip, every necessary safety precaution is strictly adhered to before take-off so as to make sure no life is lost or injuries sustained while en route.

The shuttle will be cylindrical in shape, painted blue and with high quality metallic materials to be able to withstand any harsh and dangerous weather.

In conclusion, my Time-Breaker shuttle is my dream invention and a life-changing opportunity for Nigerians as well as Africans to experience by ourselves and with our own eyes the endless opportunities and possibilities that we are capable of achieving.