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ESSAY TOPIC: IF I COULD INVENT SOMETHING NEW

Alan kay once said, ”The best way to predict the future is to invent it”. The world has become a global village to the extent that technology has now become part of our everyday activities. We use these technological devices or inventions in our various homes, schools and place of work. These inventions include: Phones, Electric-kettle, Air-conditioner, Gas cooker, Cars, Bicycles, Washing machine, calculator, computers and so on. These inventions were created by inventors, which has made life easier and stress free for mankind.

What is an invention? An invention is a thing or idea that has been created by someone for the benefit of others. It is also a means to produce or design something that has not existed before. There are many inventors who have contributed in making life easier, some of them are: Alexander Graham Bell who gave us the telephone, Carl Benz invented car, Blaise Pascal, the calculator, Charles Babbage, computer and many more.

I have always thought what it would be like if the dumb people had a chance at expressing themselves? How they live each day with creativity unspoken? Thoughts and ideas that are not communicated or being able to express? If I could invent something new it would be a device that could help dumb people speak! I would call it a speech sensor. This device would be inserted on the neck, which would help in articulating sounds depending on the gestures made around the lip to the throat. It would also be connected with the sensory nerves so that whatever you think of saying, the speech sensor interprets to sound, thus addressing challenges of communication.

The reason this device would be helpful is because not everyone has the ability to understand the sign language the speech sensor comes in to solve communication problems. Another reason would be to eliminate language barriers which I feel often times gets them into trauma, depression and sometimes life-threatening situation because of the inability to talk, people use it against them especially by bullying, making them have low self-esteem. The speech sensor would help them build confidence and gain high self-esteem to stand up for themselves.

The impact and benefit of the speech sensor is that they could have creative mind thinking which could help contribute more to under-developed countries and around the world. They could also have amazing talents hidden but with the speech sensor they can unveil to the world their talents. Some of the dumb could have really high self- esteem and confidence that can help in tackling and solving global problems and could even be role-models and great aspiring leaders of the country with the help of the speech sensor.

In conclusion, the speech sensor is very helpful for those unable to speak to discover their hidden personality or talent and show it to the world and help in benefitting countries. It will also enhance the quality of life of the individuals with speech impairments and enable more inclusive, effective communication across language barriers.