



The Great Invention

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Cling, clang, dong! went the hammer of Ben Hartley. He had a big dream to become an inventor and now he was 18, his parents had decided to let him enter the Great Invention Contest.

He was just about to finish his invention (a flying wrist watch that can take you as high as you would like) when he smelt a fresh batch of his mum's chocolate chip cookies! He went downstairs to have one but stopped to hear the clang of metal. "What could that be?" he thought. Then he jumped up. "Oh no", he thought. Ben ran upstairs and saw his wrist watch on the floor in pieces! He picked up all the pieces and yelled, "Amity!"

"Do you know anything about this?" he asked. "No", she said, trying not to smirk. Amity was Ben's mean little sister. She loved trouble - that was the only thing she liked. "I'm sure you know something!" Ben said, starting to get REALLY angry. "No I don't", she explained. "Well, I do really..... Oh fine I did it!" she said, pretending to cry. "And I'm soooooo sorry.....NOT!" She went off to her room to read her One Direction magazine.

That night, Ben stayed awake for all of it, restarting his invention.

By morning it was ready. Ben went to bed and slept all day and woke up at 9 pm. Then he fell asleep and dreamt of his invention.

It was the day of the Great Invention Contest, and Ben was up at 6 am getting ready. He made breakfast and set off on his bike. When he got there, he started feeling a bit sick. He looked at the other inventions and their inventors. There was everything - translator machines, talking dog toys and even a singing umbrella! His was just a wrist watch. But "I will win!" he said to himself.

Everyone started arriving and after a few hours of getting ready and then waiting, it was his turn to be judged..... "I won!" yelled Ben. "Yippee, best thing in the world!" said Amity.

Now Ben runs his own invention company called "Incredible Inventions". You should go there one day, if you can find it!