

Workshop 5: Wired for Trouble**Quick Project**
Make a List

If you were stranded on a desert island, what technological inventions would you miss the most?

Project: List three technological inventions that you wouldn't want to live without. Tell why each one is important to you.

Procedure**1. Generate ideas.**

Think about a typical day in your life. What technology do you depend on? Ask yourself questions to get ideas:

- What transportation do I use?
- How do I communicate with my friends and family?
- How do I listen to music?

Think of your own questions. List at least six devices or machines that are part of your life.

2. Narrow the choices.

Pick the three inventions that you think are most important. Write the name of each one at the top of a sheet of notebook paper. Find a photo from a newspaper or magazine, or make your own illustration of each invention.

3. Explain yourself.

Write a few sentences under the illustration. Explain why this invention is important to you. Give examples of why, where, and when you use this invention.

4. Present your work.

Share your choices with others doing this project. Group similar items together and post them in different areas of the classroom. Compare the different choices that students have made.