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7TH GRADE READING COMPREHENSION

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions.

The Inventor's Dream

Carlos had always loved to tinker with things. From a young age, he took apart gadgets and toys, curious to see how they worked. His parents often found him in his room, surrounded by screws, wires, and parts of old radios and clocks. At first, they were worried that he might break something important, but Carlos always seemed to fix whatever he worked on, and sometimes, he even made it better.

One day, Carlos came up with an idea for an invention. He wanted to create a machine that could help people clean their homes more efficiently. He sketched out his ideas, made plans, and began building his invention using old tools and materials from around the house. After weeks of hard work, Carlos finally finished his machine. It was a little clunky, but it worked! His invention helped pick up dust and dirt faster than a regular broom, and it was much quieter, too.

Carlos was proud of his creation, but he knew there was still room for improvement. He started to think of ways to make the machine more compact and efficient. Carlos' dream was to one day have his inventions help people all over the world.

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

2. Why do Carlos' parents stop worrying about him taking things apart?

3. What does the word "clunky" mean in the passage?

4. What is Carlos' goal for the future?

5. How do you think Carlos feels about his invention?
