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You Be the Judge

Read “Best Inventions of 2020” (January 8, 2021). Then choose the invention you believe is the most innovative, and judge it using the criteria below.

Each year, the Consumer Technology Association (CTA) holds the Consumer Electronics Show (CES) for new technologies. At the CES showcase event, outstanding examples of design and engineering are honored with CES Innovation Awards. Pretend you are a judge at this year’s event. Choose an invention featured in this week’s magazine and score it using the rubric below.

Product name: _____

Product category:

Choose up to three.

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| <input type="radio"/> Accessibility | <input type="radio"/> Robotics |
| <input type="radio"/> Gaming | <input type="radio"/> Software and Mobile Apps |
| <input type="radio"/> Health and Wellness | <input type="radio"/> Sustainability and Eco Design |
| <input type="radio"/> Home Appliances | <input type="radio"/> Vehicle Intelligence and Transportation |
| <input type="radio"/> Mobile Devices and Accessories | <input type="radio"/> Wearable Technologies |

Judging criteria:

Engineering	The materials used to make this product are sensible and well-thought-out. The product clearly meets its intended use. The product will soon be able to be replicated in a cost-effective way.	/10
Design	This product’s design is both functional and visually appealing. The design is unique or interesting to users while being practical for a large base of people.	/10
Innovation	This product is groundbreaking or a novel improvement on an existing idea. The technology will be life-changing or will change the way users view an existing problem.	/10
Total score: /30 Average score (total ÷ 3):		

Explain why this invention should win a 2021 Innovation Award.
