

PROOF IT! Proofreading and Writing Guidelines exercise

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Using your newly incorporated style guide and proofreading marks guide, correct the following story. And just for good measure, pay attention to the common grammar sheet as well!

Every one want to feel special sometimes. But what if a person could feel specialty anytime they wanted. On last Sat. Oct. 25th in Burlington, Iowa, a Junior at the local High School figured out away to make every one feel good about herself.

Junior Jake McAlistair has inventted a “applause box.” The box that was part of a science project, is motion activated and has a mirror on the top of it so that while you are getting applause a person can actually look herself in the face “I wanted to make sure that every one had a way to feel good about there self and this was the easiest solution that I could come up with on such short notice,’ McAlistair explained.

His science teacher, Mr. Torrance, a science teacher at BHS thinks that Jake’s invention is a great idea. “It’s a great idea,” Mr. Torrance said when I asked him if he thought it was a good idea. He thought that it was such a good idea, infact, that he sent the idea to a friend of his who works for a place that makes Novelty Items. “My friend said that he thought it would make a great gift item,” Mr. Torrance said. “They are negotiating with jake right now about how much they want to buy it for from him.”

McAlistair is excitement about the idea of his science project being marketing nationwide. “It just makes me feel good to know that there are people out there who might be having a bad day out there and when they buy this and put it in they’re bedroom or livingroom and then they walk by and catch a glimpse of herself and hear that Applause,” Mcalistair exclaimed.