

# STEPS FOR INVENTING

1. Inventors notebook
  1. Get the records notarized by a public notary.
2. Lawyer approved Non Disclosure Agreement
3. 1 hour, \$10 prototype you do yourself
4. 3 hour search for similar items that you do yourself [www.google.com/patents](http://www.google.com/patents)
5. **Determine value of invention**
  1. **How much does it cost to manufacture?**
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  2. **How much will someone pay for it?**
  3. **How many will you sell? (sales volume?)**
6. Go/no Go
7. Refine prototype
8. Write The Pitch
9. Full prior art search
10. Patent
11. License



Contact me for the “How to...” in the steps listed above.

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