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Re: Popular Mechanics Breakthrough Awards

Dear Editors,

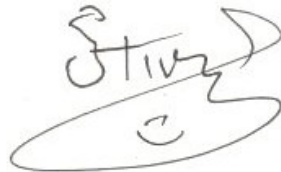
I'll admit it's been a long time since I was an English teacher, however, I still recall that the terms "breakthrough" and "invention" refer to the first of a kind. Thus, I don't understand how Popular Mechanics could award its "Breakthrough Award," for cutting-edge "breakthrough inventions of the year" to Sling Media for its Slingbox.

In 2003, which I am confident is two years before 2005, I purchased TV2Me from my friend Kenny Schaffer. Kenny devised "place shifting," the ability to push great pictures across the world over little wires) to allow people like me, traveling constantly, to maintain a sense of home. Because of TV2Me, I can watch my team, Newcastle United, from wherever I'm working or playing, and as you may imagine, it isn't wise to come between an Englishman and his team.

I just thought that I'd tell you of your mistake so that the proper adjective modifies the correct noun.

Regards,

Sting

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sting" in a cursive, stylized font. Below the name, there is a small, simple smiley face drawn with a curved line for a mouth and two dots for eyes.