The pen when taken apart consists of 5 individual pieces. A cylindrical tube to house the pen with its ink and ballpoint. A spring that allows the ballpoint to extend beyond the case for when you are ready to write. The ballpoint and ink containment are one solid piece. A tip that attacked on to the cylindrical tube to fully encase the pen. And finally a rubber sleeve to allow a good and comfortable grip when writing. The pen itself could be used without any of the other peripherals but each one makes the whole better. Allows for a more comfortable and easy experience for the user.