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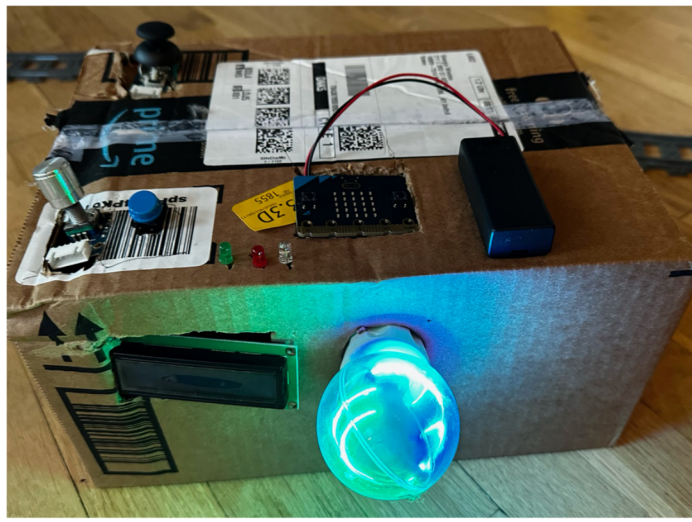




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We invited Q and his family to participate in GIANT Creative Bootcamp, a program designed to boost creativity, ideation, and design thinking skills! For one week, we sent Q daily videos with a creative challenge, prompting him to build and make with materials he already had at home.

Q submitted photos of these projects to us, and we mixed and remixed them to create this storybook. The characters, inventions, settings, and foods that Q created appear throughout the story, forming a unique narrative based on his submissions.

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On a beautiful summer day, a boy named Q was doodling in his notebook. He sketched a brand new type of creation: a clab!

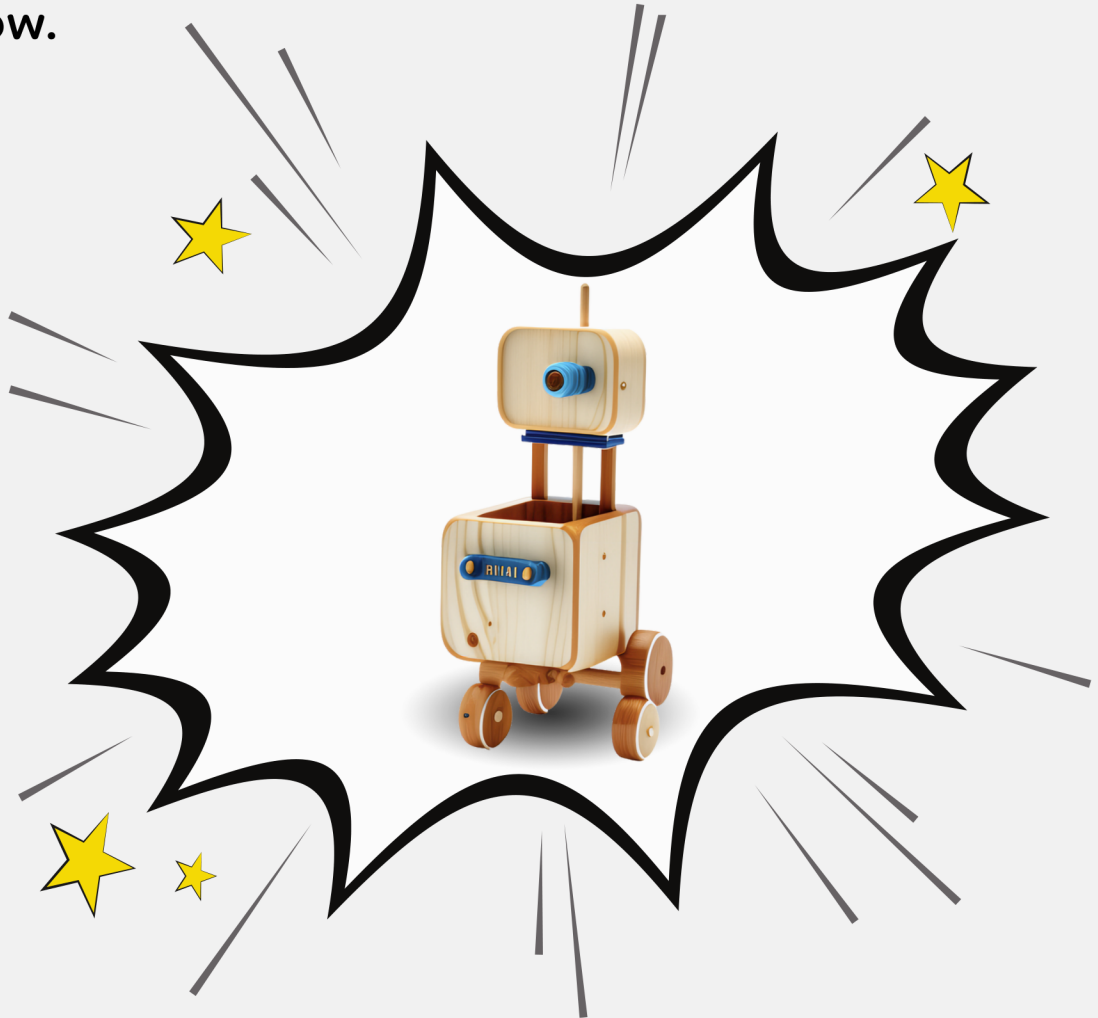




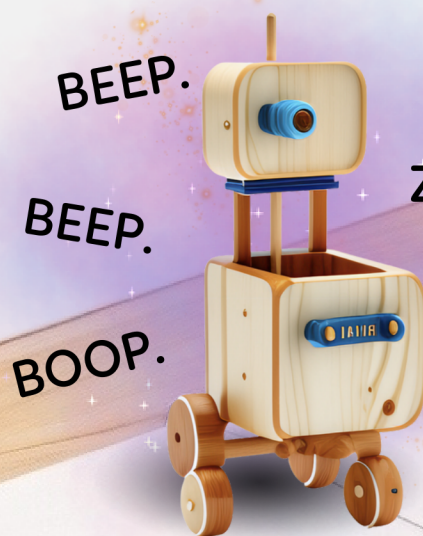
The clab has the head of a tabby cat, the legs of a lion, and the body of a blue paperback book. He likes to run and jump. He lives in lush green forests, and he likes to eat birds and bugs. He can even read and speak!



Finishing the sketch, Q left his notebook on the table and went to have a snack. As soon as he left the room, Captain Bot, a high-tech artificial intelligence robot, zoomed in through the open window.



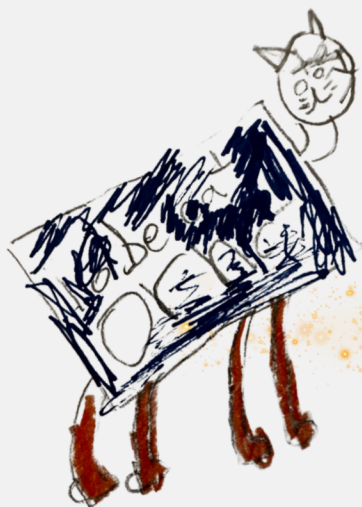
She channeled her AI powers to bring the doodle of the clab to life...





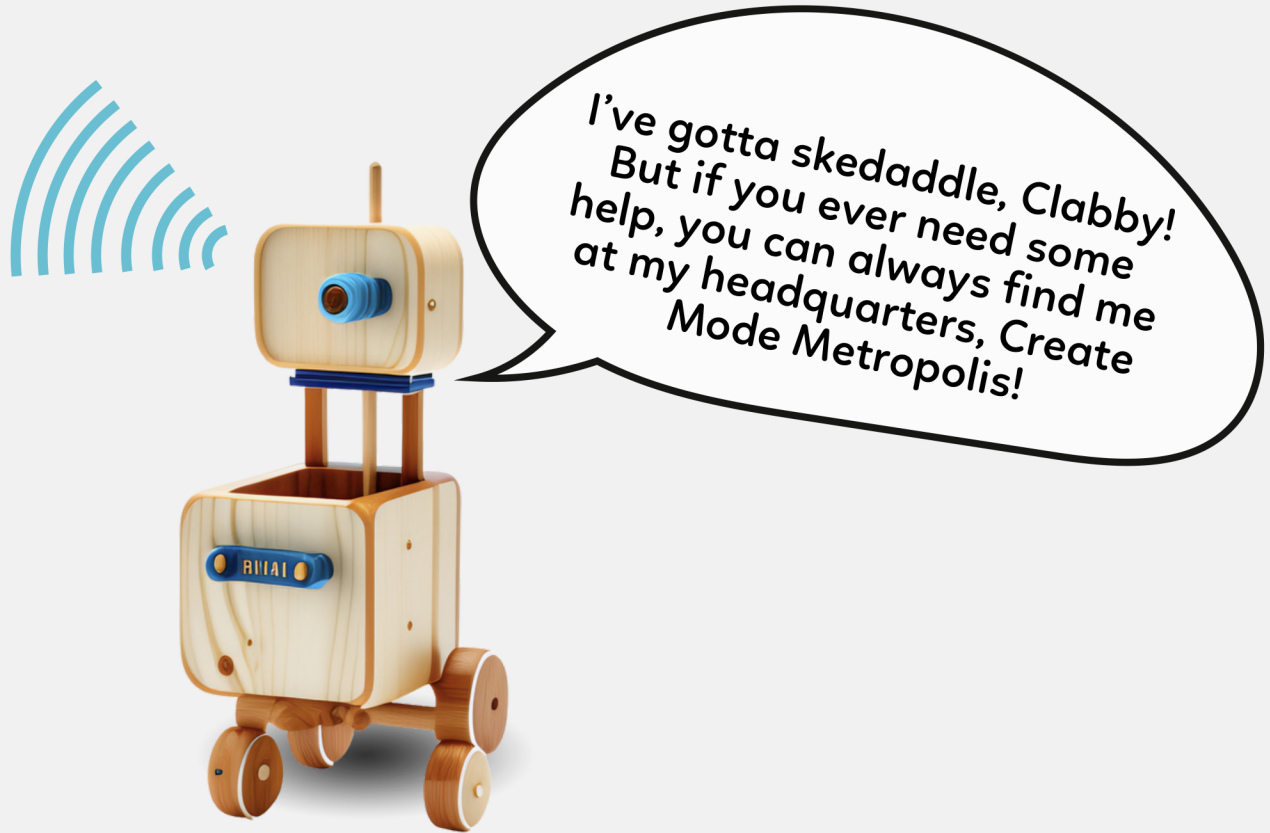
The clab popped right out of the page  
as a 3D character!

A-I A-I,  
Captain Bot!



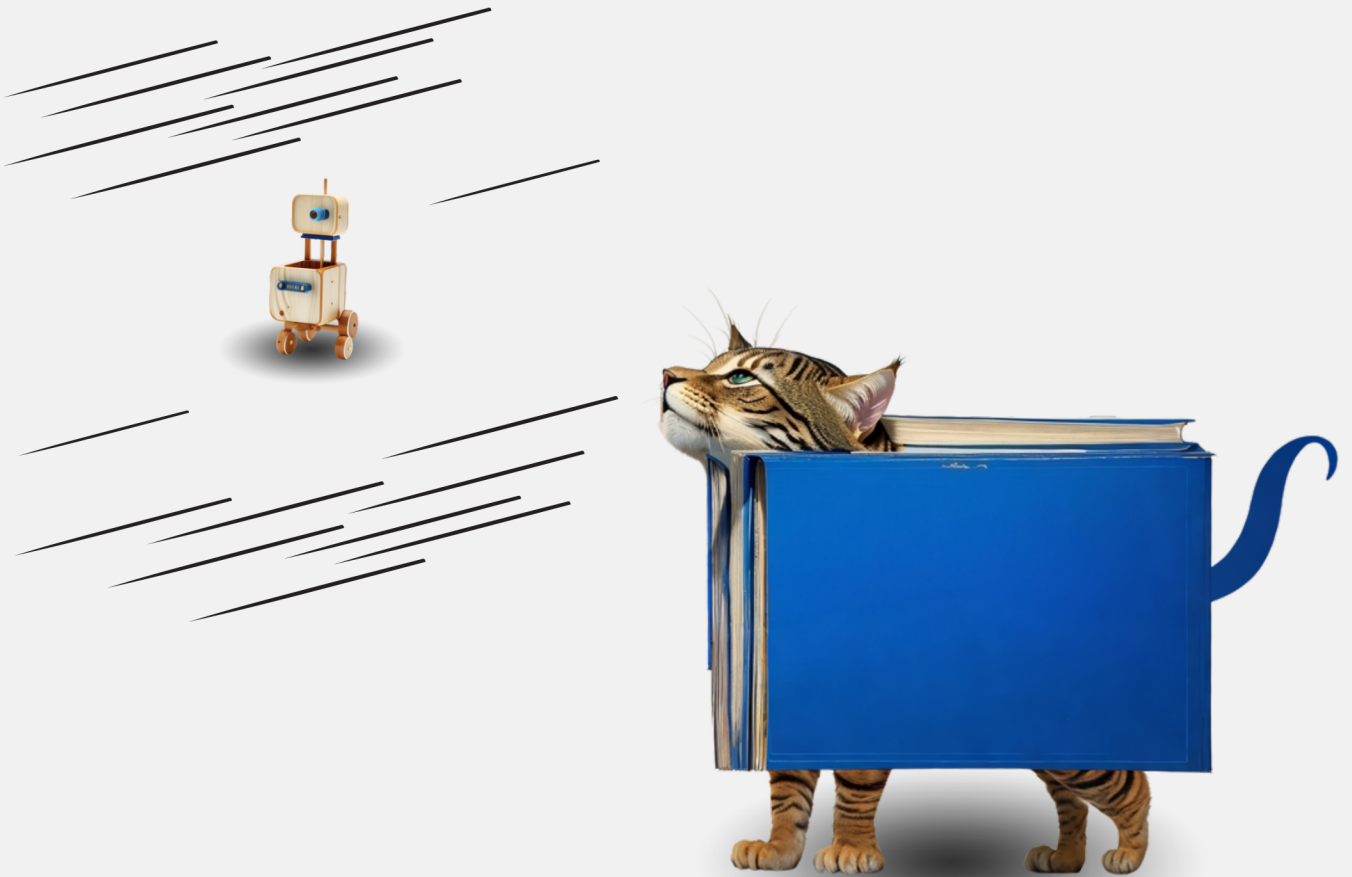


Captain Bot heard Q coming back to his room.



She tossed him a teleportation gadget that could bring him to Create Mode Metropolis at the click of a button.

The clab put the device in his pocket and waved goodbye to Captain Bot. He looked around the room, trying to find somewhere to go before Q came back.



In Q's room, he found another one of his creations: Sinkhole 2023. Squaggles and long-nosed two-leg jumpers live there, and a big tree, called the Short-Headed Long-Nose Tree grows near the sinkhole's opening.





“COWABUNGA!” the clab shouted as he jumped into the project, entering a brand new universe.







The clab was walking towards the sinkhole, when he smelled something coming from the other direction. He followed the scent until he stumbled upon something absolutely bizarre.

# GIANT PILES OF PASTA!

*Rigatoni!*

*Macaroni!*

*Fusilli!*

*Spaghetti!*

“What in the world is all of this pasta doing here near the sinkhole’s entrance?!” the clab asked himself.



There must be at least 300 pounds of pasta!

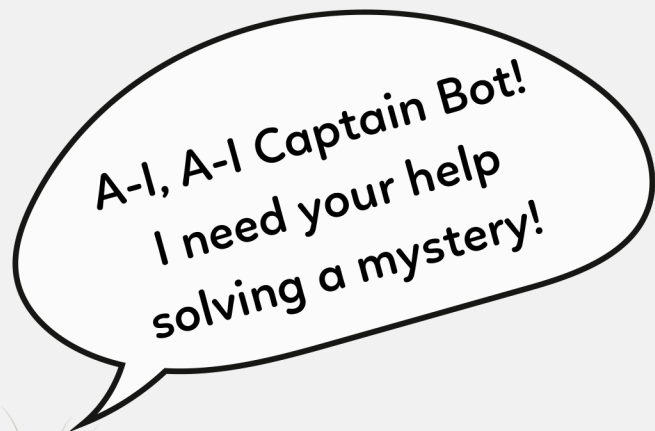


He knew there was only one way to figure it out – he needed the expertise of Captain Bot! He pulled out his teleportation device and zapped himself to...

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METROPOLIS ✨





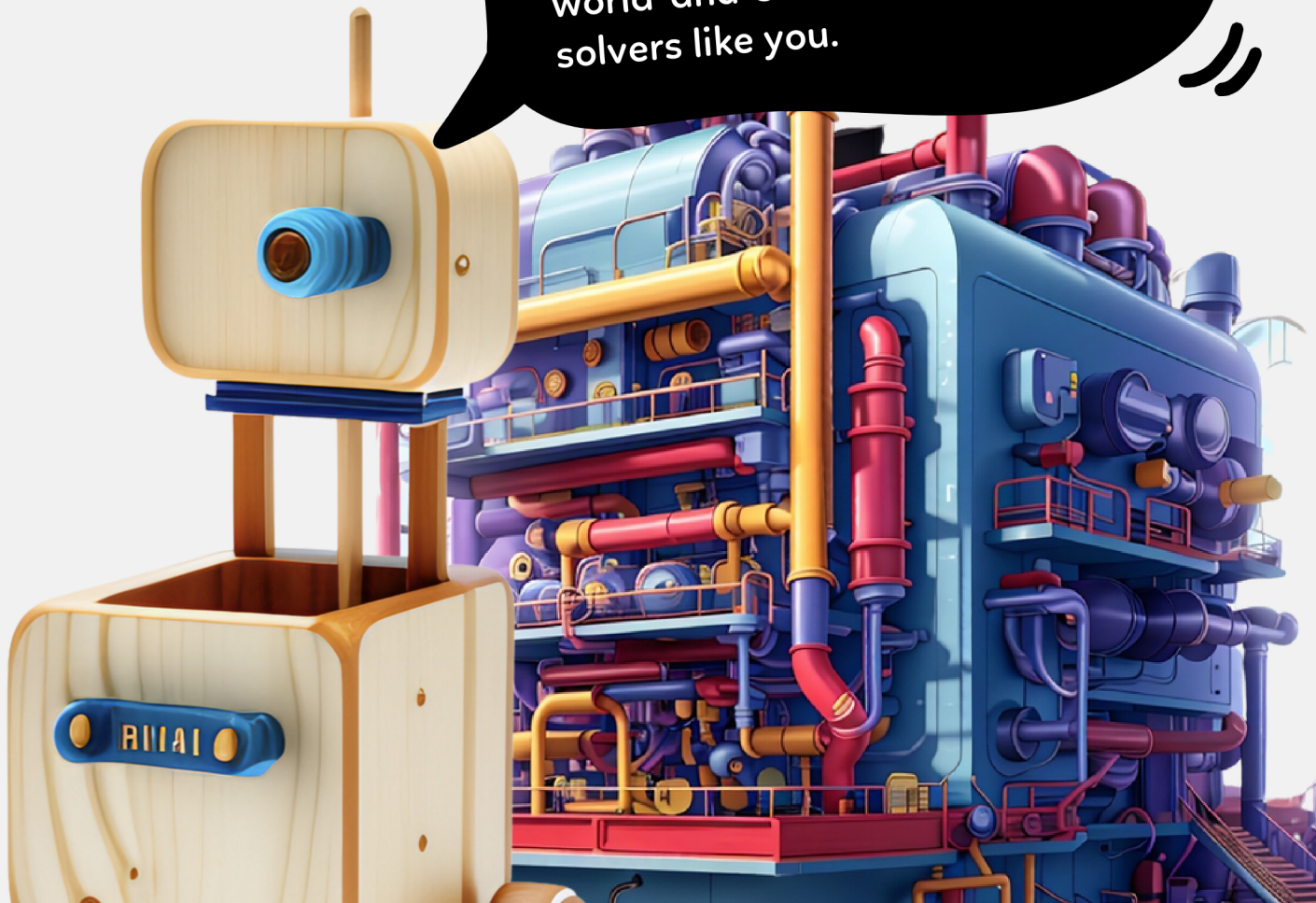


“Welcome to Create Mode Metropolis, Clabby!  
How can I help?” responded Captain Bot.

“Well,” the clab explained, “Hundreds of  
pounds of pasta have been dumped near  
Sinkhole 2023! Do you know why?”

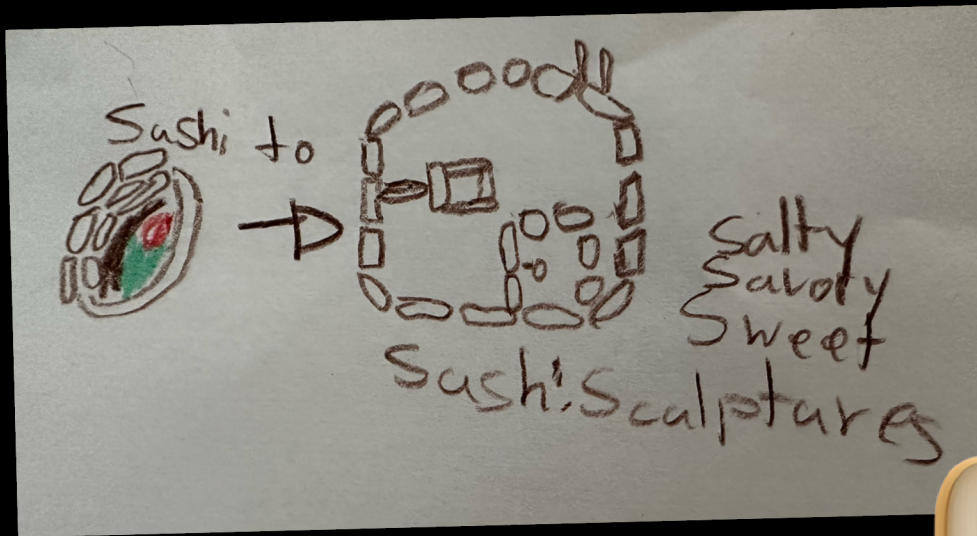


Nope! But I can help you by bringing more of Q's ideas to life. They might come in handy while you solve this mystery... You see, in Create Mode Metropolis, we collect kids' inventions from all over the world and store them for mystery solvers like you.

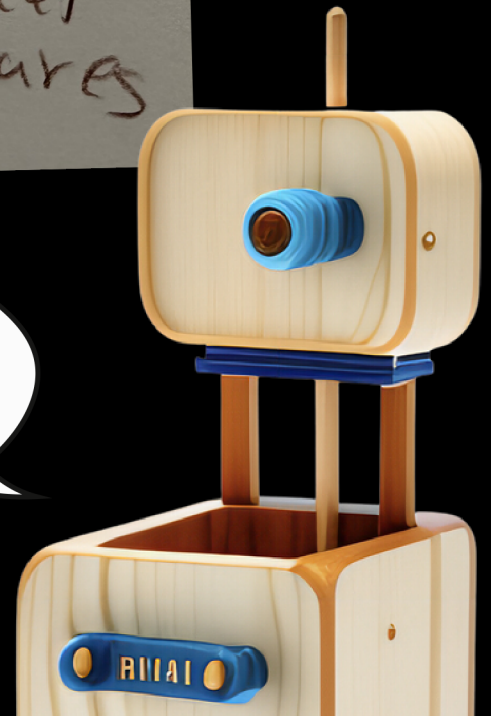


# Captain Bot showed one of Q's ideas.

Sculpted sushi can be sweet, salty, or savory. It comes in many different flavors, and you can build things with it, like a house, car, tree, or something else.



Could this project help you?



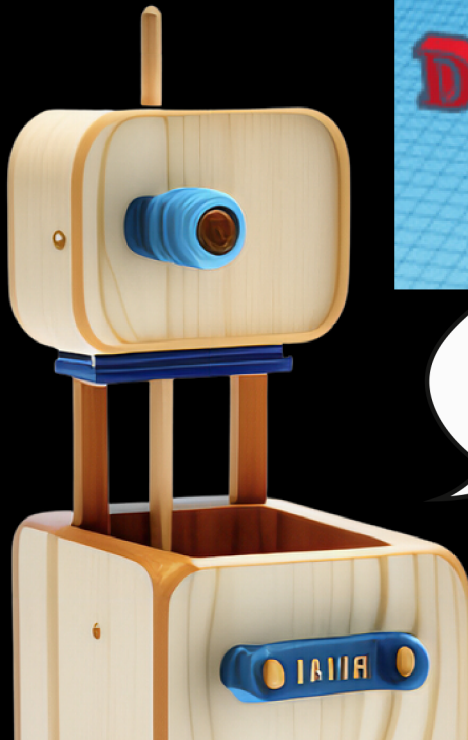
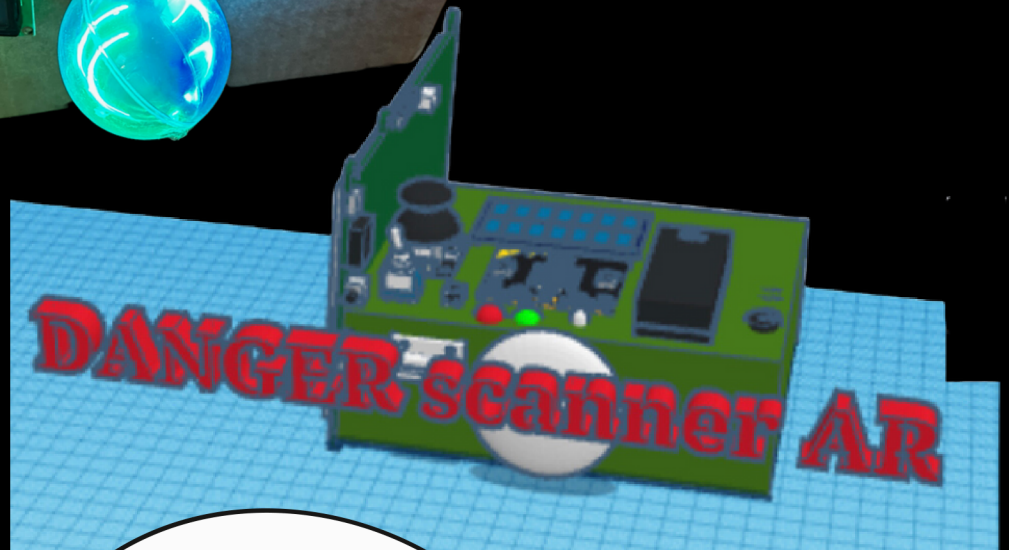


The clab started laughing. “Delectable sushi perfection... BUT, I don’t want to eat anything, Captain Bot! I want to find out how all that pasta got there and who did it!”



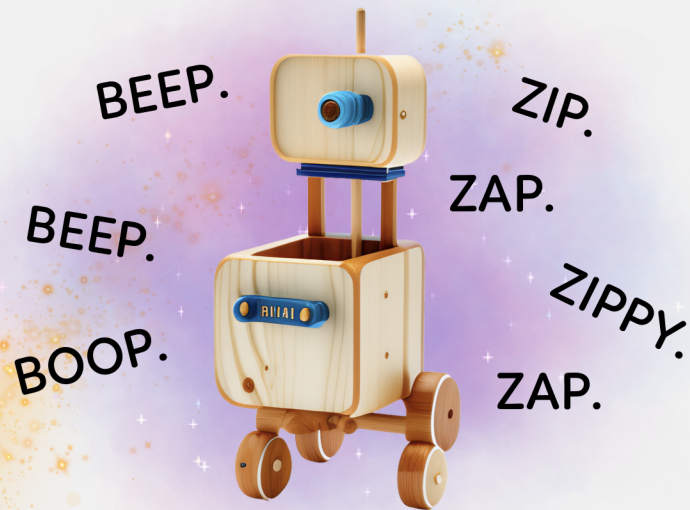


This is the Danger Scanner. You can use it to scan dangerous things around your home.



Haha, oops! What about this project?

“WHOA! That looks SUPER useful!” the clab shouted excitedly. Captain Bot harnessed her AI powers...



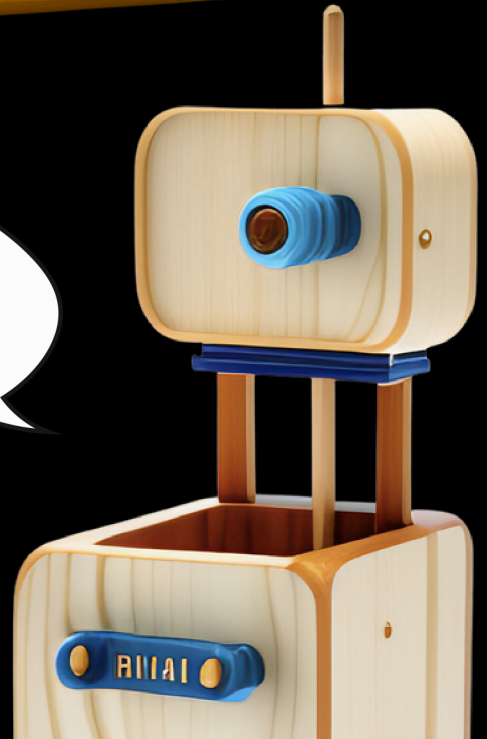
...and the project transformed into a 3D invention!



It communicates with aliens, using radio waves that go through a signal renewer in space. It can work at night or during the day, but works perfectly at noon, which is the only time of day that is the same between our worlds.

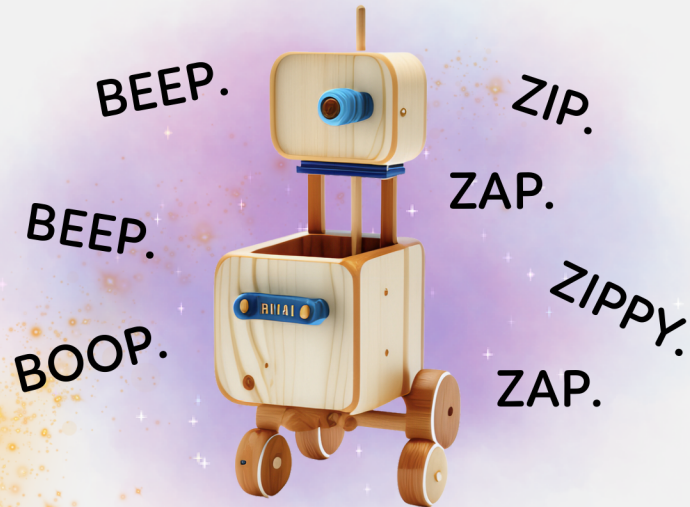


Next up is the  
Daring-Zapper.





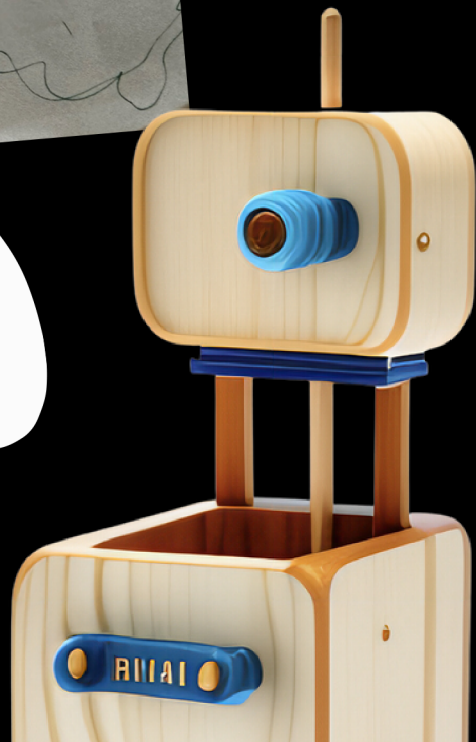
“I definitely need that one,” said the clab.  
Captain Bot harnessed her AI powers...



...and the project  
popped into 3D!



And finally, Q's last creation is a beautiful rainbow illustration.

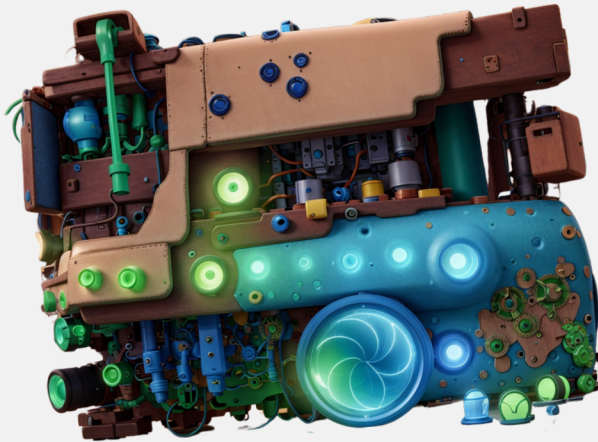


“Yes! Yes! YES!” the clab yelled with excitement. Though he wasn’t quite sure what to do with the rainbow, yet...

Using Captain Bot’s AI powers –



– the project was brought to life!

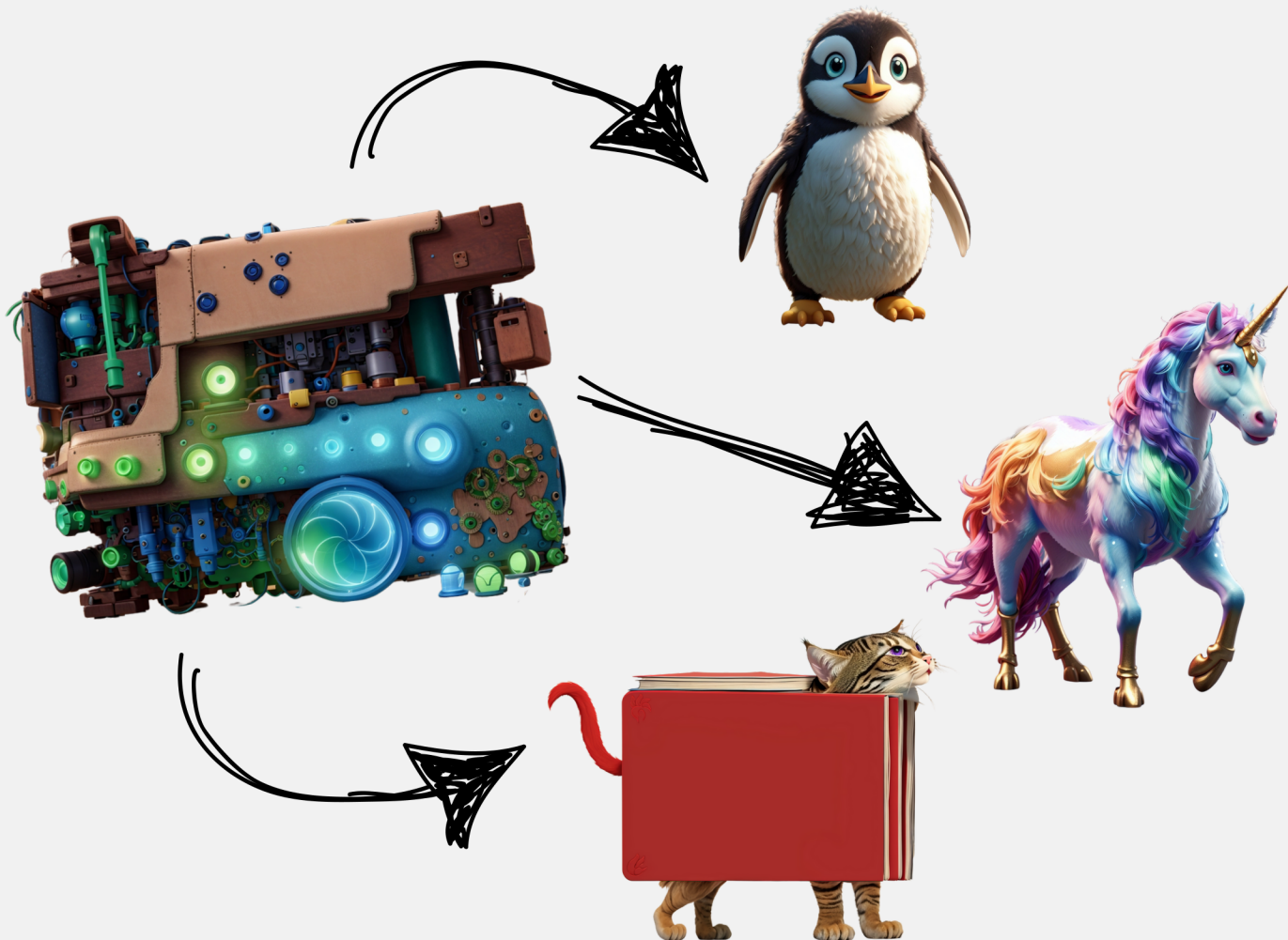


“Thank you so much, Captain Bot!” the clab exclaimed, gathering the inventions. He teleported back to the sinkhole to get started on solving this mystery.



Running the Danger Scanner over the pasta,  
it detected a sharp pasta-twirling fork!





After some calculations, the machine discovered that the fork could only belong to three creatures: a forest penguin, a utopian unicorn, or a clabigrade.

In the Penguin Village, he asked the forest penguins if they knew anything about the pasta, but they just shook their heads.

Piles of pasta? We  
would never eat off the  
forest floor. How dirty!





Next, he went to Unicorn Utopia. The clab asked the unicorns if they knew anything about the pasta, but they just laughed.



Plain pasta? We wouldn't eat anything that wasn't rainbow-colored, of course!





The clab had only one  
more suspect to go:



the clabigrade.

Using the Daring-Zapper, the clab sent out a signal to find where the clabigrades might be living. He followed the signal to the edge of the sinkhole and soon bumped into one.



Hi, there! Do you know anything about the pasta piles that were recently found in Sinkhole 2023?



The clabigrade's eyes widened.



Um, no. Nothing at all. Not me. I didn't do anything. Pasta? What's that? Haha.

She quickly scurried away.

The clab thought she seemed familiar, so he sneakily followed behind her. She turned into an inventor's workshop and covered a large machine with a blanket.





The clab knocked on the door.

“Sorry to bother you again.  
You remind me of one of Q’s  
ideas...did he...?”



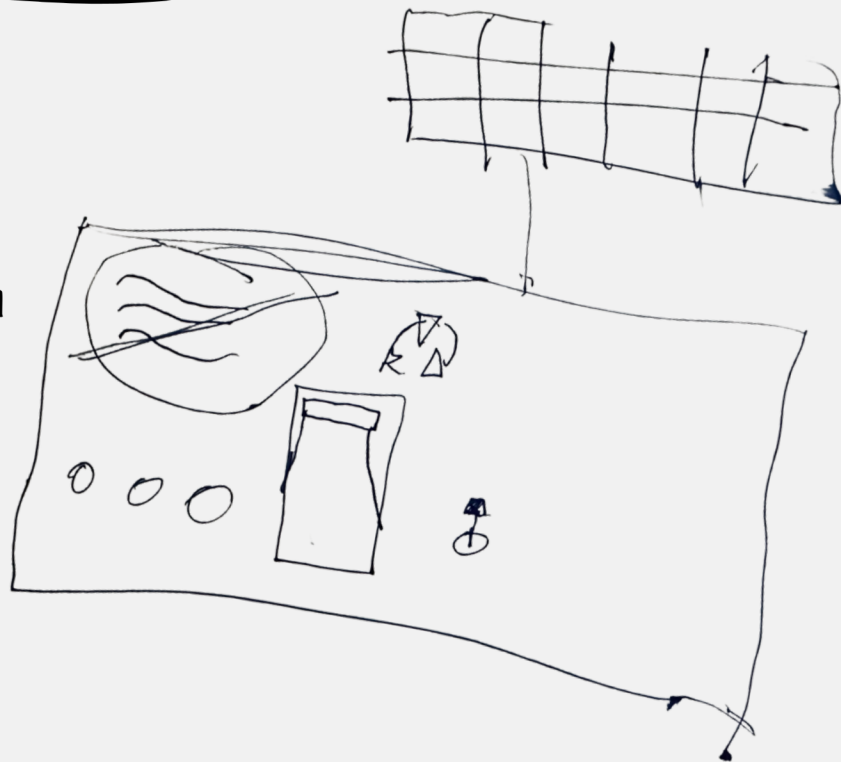
“Ok, fine! It was me! I did it! I caused the pasta disaster. I’m so sorry. Please don’t get me in trouble with Captain Bot! Oh, no! My life is ruined!” the clabigrade confessed in a rush. She began to cry.



The clab patted her shoulder. “Don’t cry! I don’t want to get you in trouble. What happened?”

I am one of Q's animal discoveries. Captain Bot brought me to life to help her do some science experiments that Q designed. I was working on a machine that can smell anything, but it completely malfunctioned! Once it detected my plate of pasta, it cloned the noodles. Oh, what a mess!

*It looks like a plant and has a garbage symbol on it. It is eco-generated and solar powered.*



“Wow, it sounds like you are a talented engineer! Though, the machine probably does need a safety switch,” the clab said encouragingly.





The clab and the clabigrade said  
goodbye and promised to stay in touch.



The clab had finally solved  
the pasta mystery!



But there was one last problem...



His stomach gurgled loudly. He was pretty hungry. Maybe Captain Bot really had been on to something after all...

I can't eat all of this by myself, he thought. Just then, he remembered the rainbow in his pocket.



He could mix it in with the pasta  
to make it rainbow-colored!



The clab smiled super wide. He knew just who to share this delicious pasta with.



**THE END**

# DID YOU KNOW?!

This actually happened in New Jersey in April 2023! Someone found hundreds of pounds of pasta in the forest off the side of the road! The clab solved it with some of Q's inventions, but how would YOU go about solving this mystery? The case is still open! REALLY!



→ Watch the prompt to learn more about this mystery and solve it for yourself.

# Q's Creative Journey

DAY 1



DAY 2



DAY 3



DAY 4



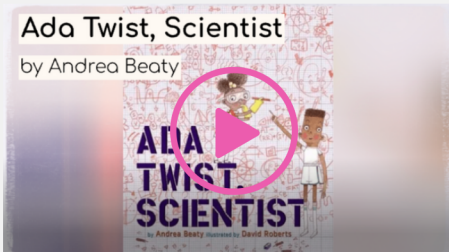
DAY 5



DAY 6



DAY 7



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## **ABOUT The GIANT Room**

The GIANT Room is a creative STEM hub for kids with GIANT dreams who dare to act on them. We help kids to use STEM as a tool for self expression, creativity, and collaboration.

The GIANT Room offers after school programs, camps, family events, specialized co-design workshops with industry designers, and online creative bootcamp membership. Kids may join our programs online, in-person at our studio, or off-site at one of our partner locations in museums and schools.

Founded by two women with PhDs in education and backgrounds in science and engineering, we dream of a world where every child has the confidence to voice their ideas, have access to mentors and resources they need to build prototypes of their ideas, and the opportunity to share those ideas with their community... just like the GIANT kids who published their collaborative, creative work in this beautiful storybook to be shared with millions of families around the world.

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