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Twist Off to ROBOFORCE



TIME CONTEST
See page 18

LOOK OUT!!
THOSE TIME TWISTERS ARE AFTER THE ROBO DISKS AGAIN!!



new
Possibilities

ALIENS Must



A small group of robo runners and their robots live on the hidden planet of Roboton in a far off galaxy. In their secret camp, this brave team trains to defend the universe from aliens. This hard-working team also helps other explorers colonize the uncharted reaches of space. Powered by the secret, powerful robo disks, these supercharged robots are the guardians of the galaxies.

Robo Disk - the secret power source



Sensitive tail can detect even the faintest alien radio waves.

#2152 ROBO RAPTOR

It's muzzle sniffs out any atmosphere for aliens and special grabber claws can hold on to anything. The Raptor's moving arms, tail, and head allow this mobile robot to explore every inch of a planet.

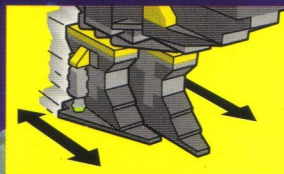


ROGER THAT, I'M ON MY WAY!

Hologram

I THINK I SMELL A PLUTON PEPPERONI PIZZA SOMEWHERE!

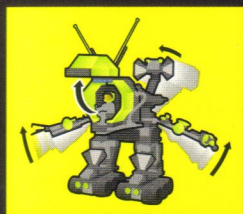
Move feet back and forth to make this raptor run!



Secret Robo Disk compartment on back of leg.

RoboMaster motors along on 12 massive wheels

Reckon with **ROBOFORCE**



For quick trips, his tail launches a solar-powered ship into space.

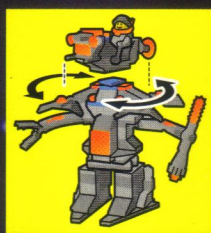
#2154 ROBO MASTER

Nothing gets past Robo Master with its quick grabber claw and laser. Holograms on its tail and feet track messages throughout a galaxy.

CHIP NEBULA

Chip is now the universe's best robo runner. What's that? A robo runner is a certified robot operator. Mercury is one of Chip's favorite places in space because he can see two sunrises and sunsets each day on that small planet.

Favorite TV show: Third Rock from the Sun
Favorite Football Team: Toronto Robo Raptors



#2151 ROBO RAIDER

It walks, it grabs. And when it's not mining for minerals with its high-powered drill, Robo Raider patrols the planets. For quick getaways, Robo Raider's head transforms into a mini space plane!

THE SATELLITE TAIL IS PICKING UP ALIEN MESSAGES. GO CHECK IT OUT, CHIP!

YEE-HAA! I GOT ME THIS HERE ROBO DISK!

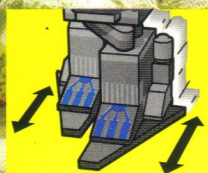


CHECK MY SECRET COMPARTMENT FOR ROBO DISKS!

Secret Robo Disk compartment.

The Robo drill digs out hiding aliens.

Feet move back and forth!



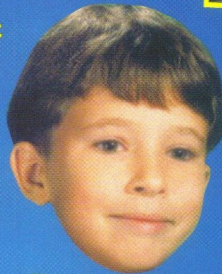
Check out #2153 Robo Stalker on page 10!





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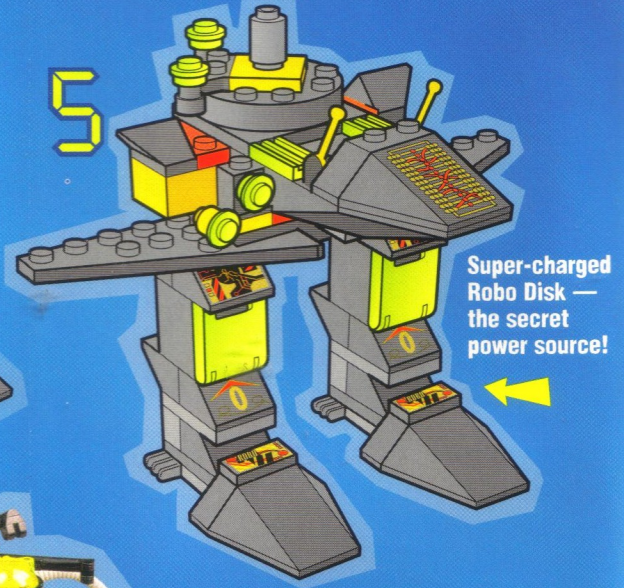
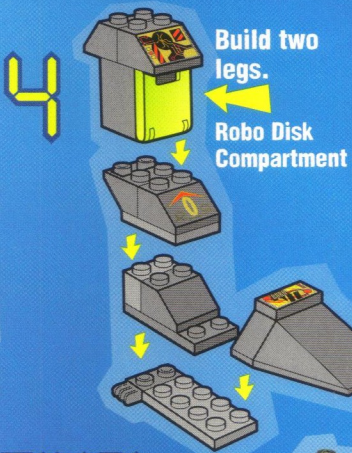
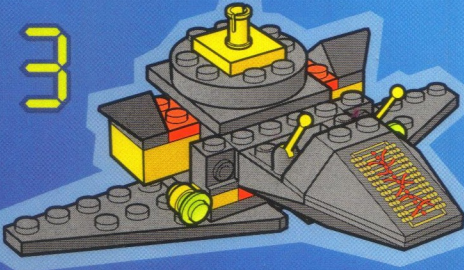
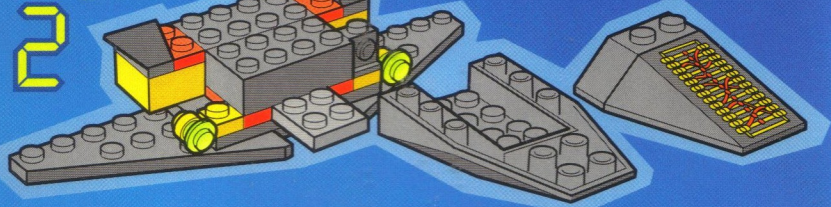
STEVEN EISEN

Robo Spy



MECH 2

or CREATE YOUR OWN super-charged robot to join the New RoboForce team! Check out the MECH 2 sent to us from Club Member Steven Eisen, age 8, of Florida — his awesome robot inspired our model designers to create the Robo Spy! (For more cool robots, check out Maniac Madness on pp. 12-13.)



6a.



6b.



6c.

FINAL

Attach the spy camera, put a robo runner behind the controls and you're ready for your first mission!



Use pieces from your LEGO collection to build the Robo Spy or you can find all the pieces you need in #2152 Robo Raptor.



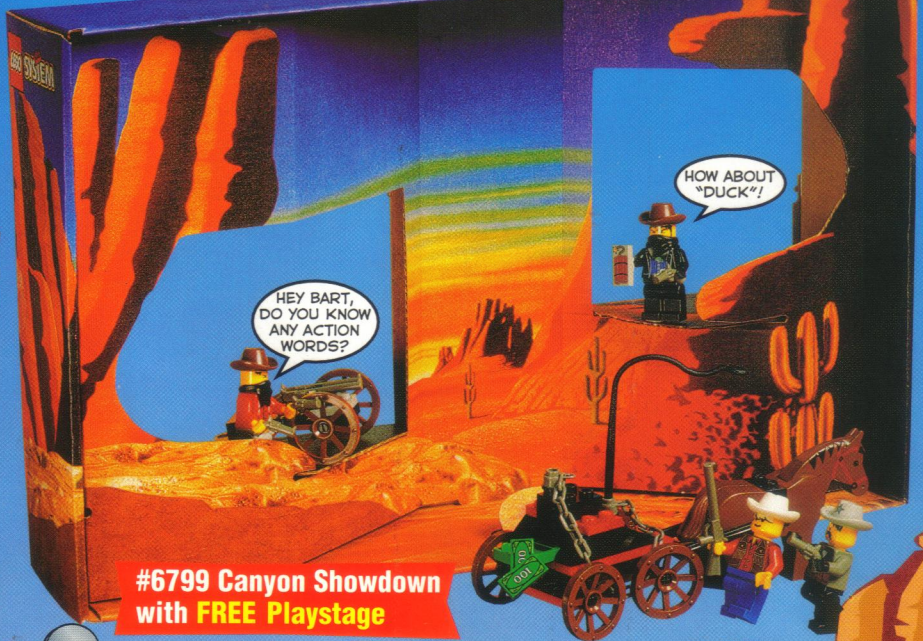
Act out Wild West Adventures on the Canyon Playstage

TWO COOL SETS AND A FREE PLAYSTAGE!



Where's the perfect place to act out awesome Wild West Adventures — on the FREE stage that comes with Canyon Showdown! First, build a horse-drawn wagon to carry the safe, guarded by Sheriff West and his deputy. But watch out for Black Bart and Flatfoot Thompson! They're hiding in the rocks on the hill with the weapons cart you just built — waiting for just the right moment to steal the safe with all the money.

Next, set up your models on the stage and act out some awesome Wild West action! To help get you started, use the word lists provided to fill in the blanks in the story below: write in an action, description, place, object or name — even think up your own words. Try not to read the story before your fill in the blanks. When you finish, act out the story on the play stage. Remember, the wackier the story, the better.



#6799 Canyon Showdown with FREE Playstage

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!



Flatfoot Thompson and Black Bart decided to steal the _____ (object) from the stagecoach. The two outlaws _____ (action) behind the large, _____ (description) _____ (object) and waited for the stage.

When the stage rolled through the canyon, the outlaws were surprised to see _____ (name) driving the team. Then he fired his _____ (object) in the air. "Give us all your loot before I get really _____ (description)," he said. The driver gave Flatfoot the money and the bandits _____ (action) to their hideout.

Sheriff West _____ (action) to the canyon and found the burgled stage. He asked _____ (name) to saddle up and help him round up the bad guys. The good guys trailed the outlaws to an old _____ (description) cabin.

One of the bandits _____ (action) out the door, and the Sheriff threw his _____ (object) around him. Flatfoot was still inside so the Sheriff _____ (action) through the window and found Flatfoot hiding in _____ (place). "You have two choices, Flatfoot," the Sheriff told the outlaw. "You can go to _____ (place) and learn how to be good or I'll throw you in _____ (place)."

Flatfoot replied, "No, don't send me there. I'll be good."

The Sheriff _____ (action) back to town with the outlaws, and he said, "I'm ready for a vacation.

While I'm gone, deputy _____ (name) is in charge."



Action

bounced
skipped
laughed
sniffed
crawled
flapped

cartwheeled
tripped
flipped
tumbled
swam
rolled

Description

moldy
sticky
purple
smelly
gross
fuzzy



Place

jail
Aquazone
ballet class
the principal's office
the Canyon
the bathroom

Object

pair of underwear
toad
stick of dynamite
stuffed cow
horse
chicken sandwich

Name

Diver Dan
Mom
Bill Clinton
(Basketball player)
(Your name)





DISCOVER THE TWISTED WORLD OF THE TIME TWISTERS

The Time Twisters travel through time trying to change history. They also steal treasures throughout time to help power their twisted time machines. So before blaming your brother for taking your best baseball cards, look for signs of the Time Twisters!

#6497 Twisted Time Train

All the Time Twisters helped create this wacky time train. Each one took their favorite LEGO playtheme pieces, mixed them together, and, POOF, out came this spooky-looking vehicle.



THIS TRAIN RUNS ON TIME WITH A SKELETON CREW!



WATCH THE GHOST GO UP AND DOWN, THE WINGS FLAP AND THE SKELETON AND THE SMOKE STACK SPIN AS YOU GO ACROSS THE FLOOR!

TO TAKE A TIME TRIP, JUST FILL THE POWER DRUM WITH TREASURES AND WATCH IT WHIRL!

PROPELLER TURNS!

I'M YOUR TIME-TRAVELING GHOST HOST WITH THE MOST!



ROLL SHIP ACROSS THE FLOOR AND SEE WHO POPS UP!

#6496 Whirling Time Warper

This is Professor Millennium's favorite time flier. He loves to twist, whirl, and roll through time.

MEET THE TIME TWISTERS

Meet the terrible Twister Twins, Tony Twister and Professor Millennium. Tony's the one with the mustache. They created their first time machine when they were 8. The twins used it at dinner time. They would skip eating their meatloaf and broccoli and go right to dessert.

Favorite game: Twister
Favorite part of sports: Timeouts

Contest CLUE

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THIS OUTFIT IS "FRIGHTENING"!

Professor Millennium



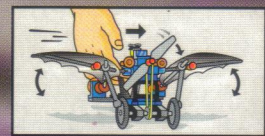
Tony Twister

Solve the Twisted Time Code

#6499 Time Tunnelator with FREE Time Machine



HEY, KIDS!
HELP ME
CRACK THIS
TIME CODE!



Wings flap & propeller spins as you roll the Time Tunnelator across the floor!

use a mirror to see the answer

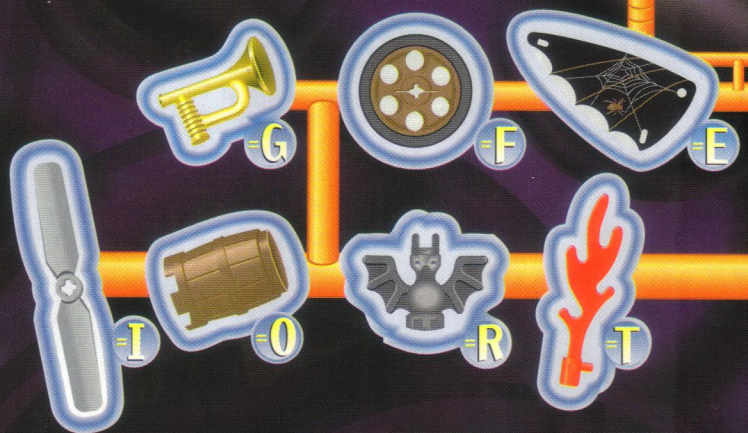
Viewer: We're Going to Popo!ce!



Time Code

The *Time Twisters* are off to create mischief in our feature story on the next page. Mr. Twister leads the pack. He spun the prop on the Time Tunnelator, hopped in, and started rolling across the floor to get the bat wings flapping. To see where he and the other Time Twisters are going, use the picture code made up of cool, special pieces from the Time Tunnelator.

(Turn the page side ways to see the answer.)

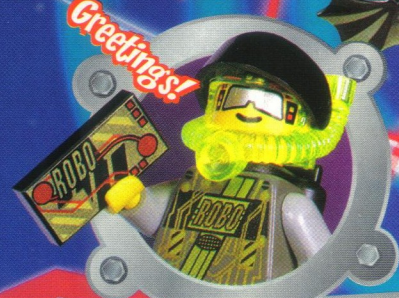


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Robo Force

VS.

the Time Twisters



SUBJECT: TWISTER VISITS VENUS

ROBO-LOG 907-0807

I shouted back to him, "Not if I have anything to say about it. I want you out of my galaxy, Twister!" So I launched a few laser warning blasts from #2154 Robo Master into the atmosphere. The time machine twisted into space, but I knew that we hadn't seen the last of Tony Twister.

Just then, an emergency hologram appeared from Robo Raptor. They needed help—and fast! Tony Twister was on Venus. I launched my space plane with Robo Master's tail and headed toward Venus.

With its muzzle filter, Robo Raptor was analyzing Venus's unfriendly atmosphere. Between the heat and pressure, (which is like being 3,000 feet under water), spacecraft last about two hours before vaporizing. Unless you're a super strong robot! According to Robo Raptor, Twister couldn't stand the 900 degree heat and headed toward Mars.

SUBJECT: TIME TWISTERS INVADE

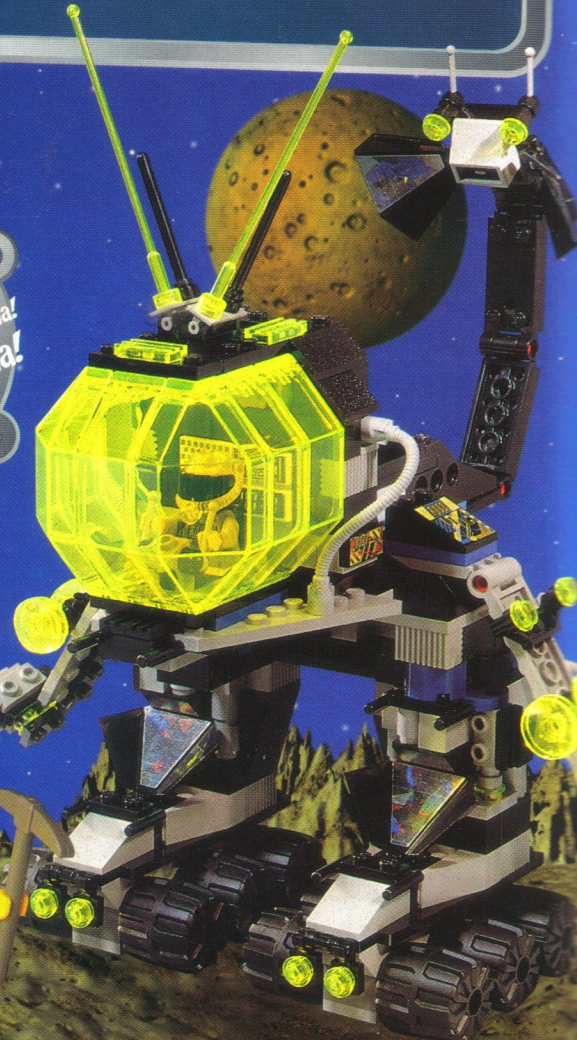
ROBO-LOG 907-0807

Greetings! My name is Chip Nebula. I'm a robot runner. There are millions of galaxies in the universe, and it's our job to help colonize them and protect them from aliens. My RoboForce team was working a small solar system in the Milky Way Galaxy with our four 'bots: Robo Raider, Robo Raptor, Robo Stalker, and Robo Master.

I flew my space plane on to a large moon. Robo Master was there helping some earthlings from the Australian Outback build a space colony. Suddenly there was a blinding light. Then this weird vehicle, looking like a huge bat, emerged. "This is Tony Twister of the Time Twisters. Surrender your robot and its robo disks. For I will reprogram your robot and rule the galaxy."



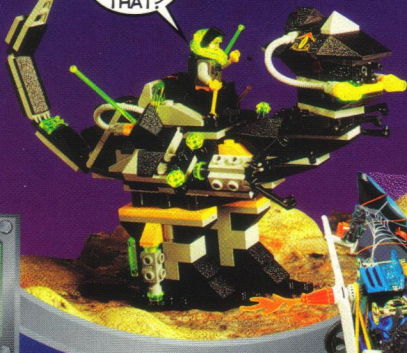
I will reprogram your robot and rule the galaxy. Ha! Ha! Ha!



HEY ROBOMASTER, WE NEED A ROBOT LIKE YOU IN THE OUTBACK!

Did you know that Saturn is mostly made of hydrogen and helium gases.

HEY,
WHAT'S
THAT?



ROBO RAPTOR
SENSES SOME
TROUBLE...
TWISTER IS ON
VENUS!

IT'S
TWISTER
BABY!



NICE
DRILLING,
ROBO RAIDER.



THAT
HOLE SHOULD
SLOW TWISTER
DOWN!



SUBJECT: STALKED ON SATURN

I guessed that Twister was heading toward Saturn. I fired up the warp drive and as I neared Saturn, I saw Robo Stalker skating on Saturn's rings. They are made of lumps of ice and space dust, ranging in size from sugar grains to train cars. Saturn is made mostly out of hydrogen and helium gases. If you could put it in a gigantic ocean, it would float.

Robo Stalker is our team's master builder. While building an alien trap in the rings, his chest's heat sensor picked up an alien presence. He rolled over to investigate and came face-to-face with Twister on his time machine. Before Robo Stalker could spring his trap, the time machine dematerialized. But Twister left us a message: "We're warping out of here, but we'll be back for those disks someday."

I laughed and said to myself, "And when you do, Twister, the RoboForce team will be waiting."

SUBJECT: TWISTER RAIDS MARS

I turned around and cruised to Mars, the red planet. Despite signs of life discovered in the late 20th century, we still haven't found any Martians. But it does have a valley called Valles Marineris that is more than 3,000 miles long. It is so long that one end is in daylight while it's night at the other end. Mars also has the largest volcano in the solar system. Olympus Mons is 15 miles tall, three times higher than Mt. Everest on Earth.

I found Robo Raider, our mining expert, in the asteroid belt between Mars and Jupiter. With his drill, Robo Raider was mining metals for Earth's new colony. And he was hopping mad. Tony Twister had tried to robonap him. Robo Raider cut a hole in the bat craft and almost grabbed Twister, but the time machine vanished. Twister was lucky. Robo Raider's the fastest drill in the universe. I've seen him dig out aliens hiding underground like a dog after a bone.

QUICK,
GET HIM ROBO
STALKER!



MR. TWISTER IS
DEMATERIALIZING



I'LL BE
BACK!



The sun is 109 times larger than Earth!

FREE
Bonus
"Full-out"
Poster

#2153

ROBO STALKER



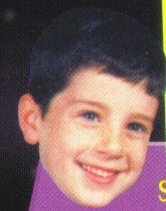
Lift his ears, put a couple of robo disks in the secret compartments and he'll be your friend forever.



SOMETIMES THE BIG GUY LOSES HIS HEAD. BUT DON'T WORRY. IT'S JUST A SLICK SPACE CRUISER.

SECRET ROBO DISK COMPARTMENT

CLUB MEMBER REVIEW



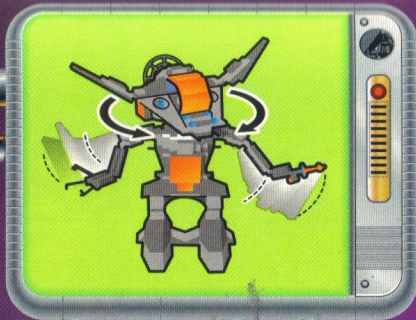
Sam Levin, age 8, of Pennsylvania

ROBO STALKER IS ROBO COOL

With its rolling wheels and flying head, this gigantic guardian of the galaxy gets a big 9 on Sam's LEGO scale of 1 to 10

"I liked the flying head the most. The robot's ears flap up and down to make the head fly. I made sure it had lasers to make it really cool."

Sam put the robo disks in the secret compartments to power up the robot. He also used the screen on the robot's chest to help track the cruising space plane.



**HEAD SWIVELS AND ARMS
ARE SUPER FLEXIBLE!**

**HE CAN DRILL RIGHT
THROUGH SOLID ROCK.**



**OPEN DOOR IN ROBOT'S
BACK TO REVEAL SECRET
CONTROL CENTER!**

**WE WANT YOU
ON THE
ROBOFORCE
TEAM!**



**THIS ROBOT CAN REALLY ROLL.
WITH FOUR SETS OF WHEELS,
HE CAN CRUISE ACROSS
PLANETS IN MICROMINUTES.**



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Remember to write your name, address, age and model name on the back of each photograph. Pictures will not be returned, so take an extra photo for yourself!

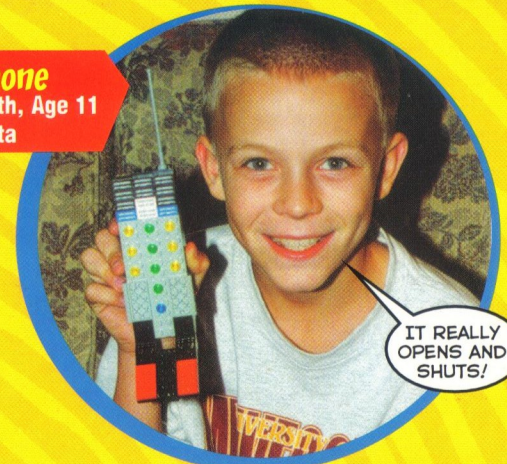
Turbo Thrust Dragster

Jonathan Garcia, Age 11
 California



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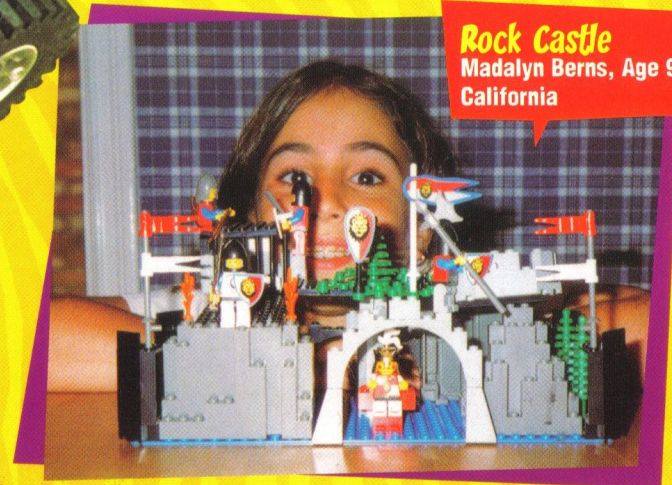
Joey Roith, Age 11
 Minnesota



IT REALLY OPENS AND SHUTS!

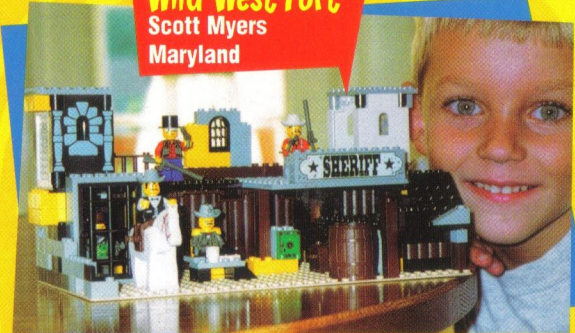
Rock Castle

Madalyn Berns, Age 9
 California



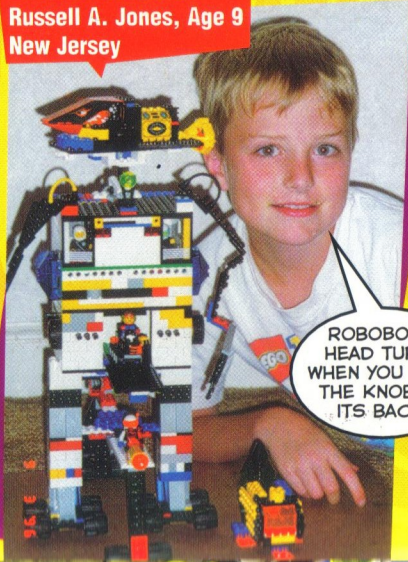
Wild West Fort

Scott Myers
 Maryland



LEGO RoboBot

Russell A. Jones, Age 9
 New Jersey



ROBOBOT'S HEAD TURNS WHEN YOU TURN THE KNOB ON ITS BACK.

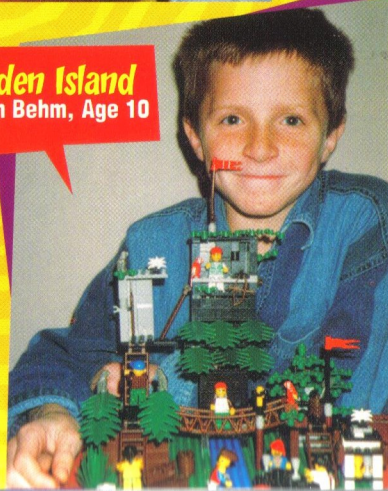
WITH THIS TRUCK, I CAN DIG UP TREASURES DOWN UNDER!



Contest CLUE

Hidden Island

Adam Behm, Age 10
 Ohio



Alamo

Nathan Hardt, Age 14
 Washington



WE'VE GOT A COOL CATAPULT AND SECRET DYNAMITE SHOOT AND GREAT CURTAINS!

OH NO! IT'S CURTAINS FOR US!

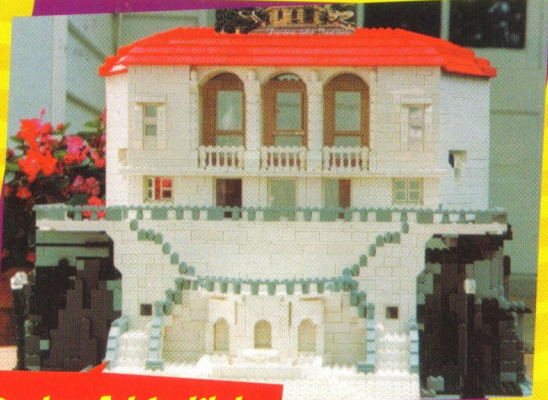
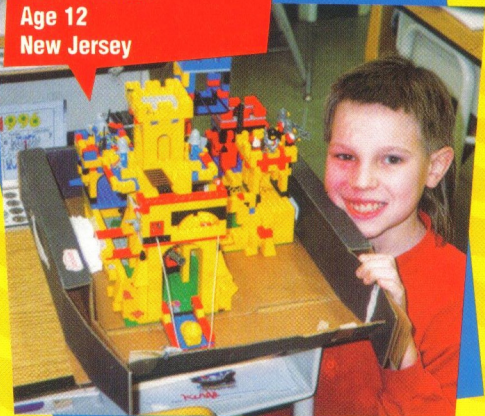


Ultra Starship
Daniel Cochran, Age 9
New Jersey



Superior Command Droid
Kip Rand, Age 9 1/2,
Idaho

Drawbridge Castle
Steven Burns
Age 12
New Jersey



Dayton Art Institute
Adam Demeter, Age 18, Ohio

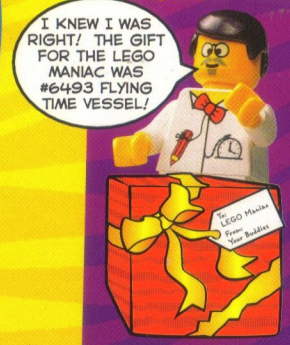
Convertible
Joseph Cafferkey, Age 8
Virginia



Grand Piano
Jarret & Justin Lafleur
Ages 12 & 9
Rhode Island

Guess the Gift Contest Winners

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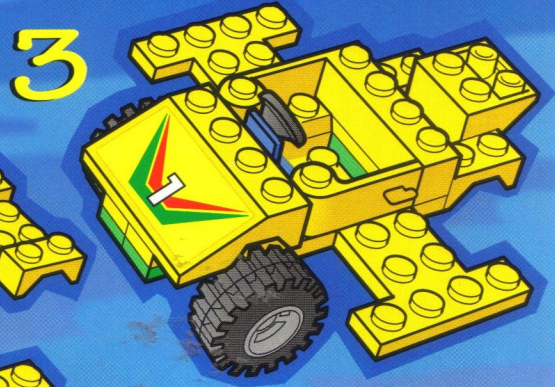
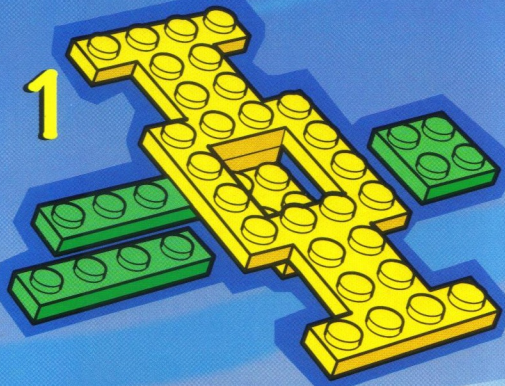
- James Weeks, New Jersey
- Mun-Kuen Choy, New York
- Trent Despain, Oregon
- Andrew Bowe, Connecticut
- Jonathan Smith, Illinois
- Tripp Prevatte, North Carolina
- Kyle Miller, Texas
- Colin Miner
- Ted Seltman, Indiana
- Seth Logan, California



YOU CAN BUILD THIS...



CREATE YOUR OWN DESERT DUSTER AND LIGHTNING ROD!



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Desert Duster

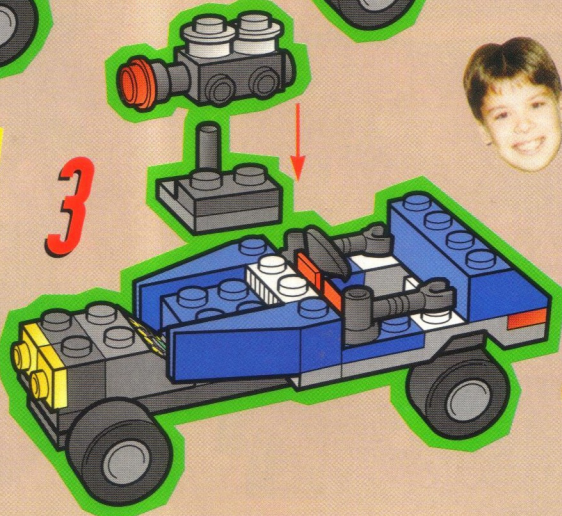
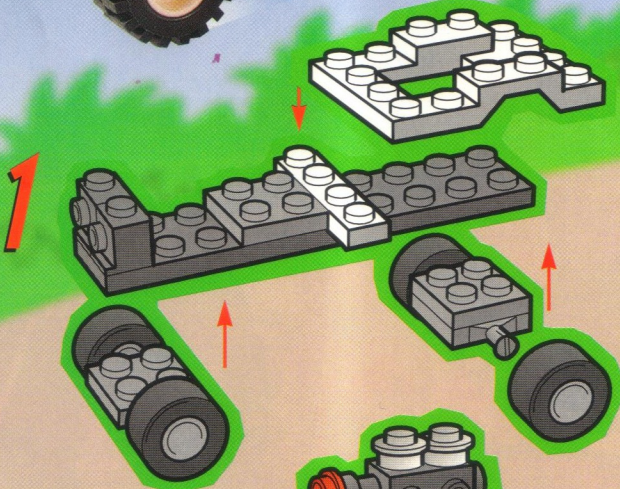
Inspired by Kyle Corcoran of Indiana



Use pieces from your LEGO collection to build these two models.

You'll find all the pieces you need to build the Desert Duster in #6550.

All the pieces you need for the Lightning Rod can be found in #6553.



Lightning Rod

Inspired by Patrick Kernaghan of Illinois



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real characters
on LEGO Island



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the Island's
favorite
friendly
constable



PEPPER
the skate-
boarding,
pizza
delivery
dude



BRICKSTER
the Island's
dastardly
mischief
maker



Race around the island.
Watch out for sharks!

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Bust the Brickster on LEGO Island

You were having a great time on LEGO Island: exploring, munching pizza, jamming around on a jet-ski, building your formula race car and blasting around the track.

You were minding your own business. But then you fed the Brickster. And now--thanks to you--he's out of jail. Total chaos. You let him out, you have to nab him. Grab those bricks he's hurling your way. Rebuild the helicopter. Got what it takes? You better, because the Island is disappearing in front of your eyes.

Adventures on LEGO Island: an action packed 3D game for Windows 95 Pentium computers. **The Excitement Is Building!**™

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Invasion of the Time Twisters

GET SET FOR THE ROBO WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE UNIVERSE. . .

. . . FEATURING ROBO MASTER VS. ROBO RAIDER!

PROFESSOR MILLENIUM, IT'S MR. TWISTER. THE ROBO DISKS ARE THE POWER SOURCE GO TO ROBOTON!

AT THEIR SECRET TRAINING CAMP, THE ROBOFORCE CREW IS PRACTICING THEIR PATENTED CLAW CLASP!

YOU CHEATED RAIDER. I SAW YOU SNEAK IN THAT EXTRA ROBO DISK FOR MORE POWER.

WHAT?!
I DON'T NEED TWO SUPER-CHARGED POWER DISKS TO BEAT YOU!

I CAN WHIP YOU WITH ONE CLAW BEHIND MY BACK!

PROFESSOR MILLENIUM JUST RECEIVED MR. TWISTER'S MESSAGE...NOW HE KNOWS THE POWER BEHIND THE ROBOFORCE -- THE SUPER-CHARGED ROBO DISKS!!

TIME TO DO A LITTLE TIME TWISTING TO THE PLANET ROBOTON, AND MAY THE ROBOFORCE BE WITH ME.

I'VE DISGUISED MYSELF AS A MEMBER OF ROBOFORCE TO STEAL SOME ROBO DISKS.

PROTECTING THE GALAXY IS TOUGH WORK!

SURE IS. LET'S GO GET A PLUTO PEPPERONI PIZZA AT ROBO JOE'S.

NOW NO ONE CAN STOP US, NOT EVEN THOSE BLASTED TIME CRUISERS!

STEALING ROBO DISKS IS EASIER THAN TAKING HYDRULATOR CRYSTALS FROM AN AQUANAUT!

HA! HA!

ZARK!

I'M THE NEW ROBO MECHANIC.

HEY! WHO ARE YOU?

IT'S TIME TO RECHARGE OL' 2152'S DISKS. WOULDN'T WANT ROBO RAIDER TO LOSE ANY STRENGTH FOR HIS NEXT ROBO WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

HOW'D HE GET TWO DISKS IN THERE, AND WHAT CHAMPIONSHIP?!

OOOPS! WHAT A SPACE TRIP!

LOOK! IT'S PROFESSOR MILLENIUM! AND HE'S GOT OUR ROBO DISKS!

CALL THE ROBO COPS! NO, BETTER CALL THE MANIAC!

GOTTA BUILD LIKE CRAZY!

THIS PIRATE CANNON IS READY TO BLAST OFF!

Contest CLUE

I'LL ADD THIS SUPER CLAW TO THE ROBO RAIDER...

...AND SEE IF I CAN CATCH THAT TWISTED TIME BANDIT!

PROFESSOR MILLENIUM HAS LOADED HIS WHIRLING TIME WARPERS WITH ROBO DISKS AND TAKES OFF FROM ROBOTON.

HEY GUYS! THANKS FOR THE DISKS!

I HAD A ROBO GOOD TIME!

HEY MANIAC, WE'VE STILL GOT THIS DISK TO PUT INTO ROBO RAIDER'S SECRET COMPARTMENT.

GREAT! POWER UP THIS RADICAL ROBOT AND WATCH ME GRAB A TIME TWISTER BY THE TAIL!

COMIC CONTINUED...



Fill in the letter of the LEGO time each LEGO character went to in the magazine.
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is in



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is in



Diver Dan
is in



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TECH TIPS

BRICK PHILLIPS HERE AT THE LEGO RACEWAY. IT LOOKS LIKE THE MANIAC, IN HIS #8216 TURBO 1, IS GOING TO WIN THAT BIG PRIZE. LET'S SEE HOW THE MANIAC IS DOING!



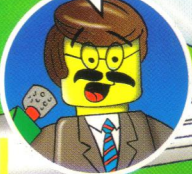
WE'RE GETTING A GREAT SHOT FROM YOUR HELMET CAM, MANIAC. LOOKS LIKE WE'RE SITTING RIGHT BEHIND THOSE BIG RUBBER TIRES!

HI BRICK. THIS IS A TOUGH COURSE, BUT MY TURBO 1 CAN HANDLE IT!

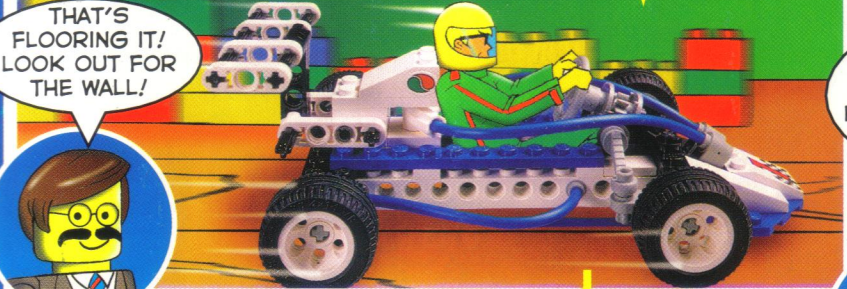


IT WAS PRETTY HAIRY. BUT DON'T WORRY, WE'RE THROUGH THE TUNNEL NOW. PLUS, THESE BIG TIRES CAN HANDLE EVEN THE TOUGHEST MANEUVERS!

THAT LOOKED HAIRY!



I'M GOING TO OPEN IT UP. WE'LL HIT 200 MPH DOWN THE STRAIGHTAWAY!



THAT'S FLOORING IT! LOOK OUT FOR THE WALL!



YOU REALLY "SNEAKED" PAST THOSE HIGH TOPS. AND YOU'RE HEADING FOR THE FINISH. WE WIN!!

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP, BRICK!



NO PROBLEMO. NOW TURBO 1'S RACK AND PINION STEERING WILL GUIDE ME THROUGH THESE TWISTING "S" TURNS!

I'M GETTING DIZZY!



FINISH

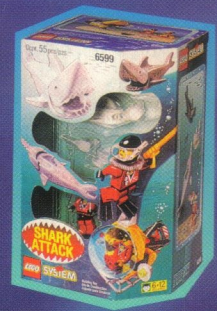
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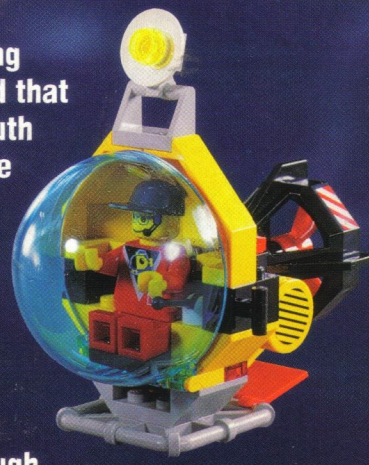


Diver Dan

was filming a basking shark. That's one of those huge gray sharks.

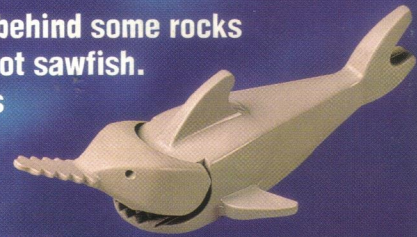


Well, Sandy wasn't looking where she was going, and that big ol' basker had its mouth wide open. Sandy and the sub almost got swallowed up. Basking sharks always swim with their mouths open to catch food. They swallow plankton and can filter over 250,000 gallons of water out through their gills in one hour!



Scuba Sandy

Next, a weird shadow floated over me. I hid behind some rocks because it was a 20 foot sawfish. They can be dangerous and all I had was my camera. A sawfish is similar to a shark, but it has a saw that is part of its nose. The sawfish spotted a school of fish and went after it, using its saw like a combination knife and fork. I was getting a close-up photo when I realized a great white shark was swimming right at me!



A great white can swallow a human whole, so I kicked away from this monster, but he glided after me. All I could do was try to scare it away! I let some air out of my mouthpiece and the bubbles floated around me, confusing the shark. The shark backed off and then came at me again. Sandy charged in between us with the sub, and the great white took off for an easier meal. I climbed into the sub, and we beat it out of there!



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