

SCREEN TIME

INTRODUCTION FOR THE GROWN-UP

HOW THIS PACK WORKS

This is an interactive adventure where you are the narrator. The story will inspire your child to create a made-up LEGO® creature (you can make one too!). As they build you'll find a few questions to ask them to start a conversation on the topic. Don't worry if some of the questions aren't relevant – they're just a guide to get you talking together.

BEFORE YOU START

Flick through the story yourself so you understand how it works.

GOT IT?

Then let's begin! Start reading from the next page.





Use any LEGO bricks
(No bricks? Draw instead!)



Find a quiet spot to sit together

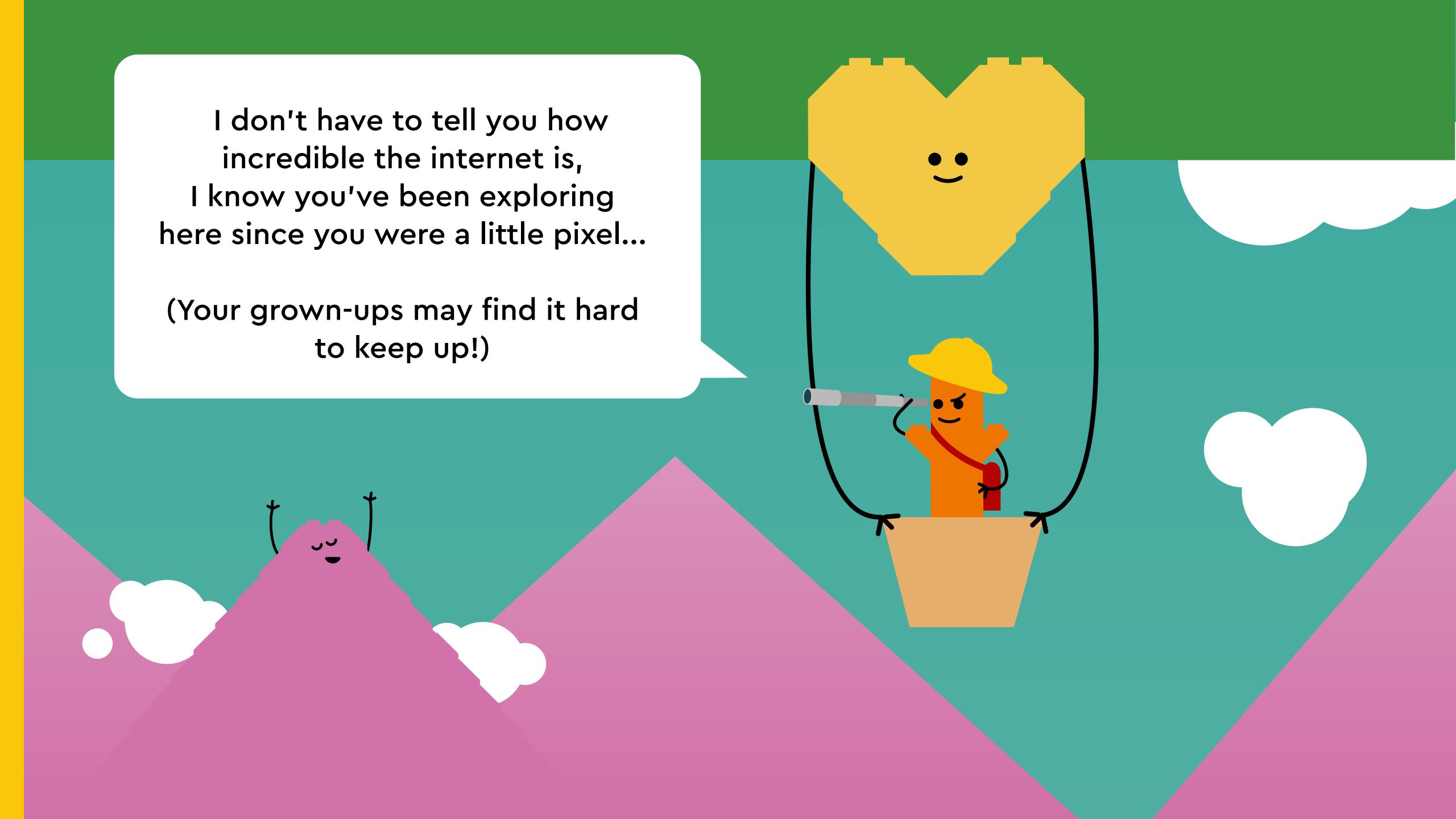


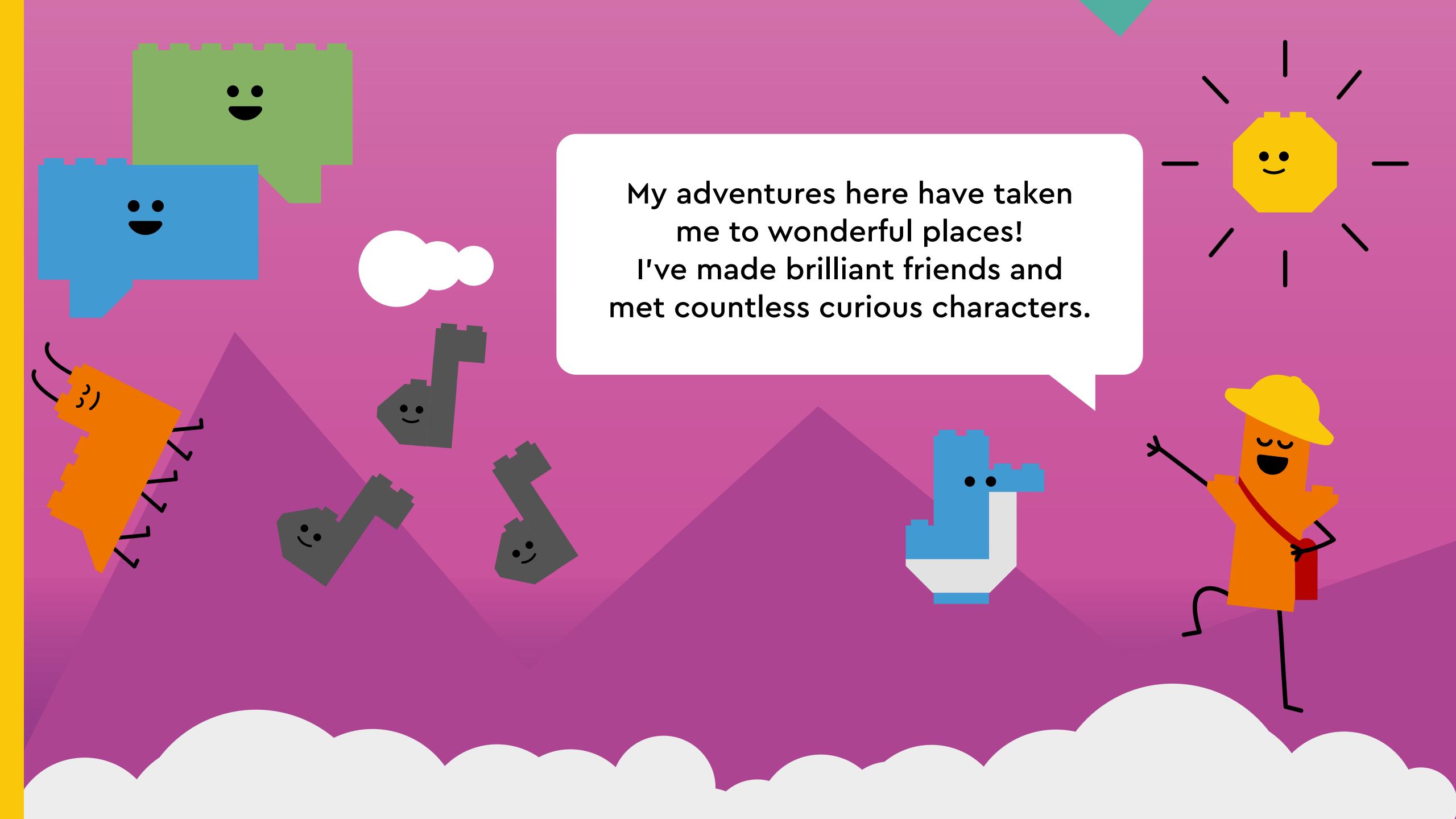
Hello!
My name is
Ida Switchditonandoff,
Digital Explorer and
Online Creaturologist,
do call me Ida.

Welcome to the online world, fellow explorer!

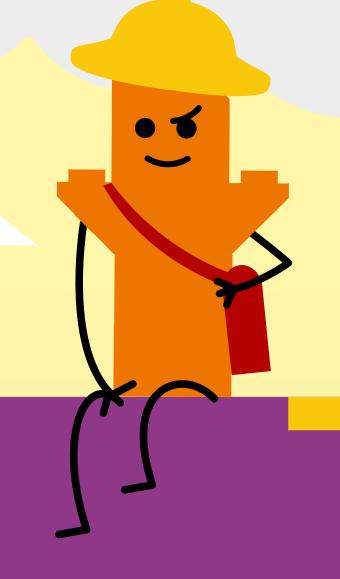
GROWN-UP:

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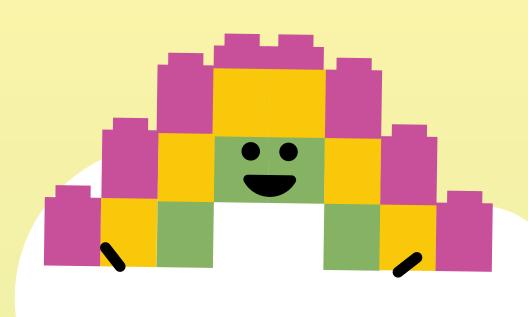


I've also discovered some things to beware of! I've been recording these unruly beasts in my book:



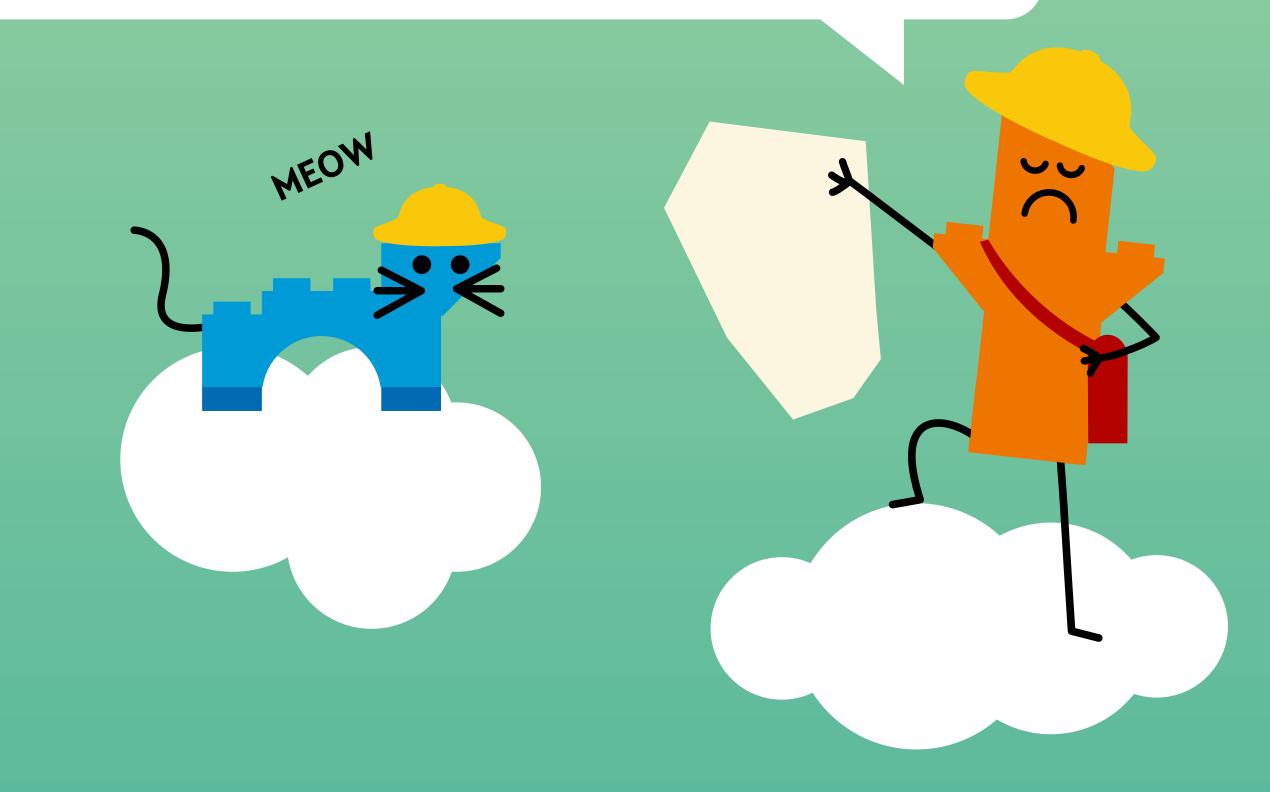
Wild Creatures of the Online World

How To Identify Them...
And Then Avoid Them!





Yesterday, when I was busy watching hilarious cat videos (vital research!) one of these naughty creatures snuck in, tore up my book and ATE all the pictures.



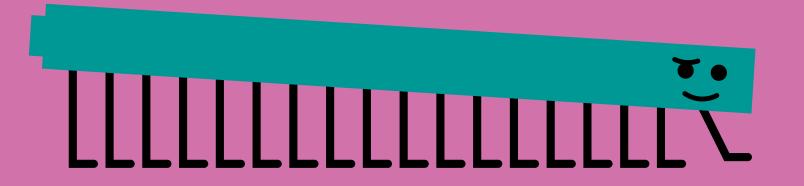




I hear you're an excellent LEGO builder with a first-rate imagination: just the skills I'm looking for!

I would like to recreate these funny little online creatures using LEGO bricks.

Will you help me with one?

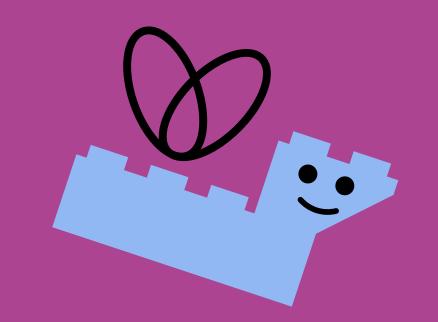


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I'll read you a description from my book and you can build along. You don't need any special LEGO bricks, just use what you have at home. Don't worry, I'll help every step of the way!

Right team, let's dive in!

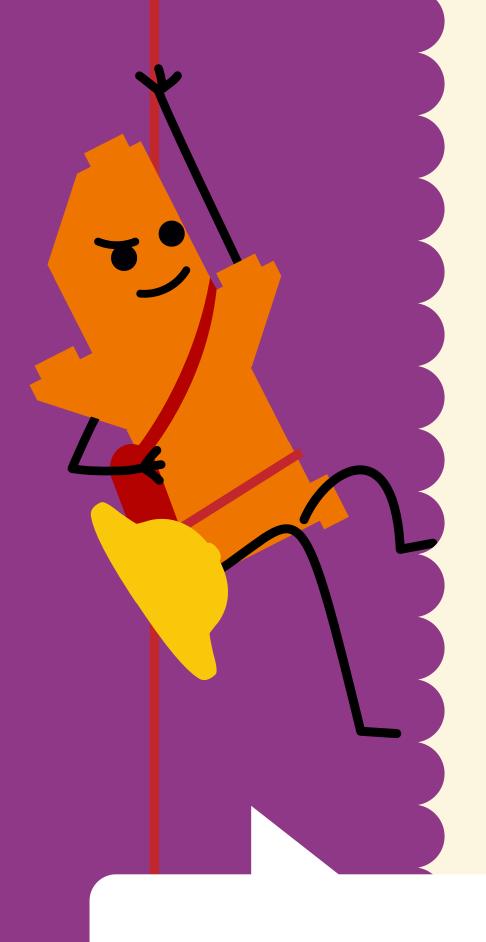
Make sure you're fully charged,
grab your LEGO bricks and let's go!



GROWN-UP:

Can you help me learn more about this young explorer's adventures in the online world? Look out for some questions to ask as we go along.





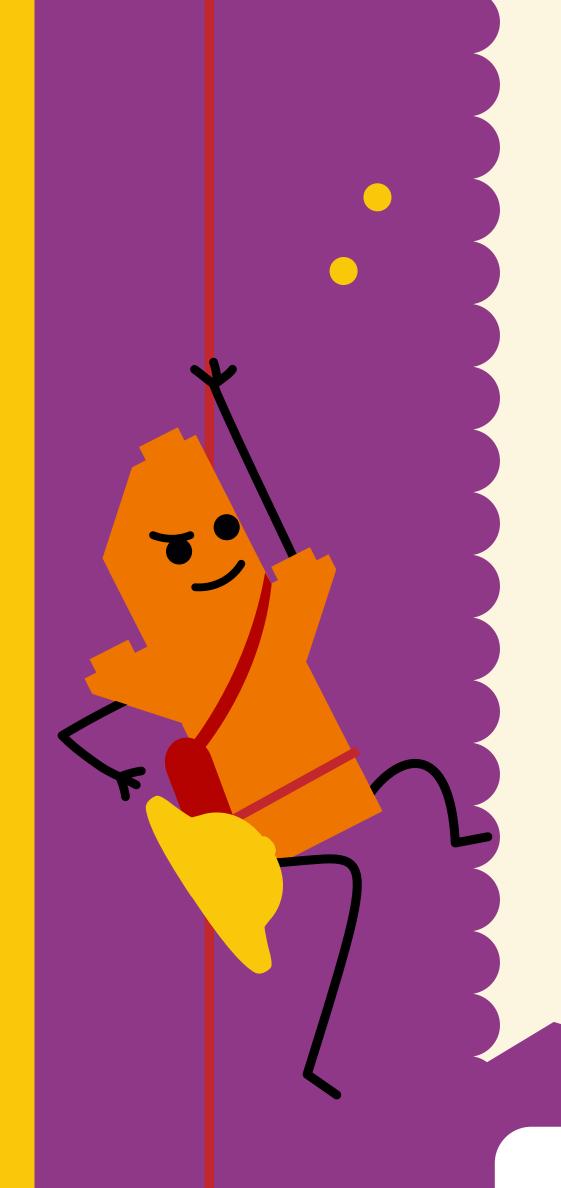
Got the picture?
Now let's read
about how
they look...

Always staring at screens, these creatures are usually found curled up in the dark attached to their beloved devices. Often multi-tasking, they love staying up late, playing games and scrolling through social media. All at the same time!

No wonder they sometimes get really tired and can't focus.

Naturally social creatures, Big-Eyed Scrollers often spend so much time online that they can become forgetful and lonely. If only these little hermits could learn to manage time with their devices! They would get a real boost from spending time with friends and family face-to-face as well as online.

Big-Eyed Scrollers all look a little different and can be any age. However, they all share particular features that make them easy to spot.



Physical characteristics

Big, wide eyes from staring at screens all day

Yawning mouth as they're so sleepy

As they're so busy online, they're usually sitting down

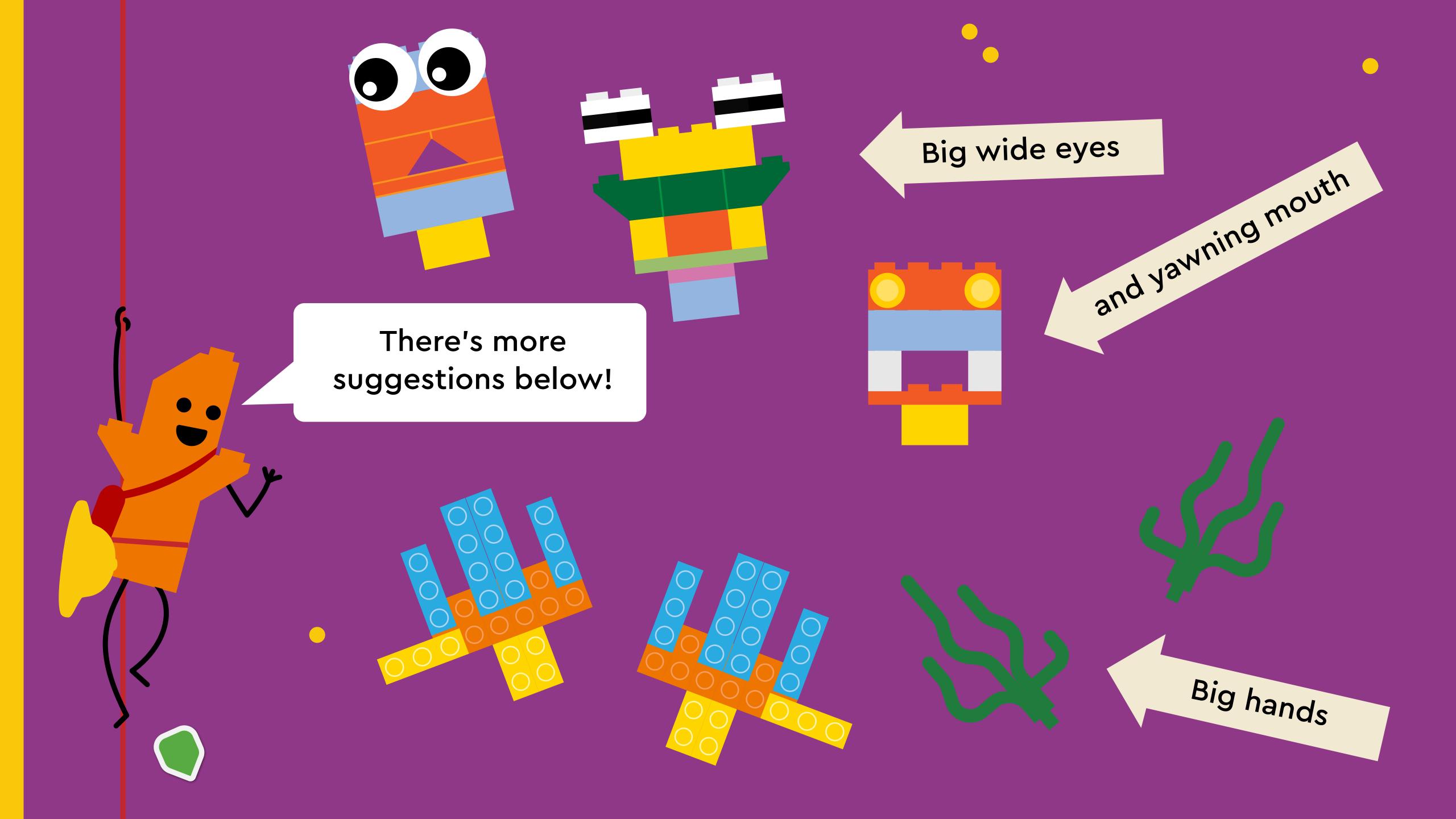
Big hands, perfect for holding all their devices!

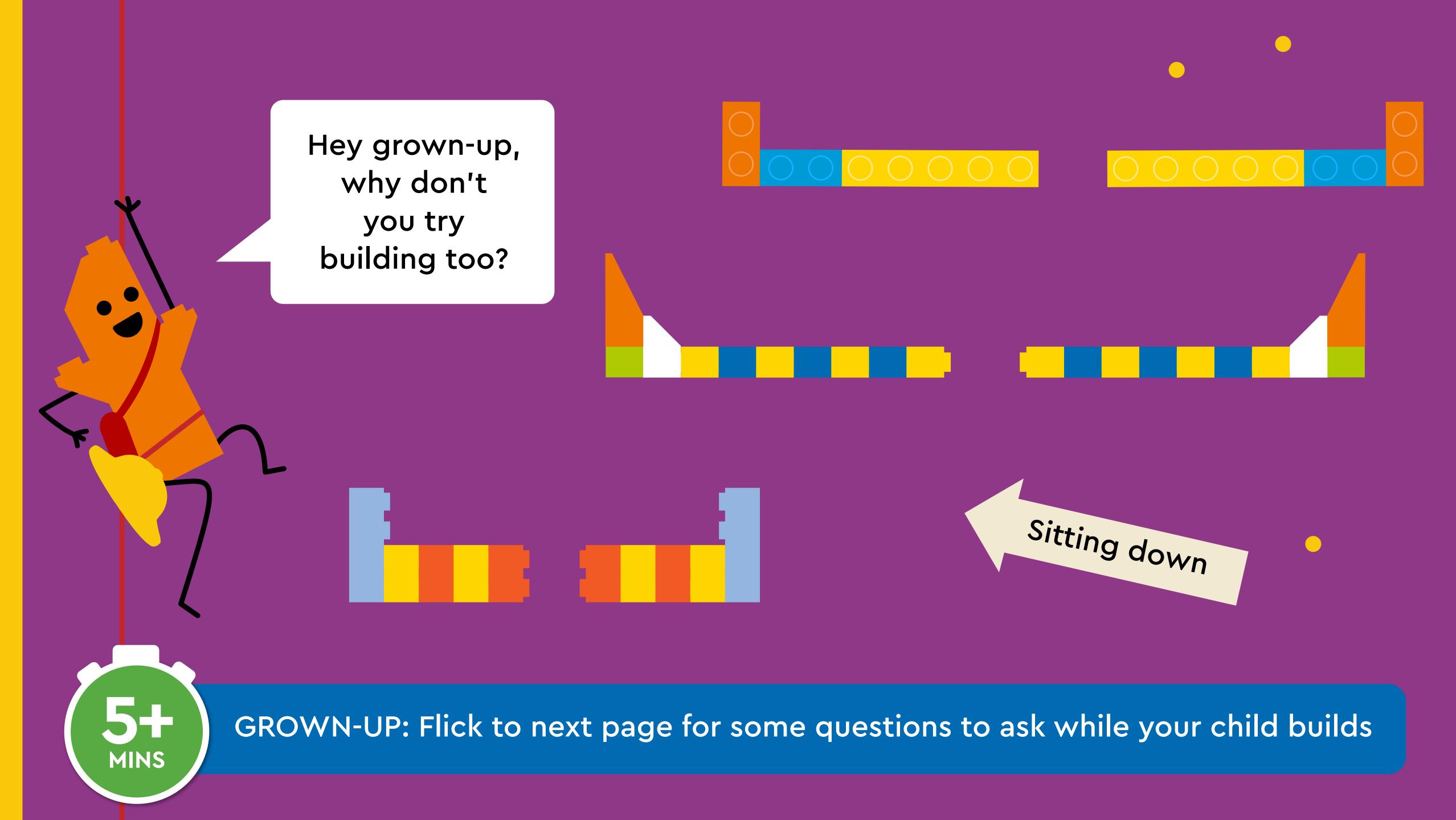
Illustration of typical Big-Eyed Scroller



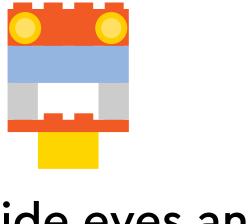
Time to start building your Big-Eyed Scroller.

There are some suggestions on the next pages if you get stuck.

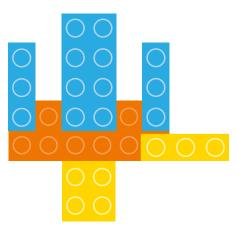




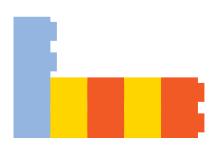
BUILD REMINDERS



Big wide eyes and yawning mouth



Big hands



Sitting down

Finished building and talking? Move to the next page.

GROWN-UP'S TASK

Below are some questions to ask your little explorer as they build.

What do you think counts as screen time?

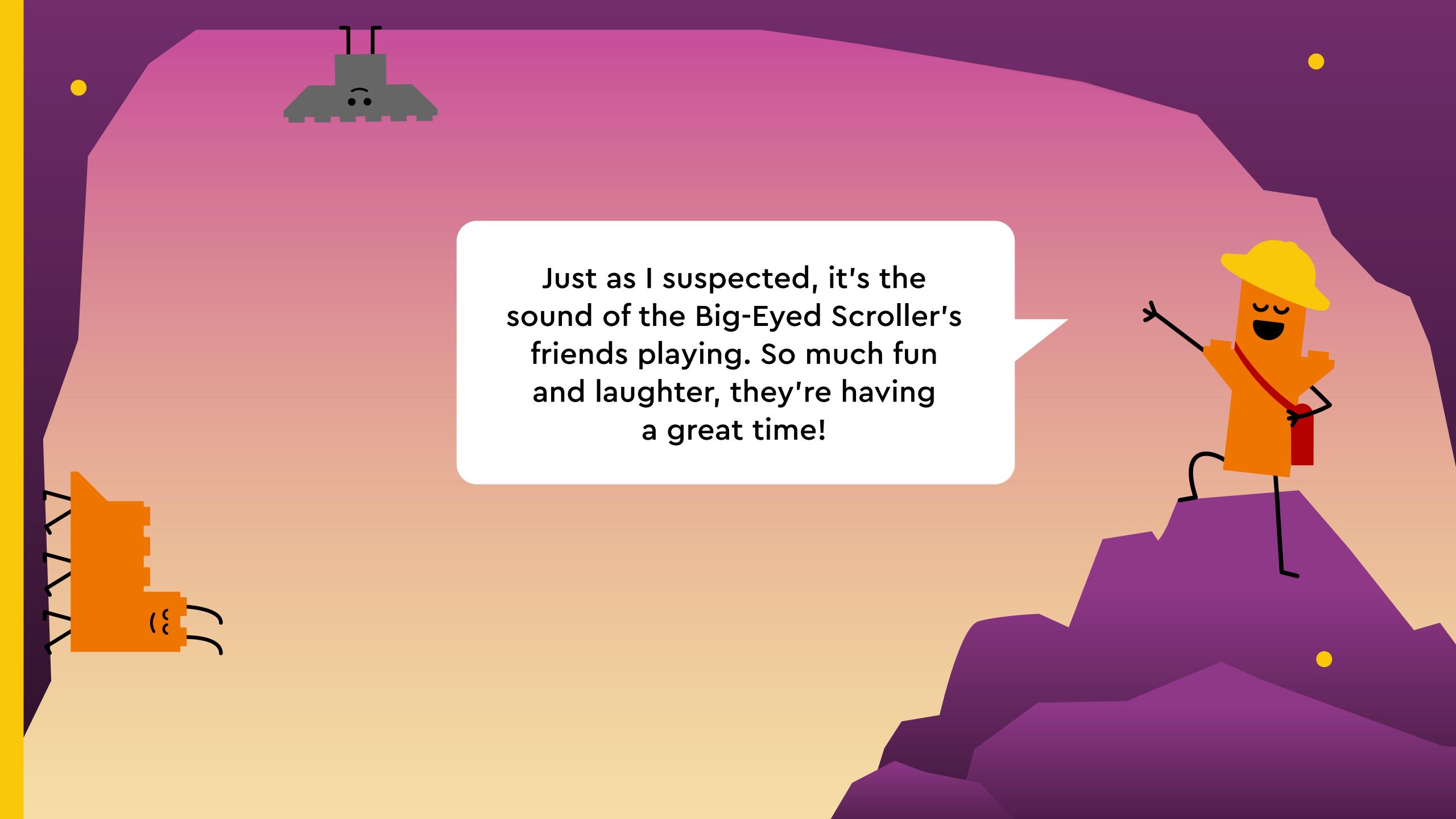
What's your favorite way to spend time online?

If you spend a long time on your phone or playing games, how does it make you feel?

Do you take regular breaks if you're playing games? If so, what do you do?

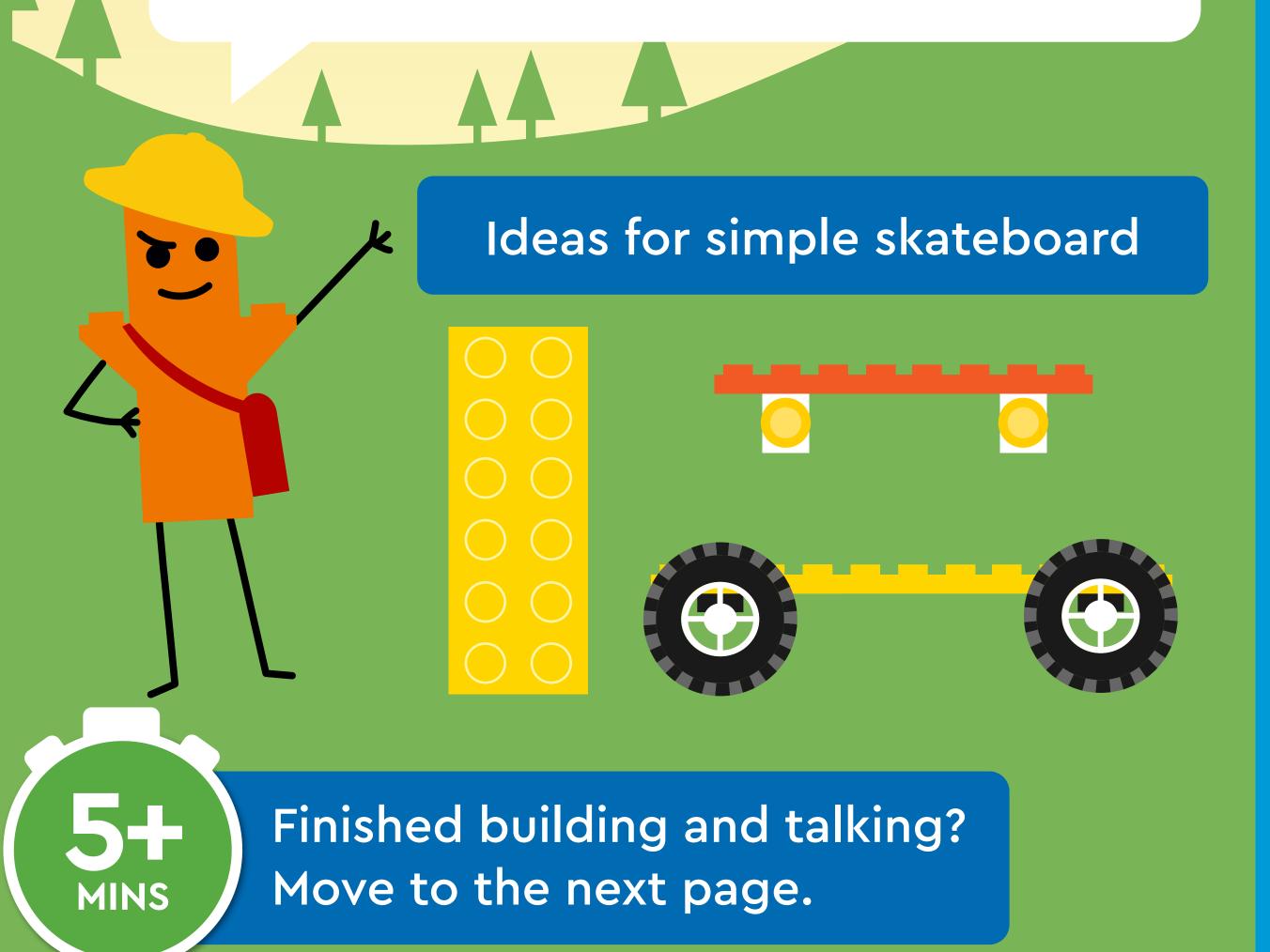
Why do you think it's important to avoid screen time before bed?





Would you quickly build a skateboard so that the Big-Eyed Scroller can get outside and play with their friends?

It's about time for a break!



GROWN-UP'S TASK

Question prompts:

What's your favorite activity that does not involve screens?

Does spending time online ever stop you from doing other things? If so, what?

If you were going to set up a screen time calendar for the next week, what do you think would be a good balance?

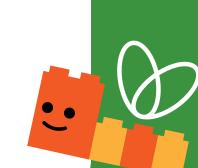
If you were worried or anxious about either having too much screen time or too little what would you do?



Before you go perhaps you'd like to make the online explorers pledge?

Grown-ups, you might like to make this pledge too!

Read along together:





- We'll make sure we're spending lots of time with our friends and family face-to-face as well as on screens.
- We'll focus on one activity at a time and take regular breaks so that we don't get too tired.
- We'll not use our devices before bedtime so that we can get a good night's sleep.
- If we need help managing our screen time, we'll make sure to speak to a trusted grown-up about it.

Marvellous work!

I really couldn't have done it without you today. Your LEGO building is fantastic.

Why not try another quick building challenge on the next page?

GROWN-UP:
For tips on Screen Time
Click here



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<u>Head here</u> to explore
more online safety topics





