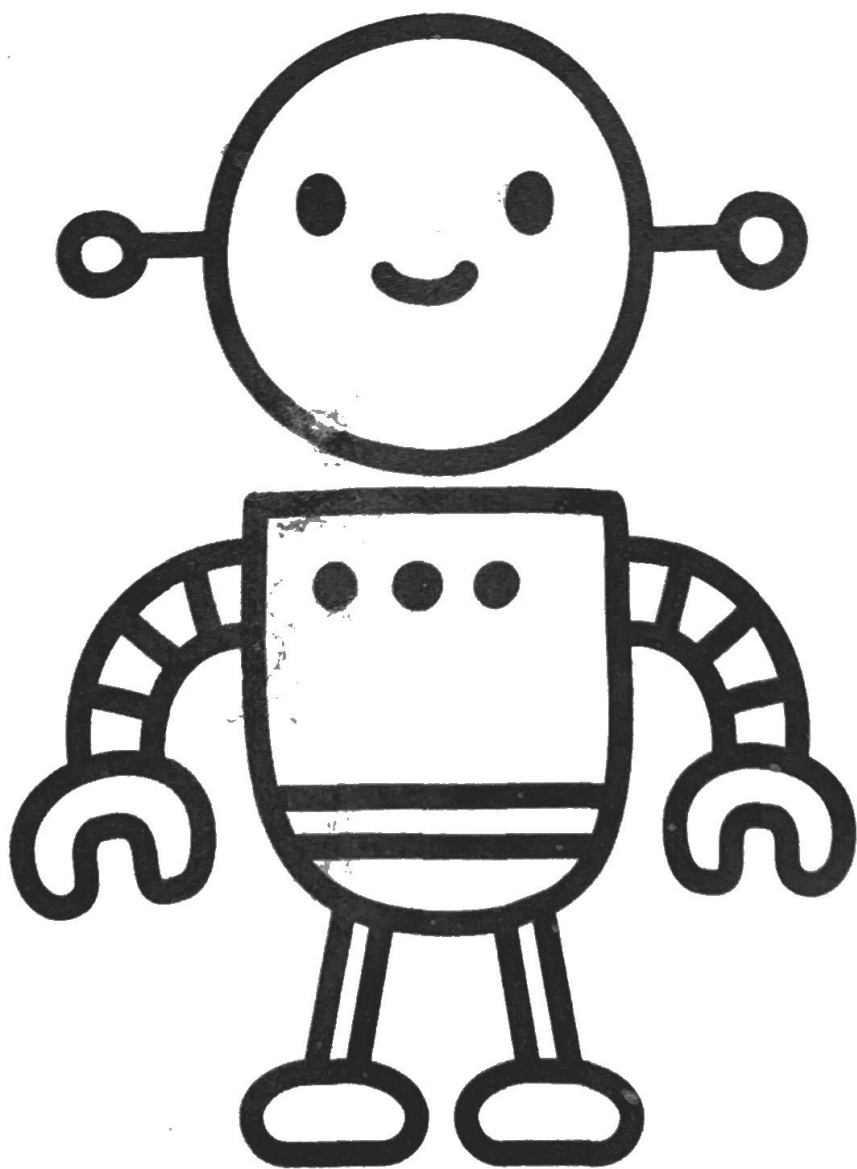
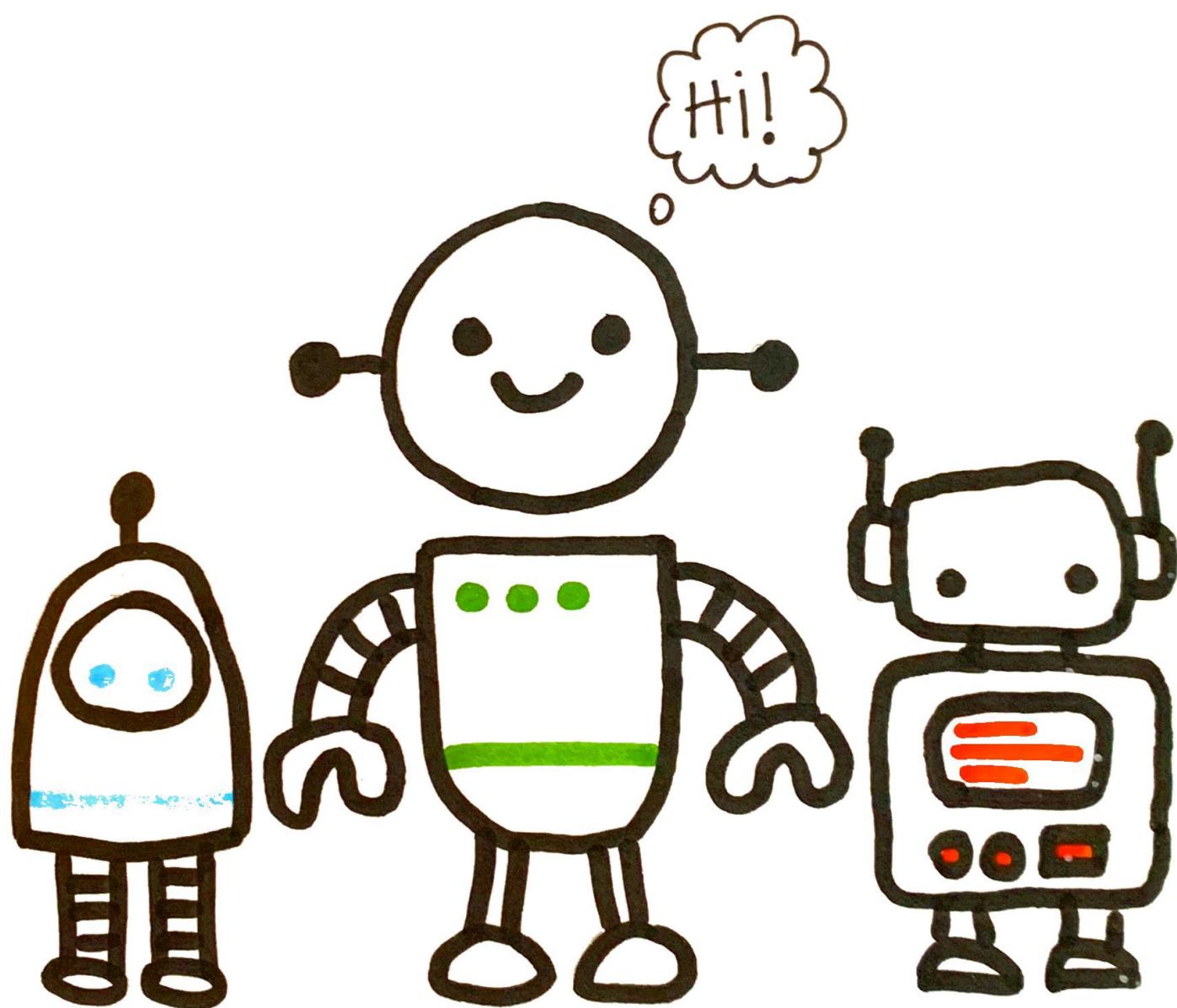


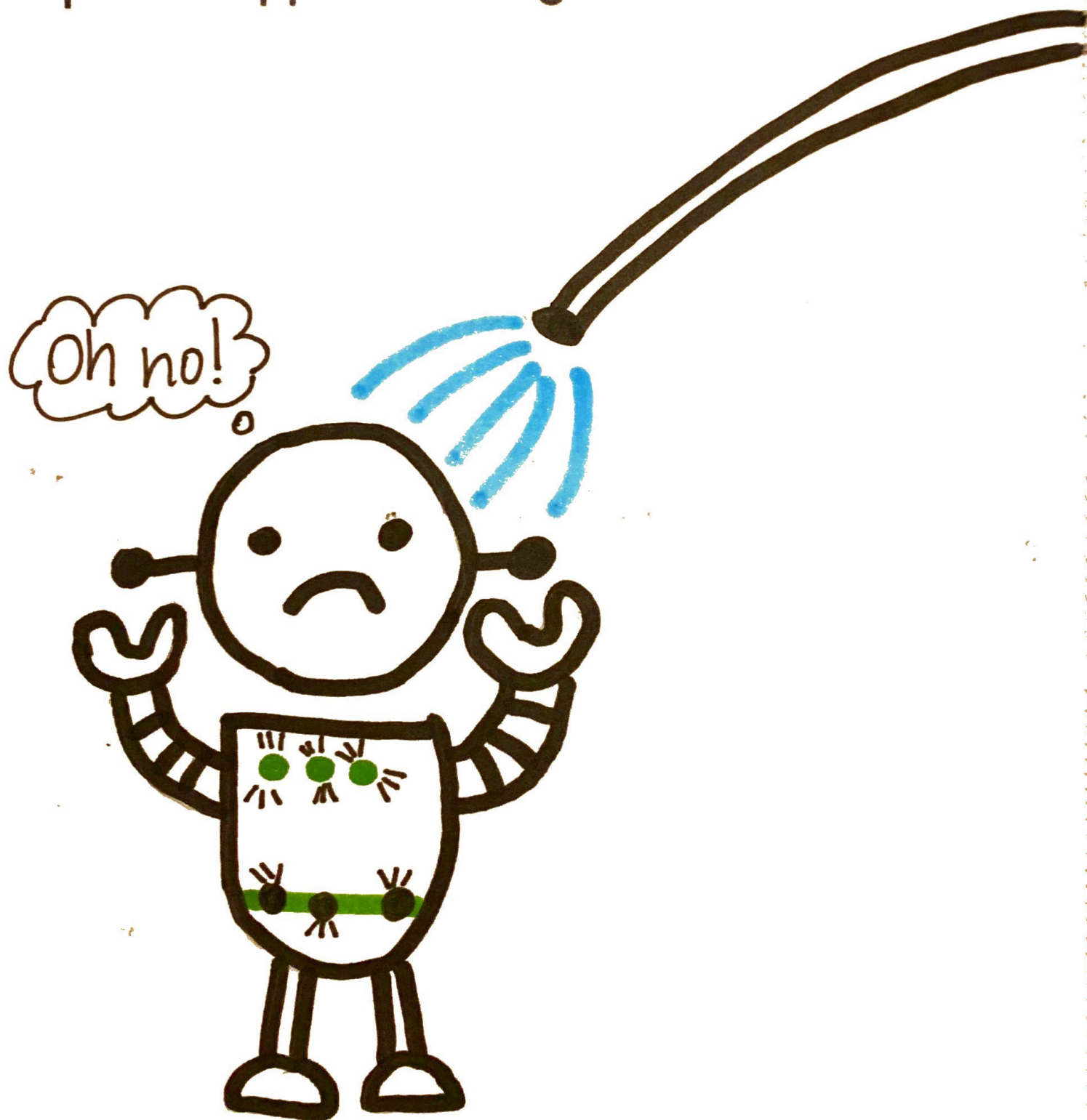
# ALFIE THE ROBOT



Once there was a robot named Alfie. He was a happy robot. He loved to play with his friends and do his special robot jobs.

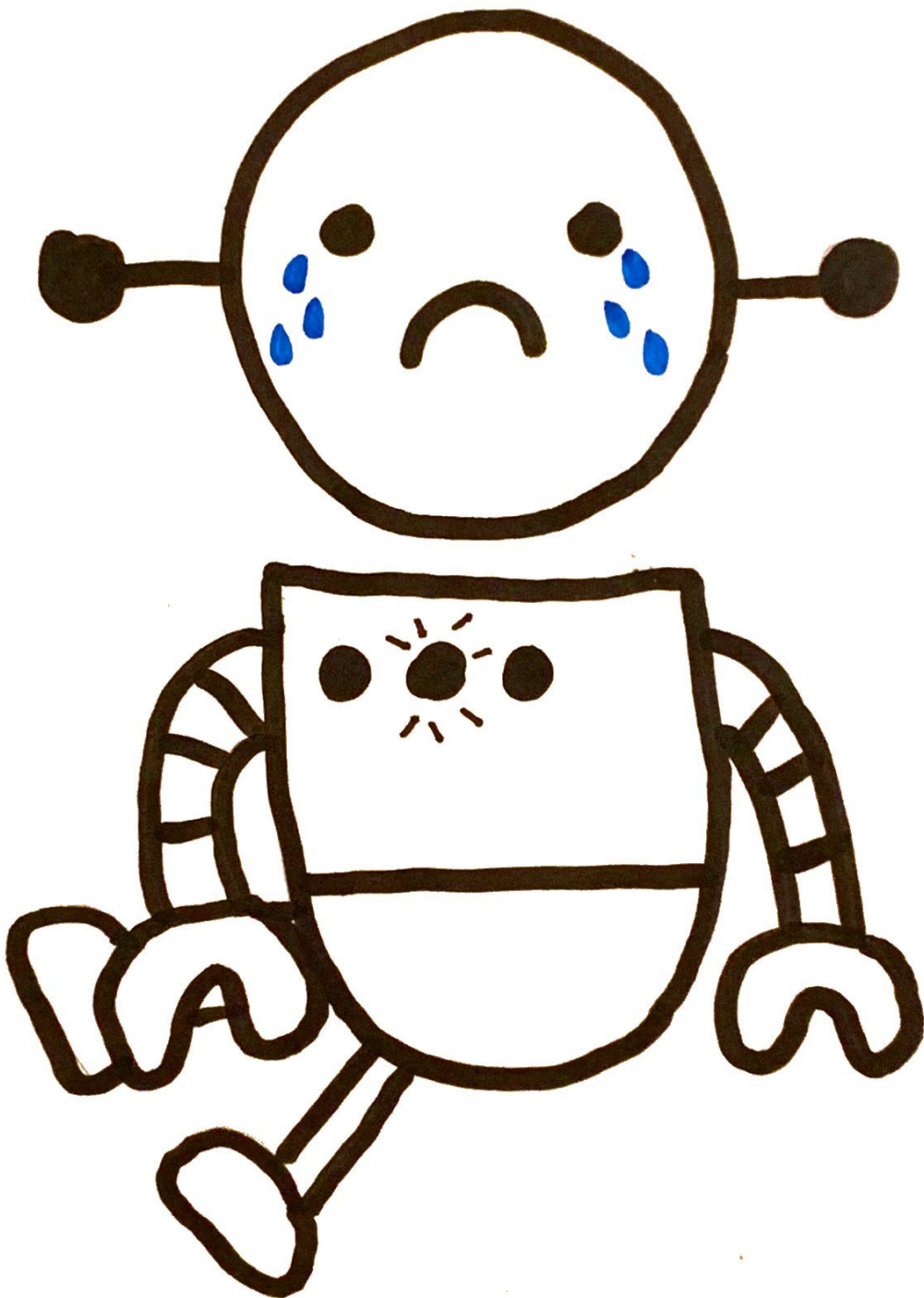


One day something terrible happened. Water spilled on Alfie! If there's one thing robots should stay away from, it's water. The water made some of the wires in Alfie stop working--they couldn't carry the messages from his computer brain to all his parts. So some of his parts stopped working.

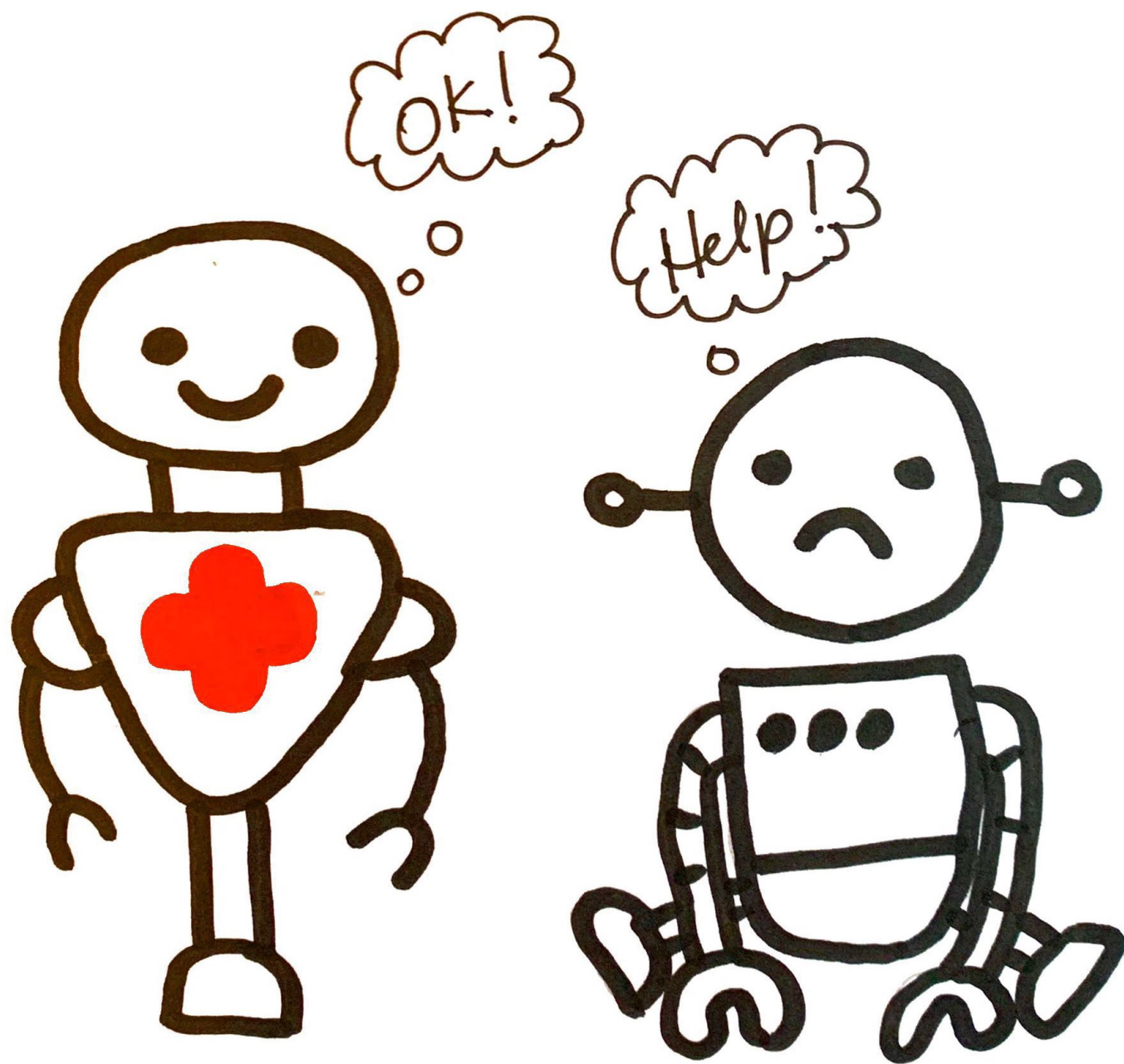




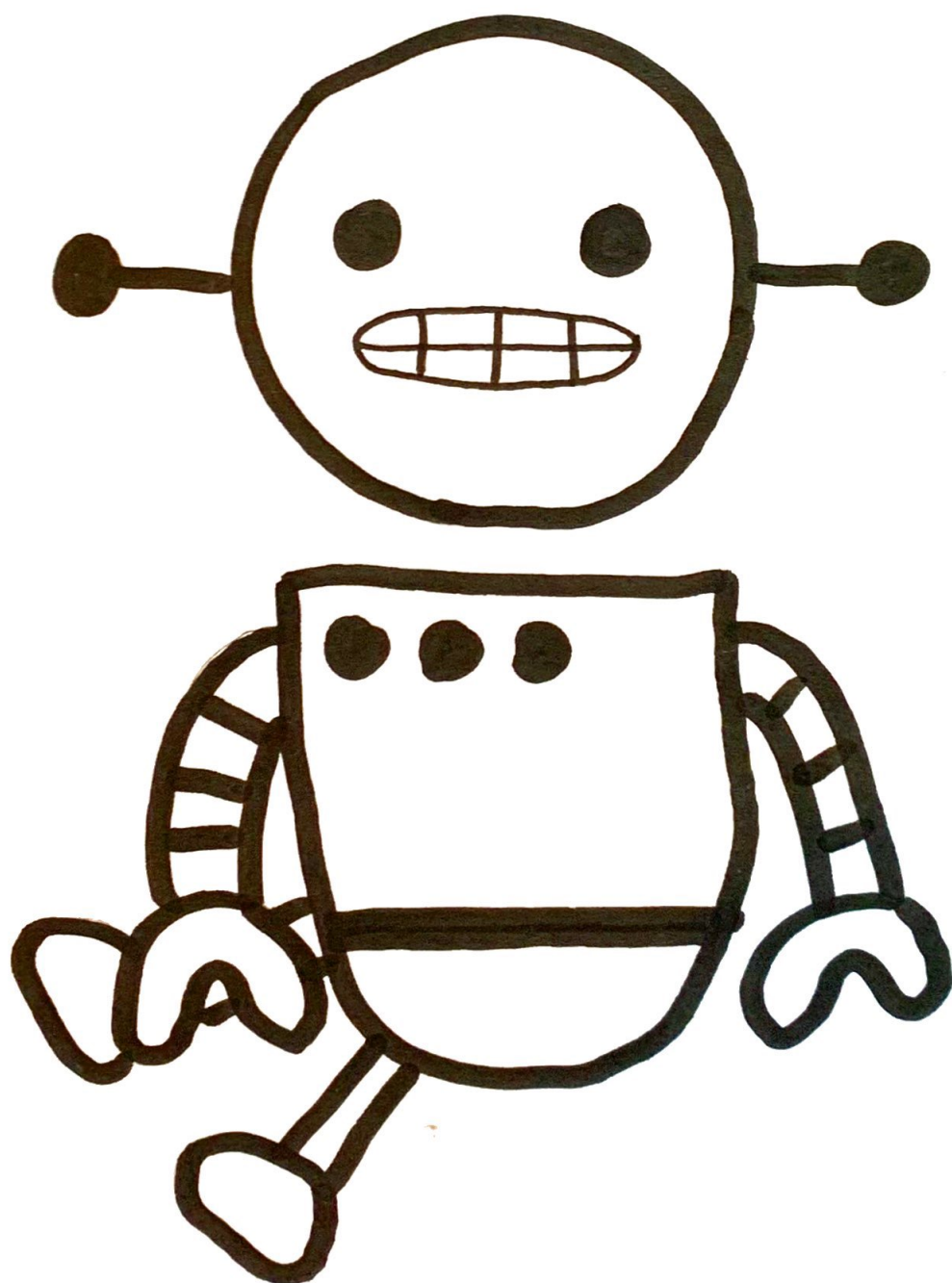
No matter how many buttons he pushed, he just couldn't get them to work.



One day a very clever inventor saw Alfie and said, "Hey, I think I can help you! I think you have some extra wires in you that I can move to help your parts work again!"

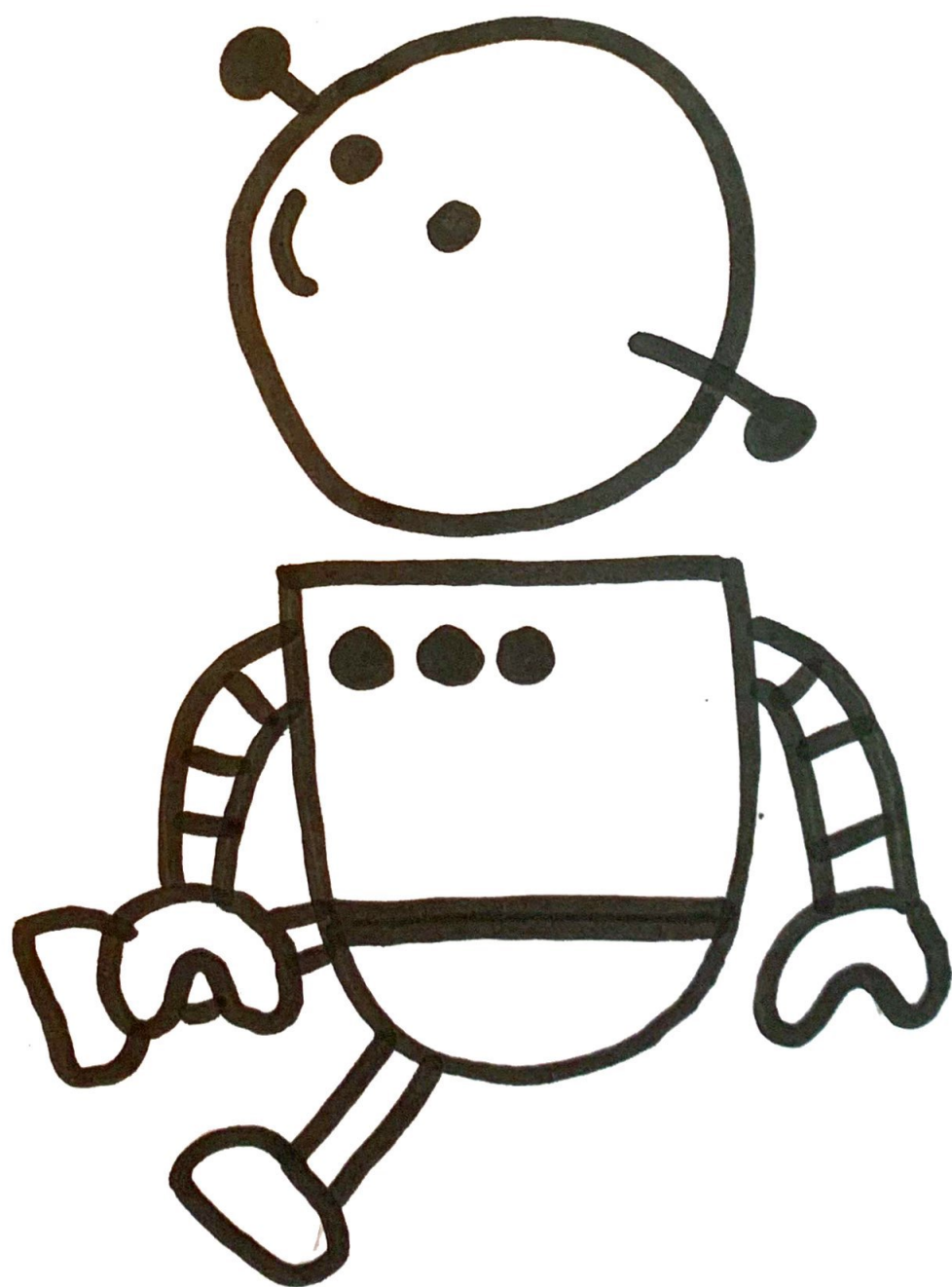


Alfie wasn't sure. He was a little scared and nervous about this inventor and didn't want him to move his wires around!

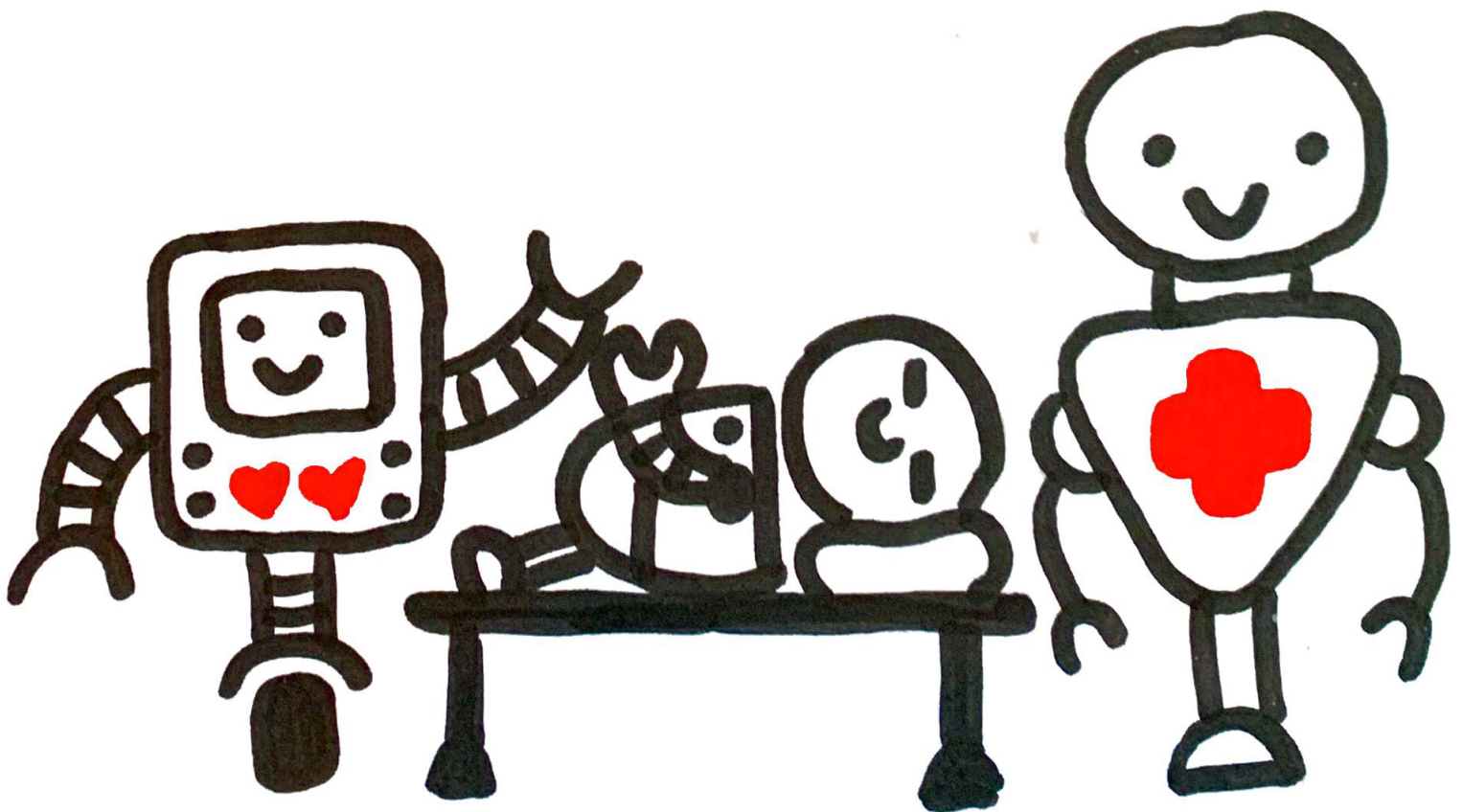




But Alfie thought about it and decided that he would be brave because more than anything, he wanted to move his parts that he couldn't move now.

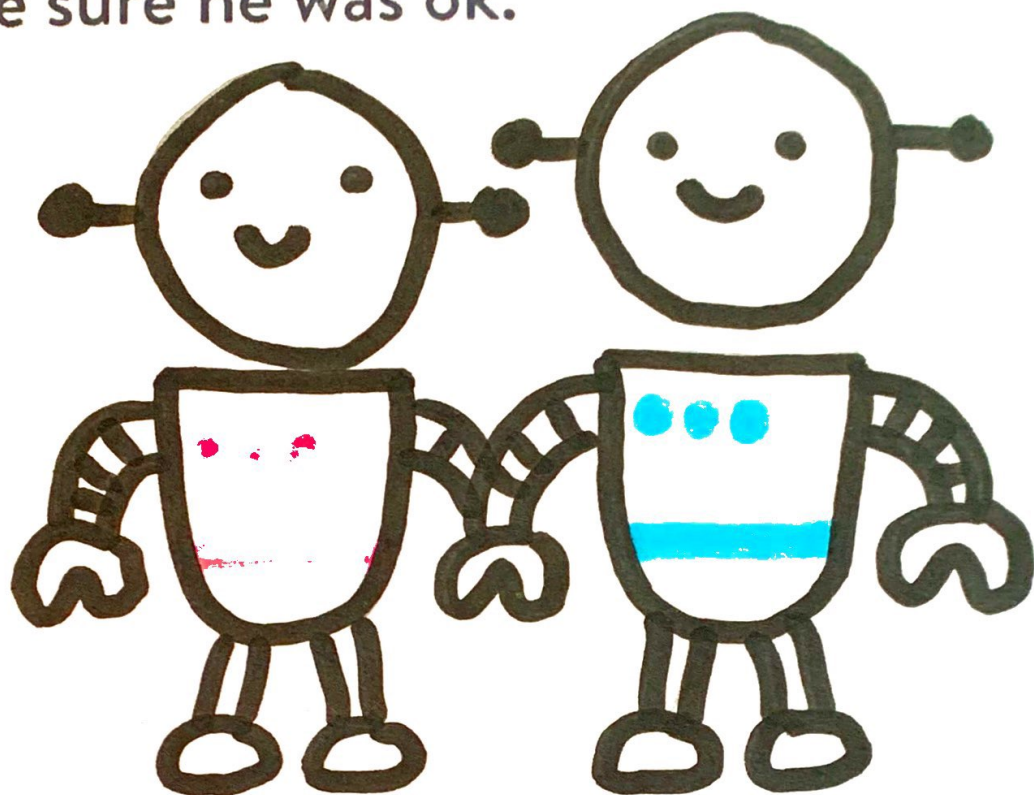


Alfie's rewiring day was coming soon. When it was time for his wires to be fixed, the inventor pressed a special button that made Alfie silly and sleepy--so he wouldn't be scared about the rewiring at all. Another inventor was helping--his job was to make sure that Alfie stayed asleep and that nothing would hurt him.

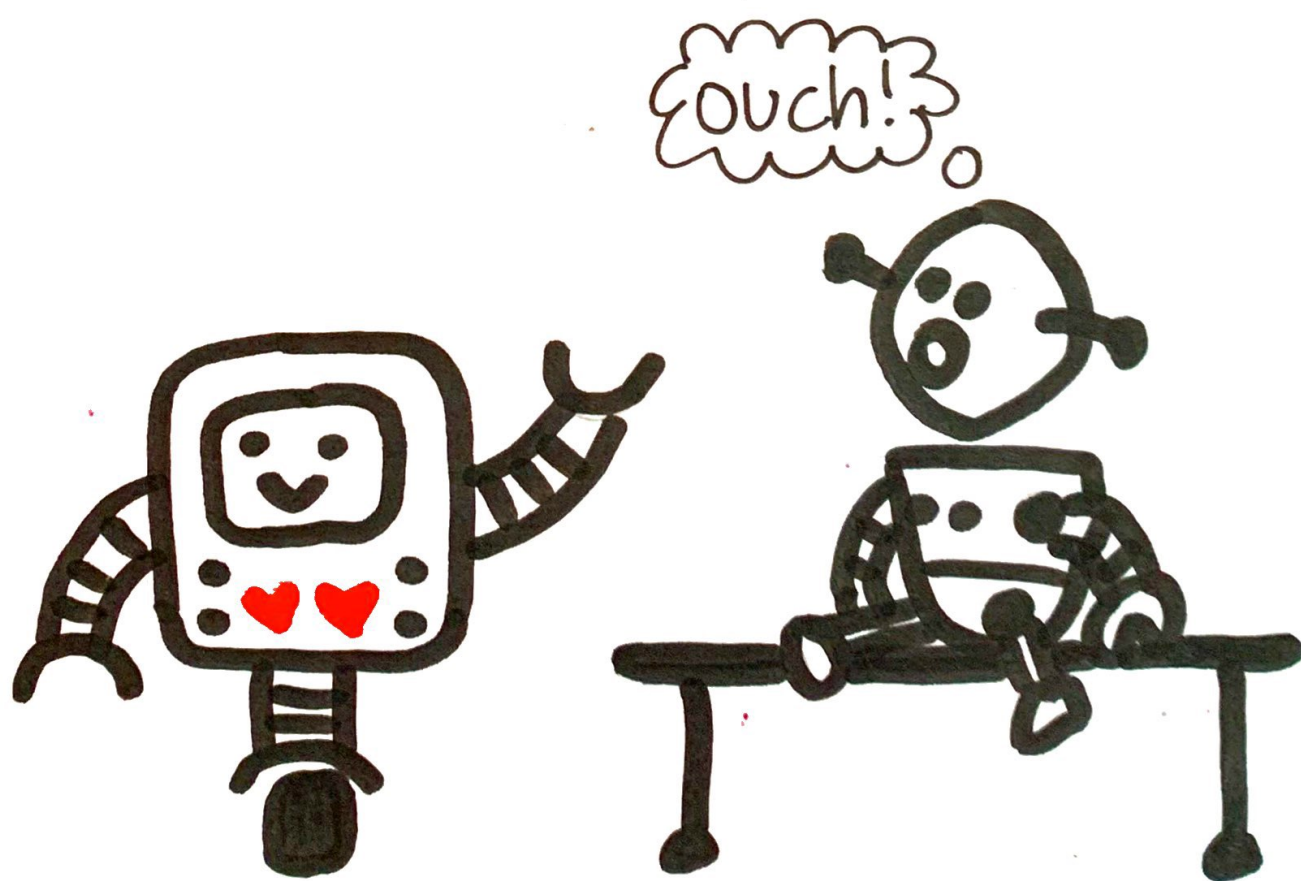




When Alfie woke up, he felt kind of funny,  
but his Mombot and Dadbot were right there  
to make sure he was ok.



Sometimes some of the new wires hurt a little  
bit, but he could always ask for a special med-  
icine that made him feel better.

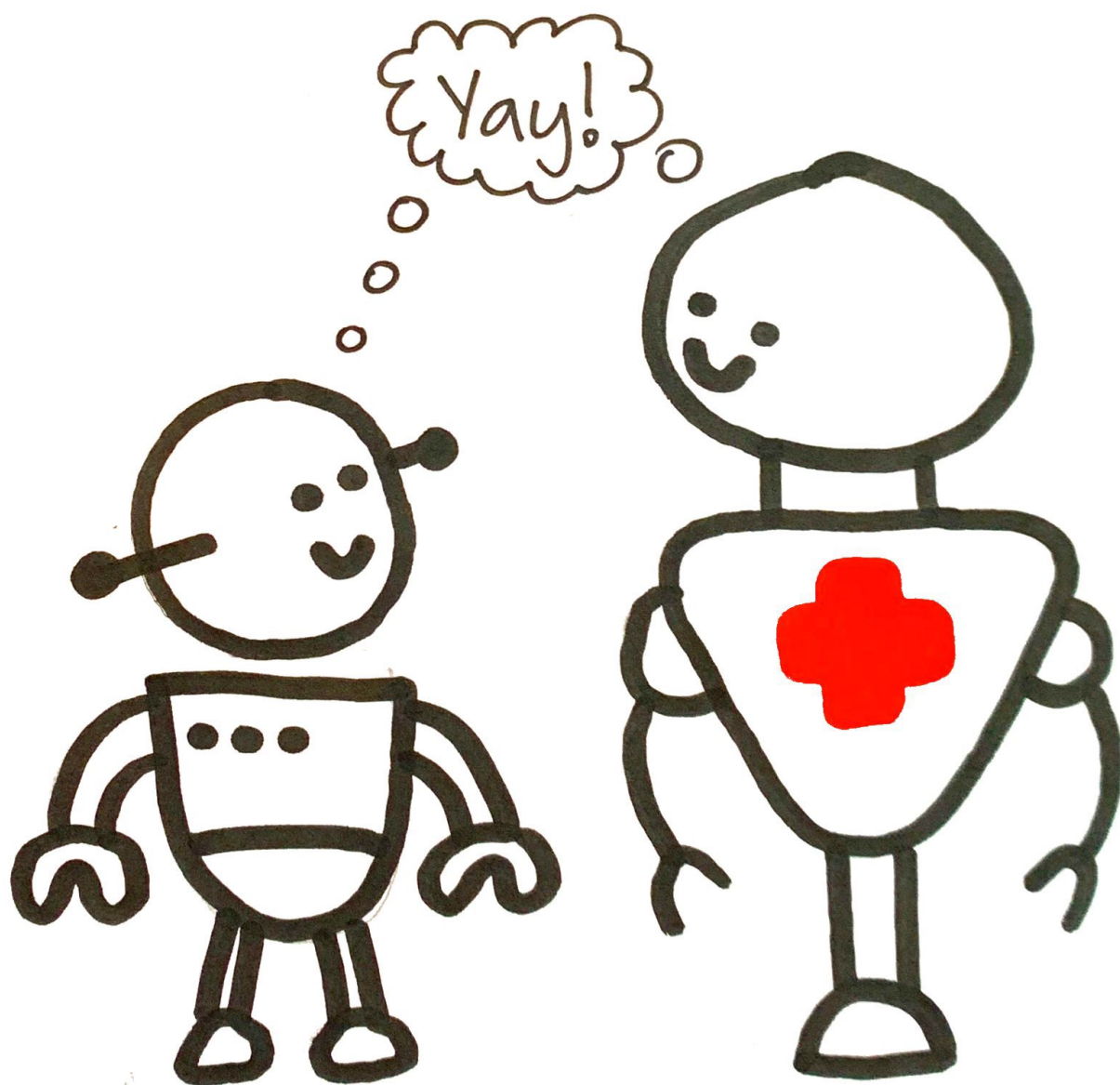


He had to stay in the inventor's workshop for a few days to make sure all the wires were ok and then he got to go home. He had to wear some special braces for a month that held his arms very very still so that the new wires would not come apart.



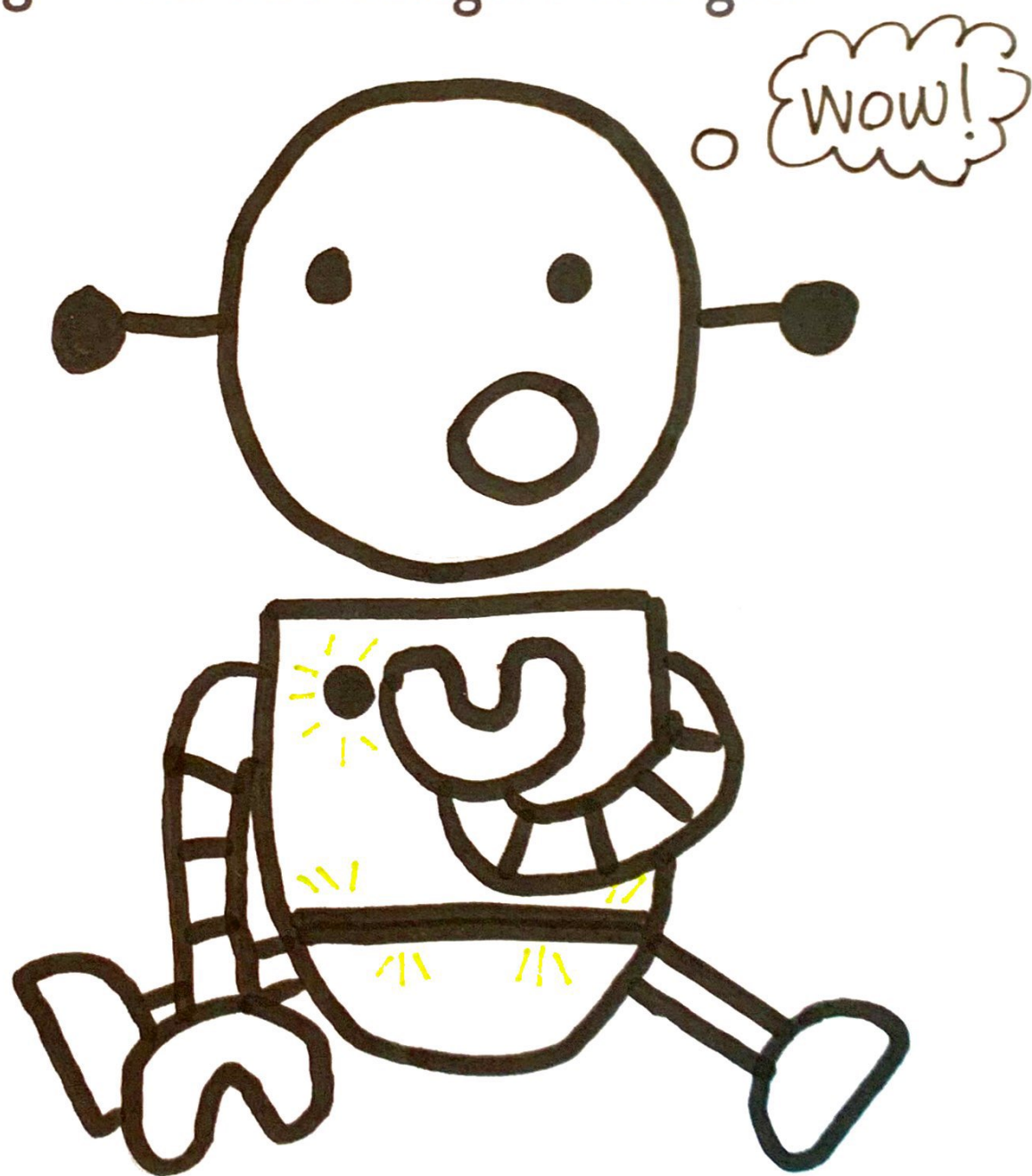


After a month the inventor checked him and told him he could switch to a different brace. And a month later, he didn't have to wear any braces!





Alfie wished the new wires worked right away, but they take a lot of time to start working. Alfie had to push his buttons over and over, but one day--the wires started to work! He pushed the button and his robot arm moved just a little bit. And the more he pushed it and the more he practiced the stronger the wires got and he stronger Alfie got.



He was so happy that he decided to let the inventor help him, even though it was scary. And Alfie lived happily ever after.

