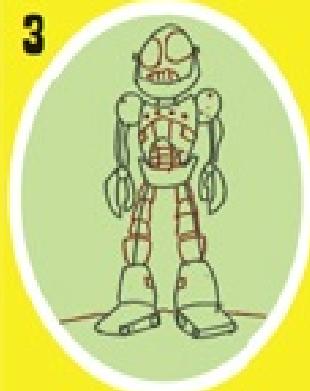
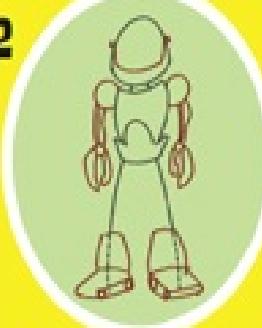


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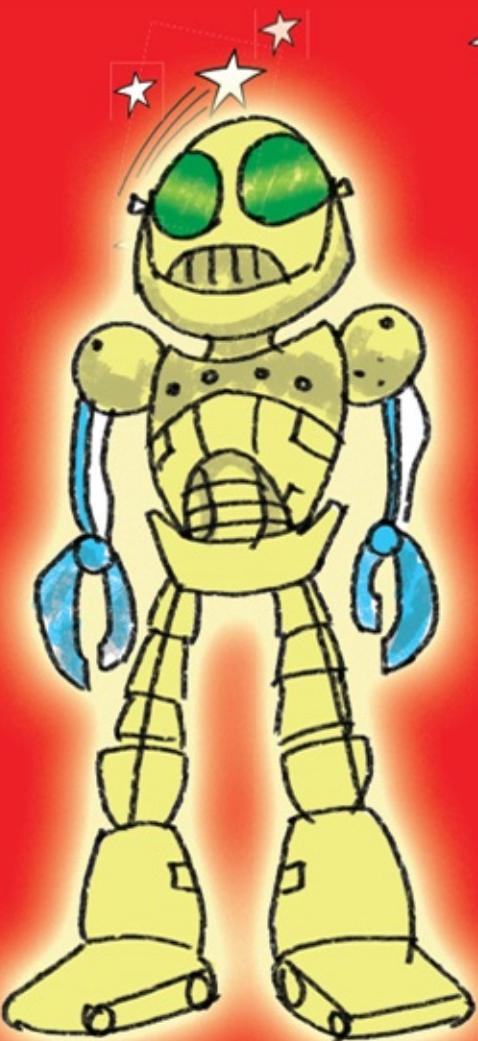
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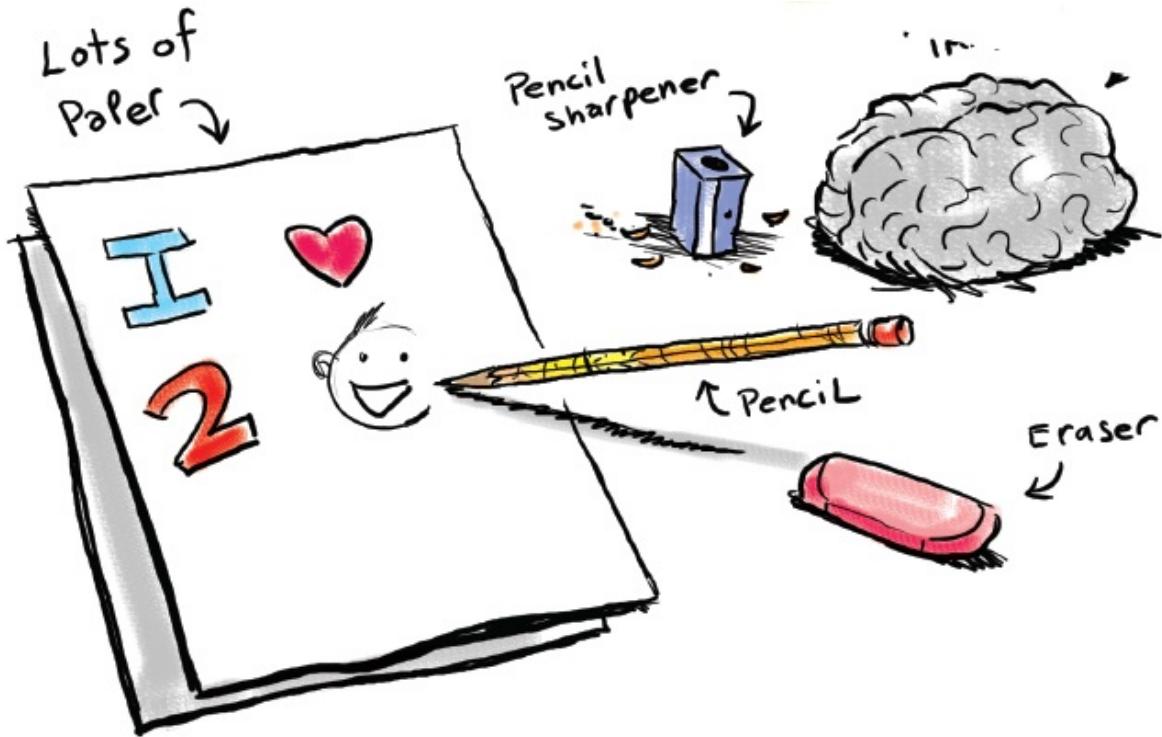
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Getting Started



Drawing aliens is as easy as 1, 2, 3, 4! Just follow the 4 steps for each picture in this book. You will be amazed at what you can draw. After some practice, you will be able to make your own adjustments, too. Change a pose, move a leg, or draw a different alien. There are lots of possibilities!

Follow the 4 Steps

1



1. Start with big shapes, such as the body.

2



2. Add smaller shapes, such as the arms. In each step, new lines are shown.

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3. Continue adding new lines. Erase lines as needed.



4. Add final details and color. Your alien will come to life!

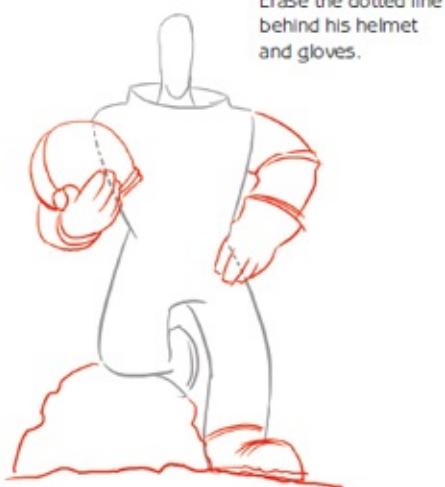
Astronaut

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1



2



Erase the dotted line
behind his helmet
and gloves.

3



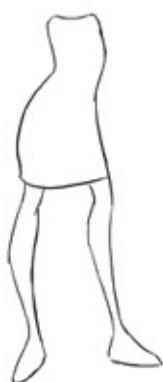
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Astrogirl

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3



4



Astrodog

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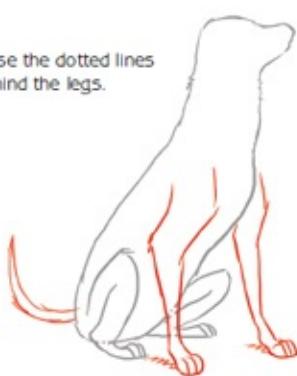
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The legs are always tricky,
so take your time.



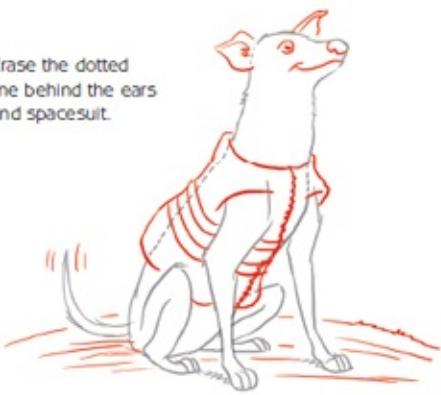
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Erase the dotted lines
behind the legs.

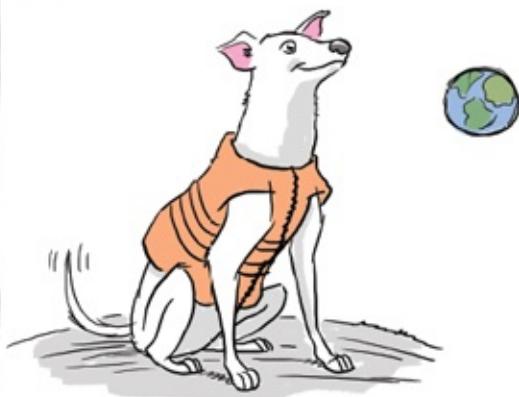


3

Erase the dotted
line behind the ears
and spacesuit.



4



Spacesuit

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1



2



Erase the dotted line
behind the gloves.

3

Erase the dotted
line behind the
helmet.



4



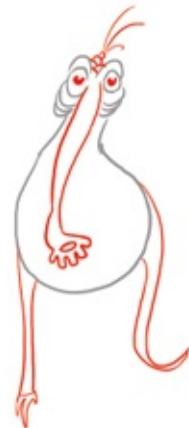
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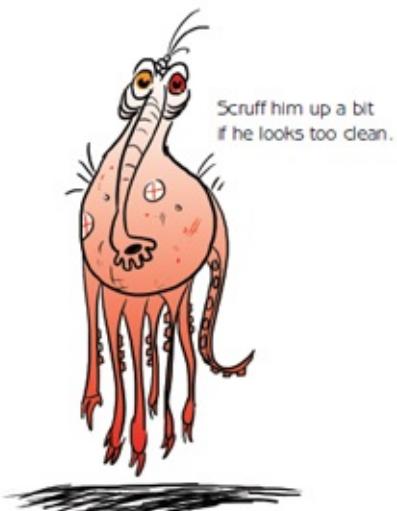
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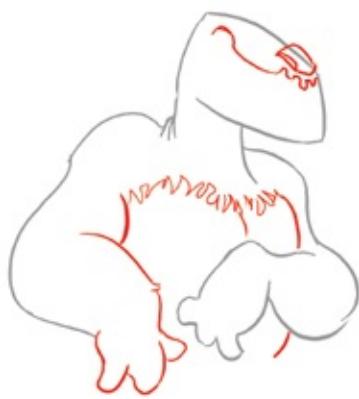
Blinky

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1



2



3

Erase the dotted line
behind the nose.



4



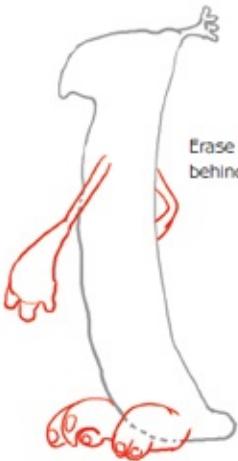
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3



4



Goobie

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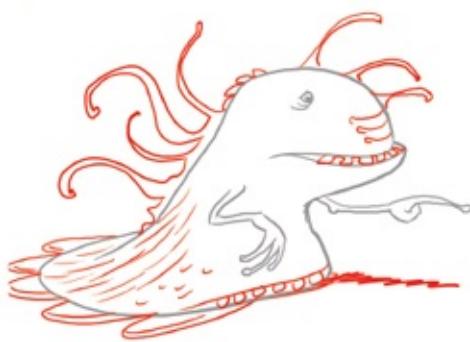
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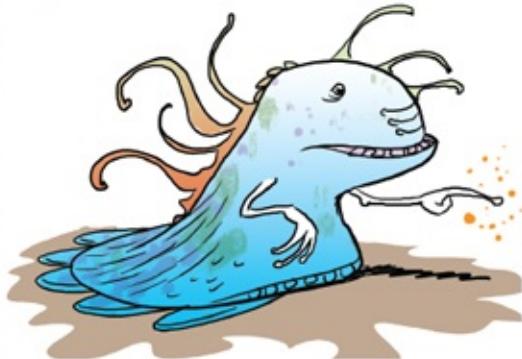
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3



4



Bleet

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1



2

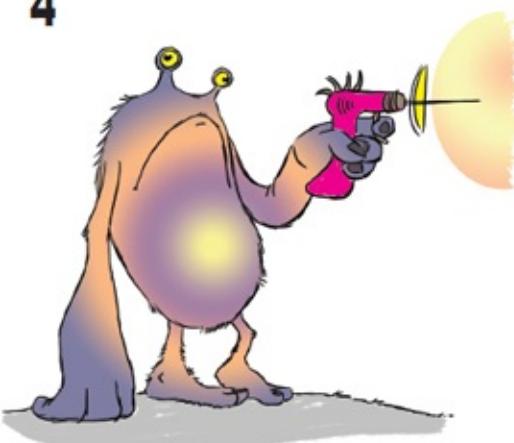


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Erase the dotted line behind the gun, eye, and arm.



4



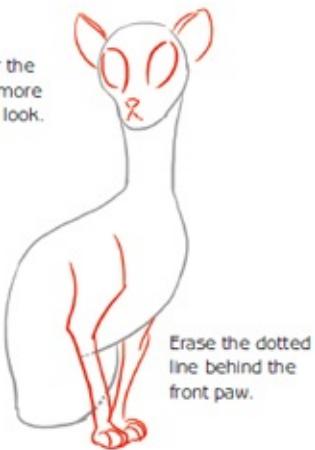
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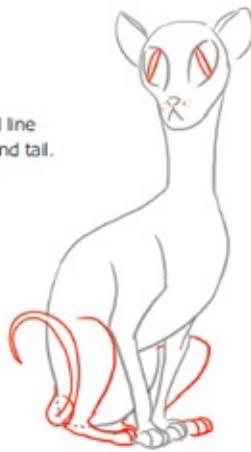
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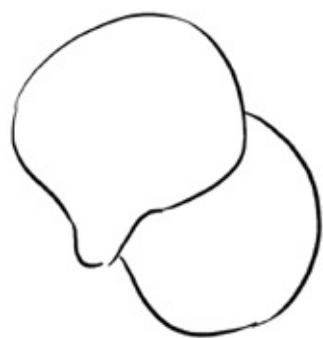
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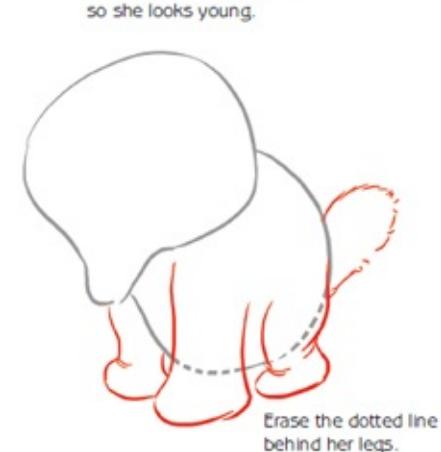
Visilla

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1



2



Make her head and feet big
so she looks young.

Erase the dotted line
behind her legs.

3



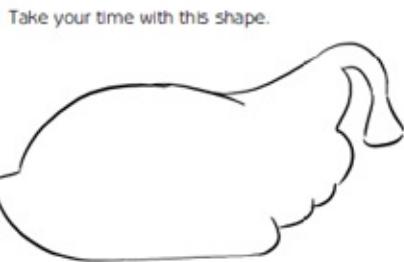
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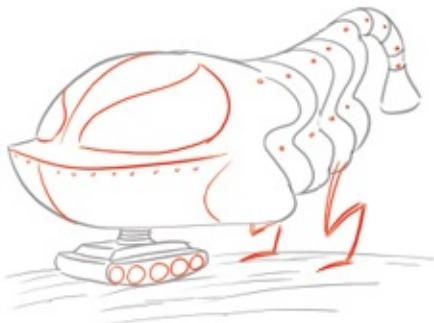
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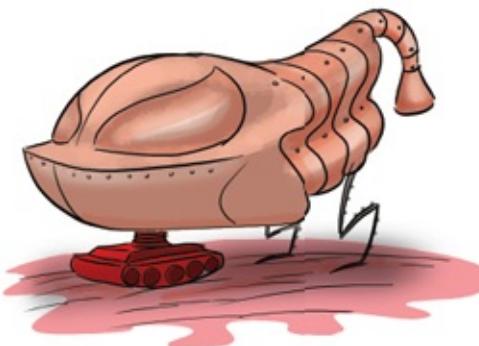
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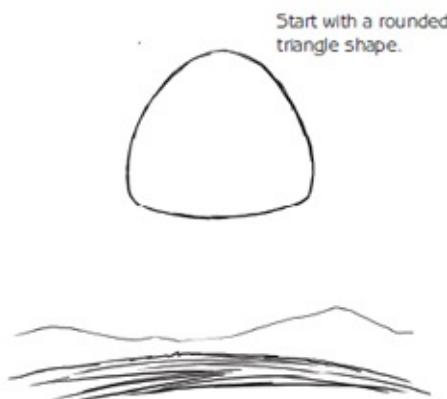
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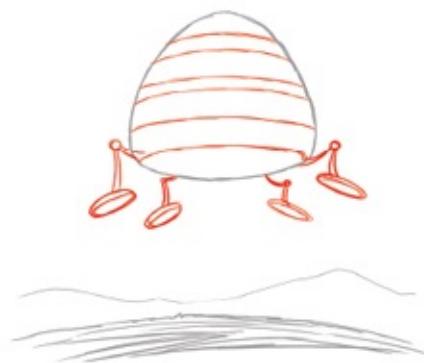
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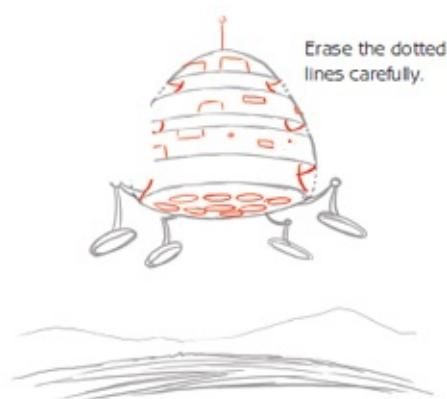
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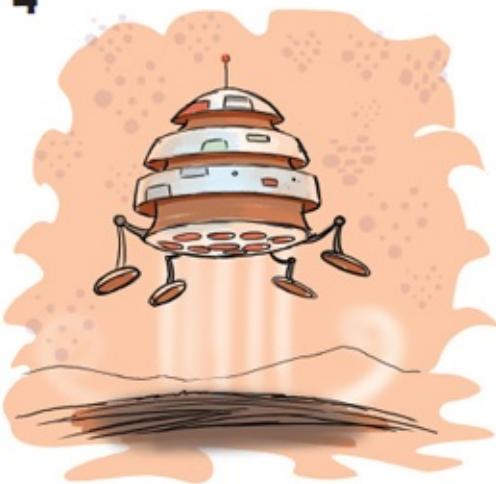
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Space Capsule

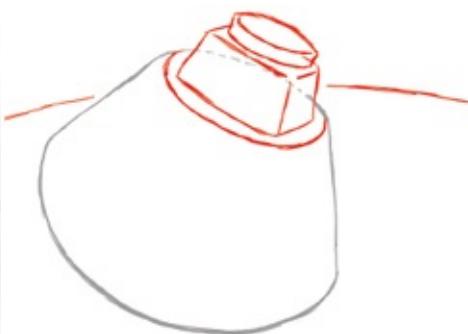
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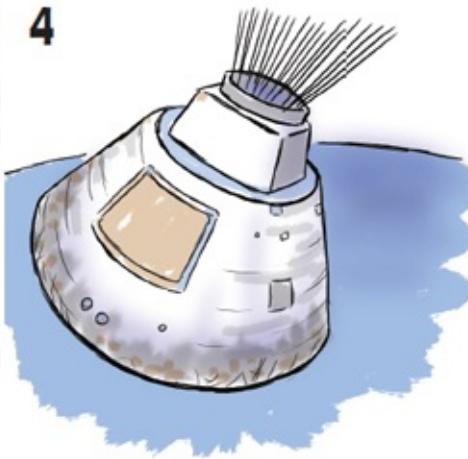
Erase the dotted line behind the cube shape.



3



4



Crasher

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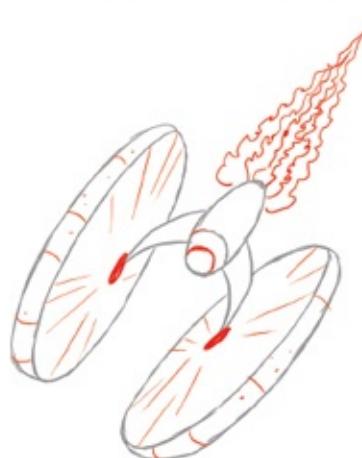
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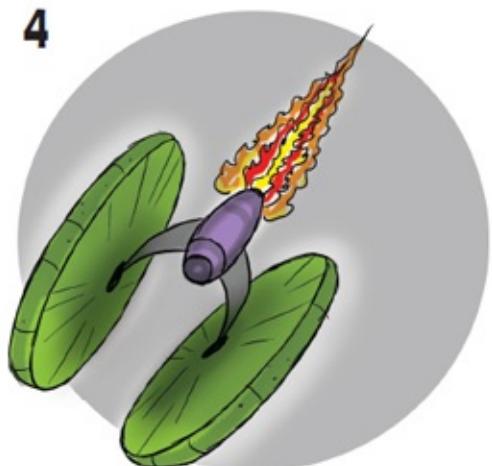
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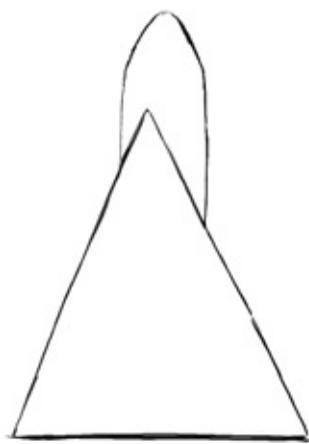
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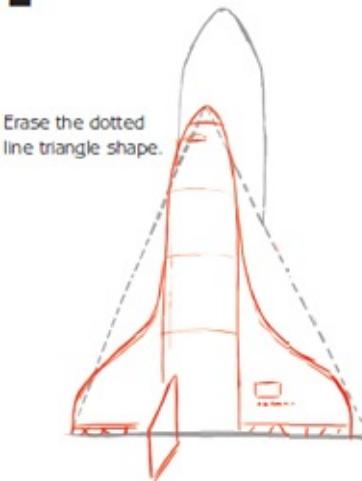
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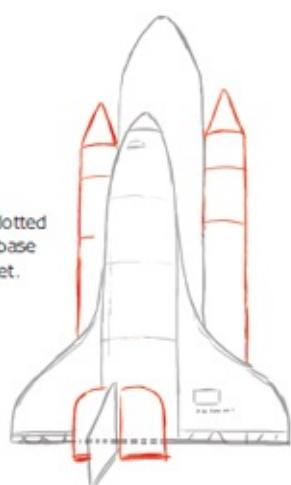


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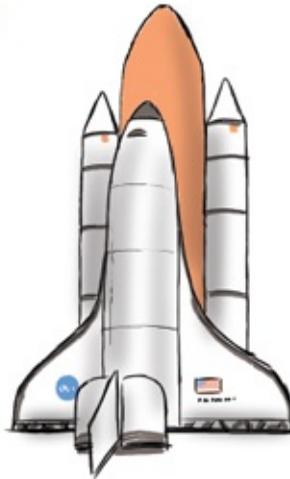


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Erase the dotted line at the base of the rocket.



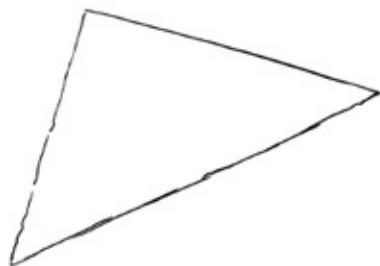
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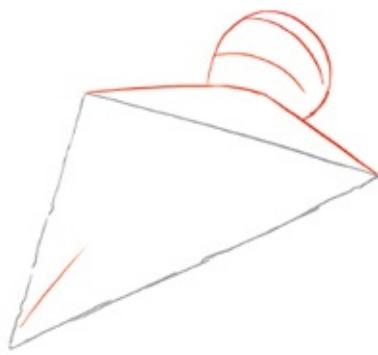
Fighter

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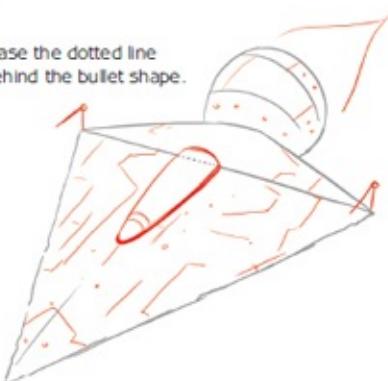


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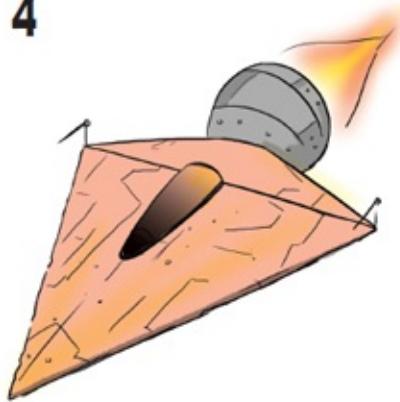


3

Erase the dotted line
behind the bullet shape.



4



Rocket

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1



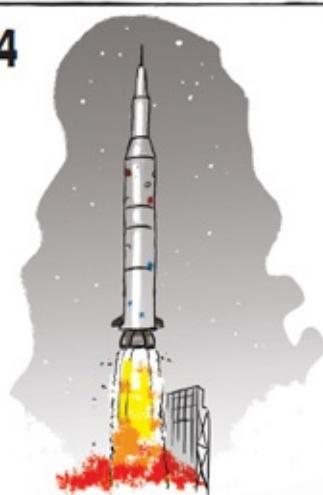
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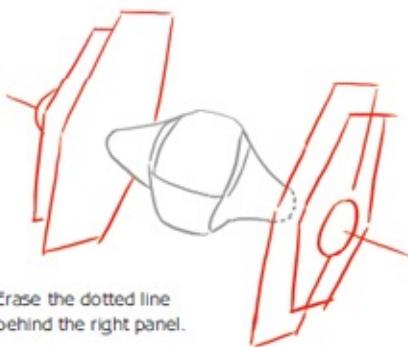
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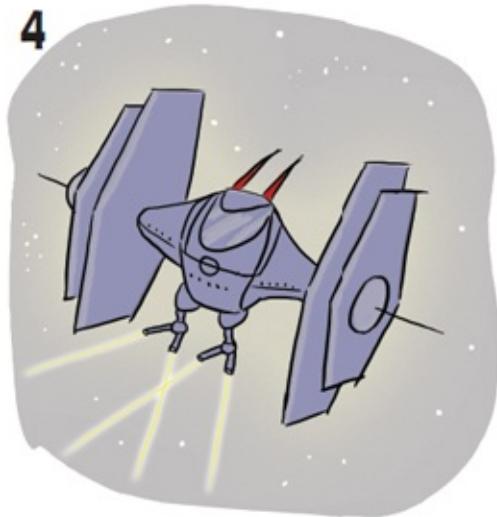
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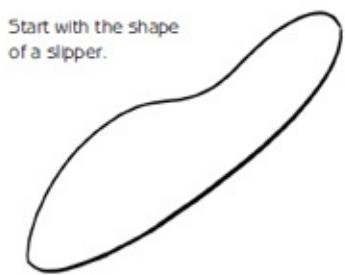
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Ninja Fighter

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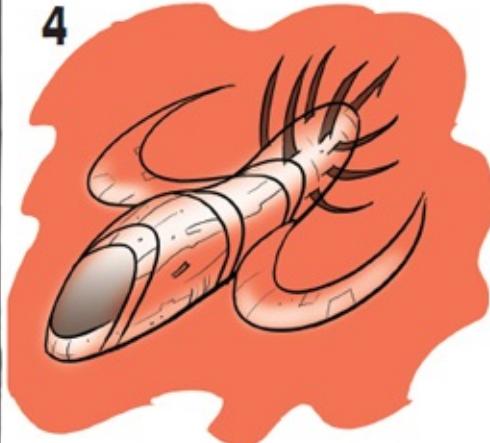
Erase the dotted line behind the right wing.

3



Use thin lines for surface texture.

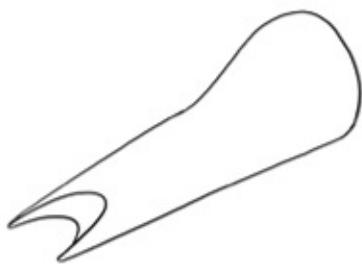
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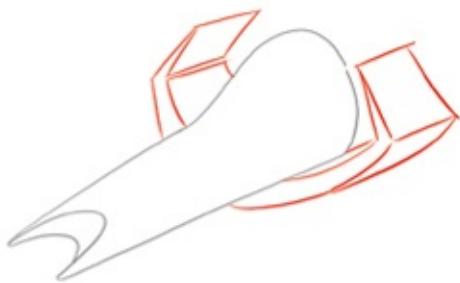
Turbo Fighter

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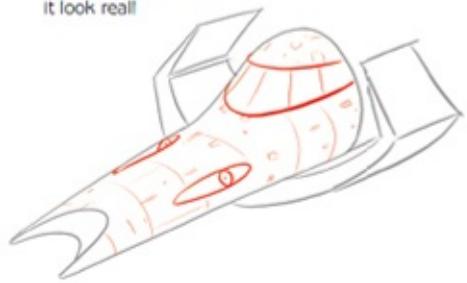


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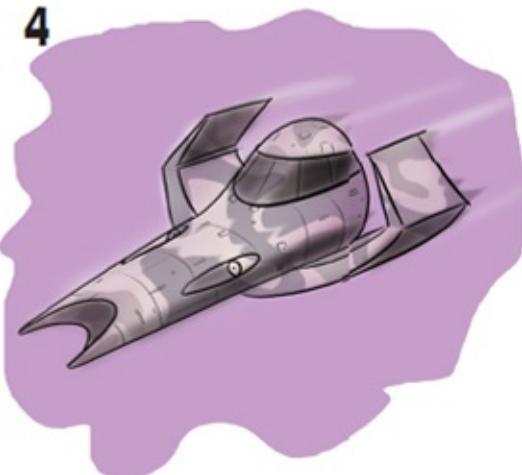


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Adding the little surface details is easy and makes it look real!



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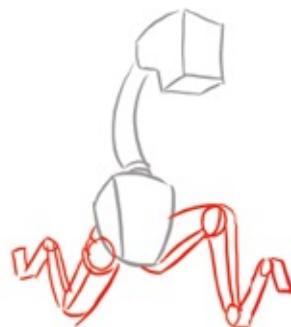
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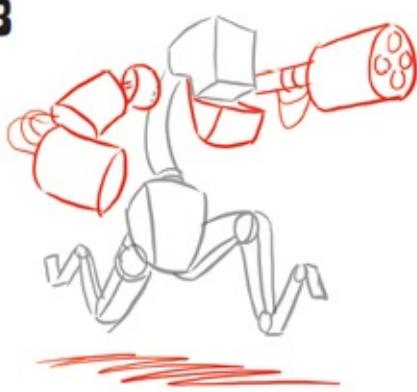
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2



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Erase the dotted line
behind the shoulder.

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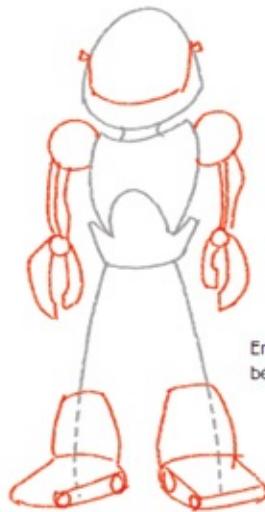
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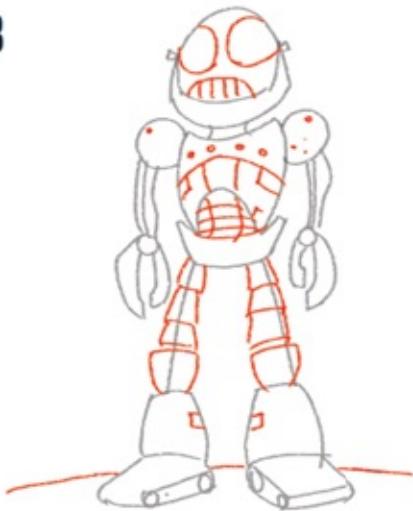
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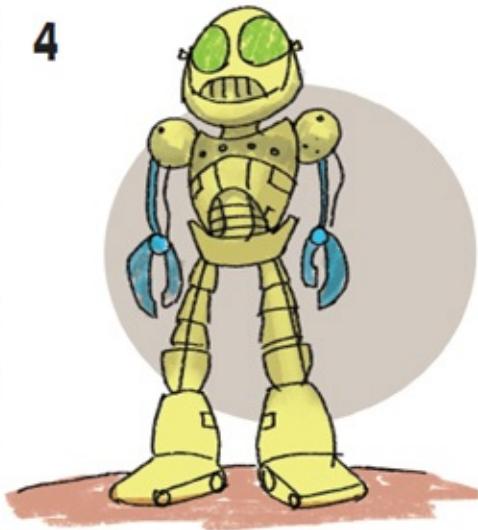
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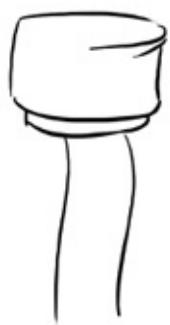
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Botkin

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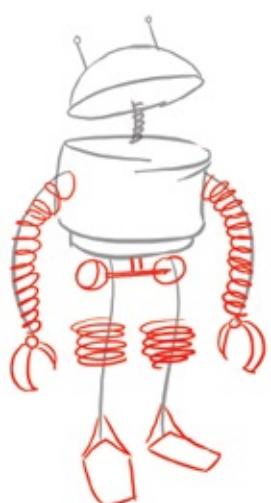
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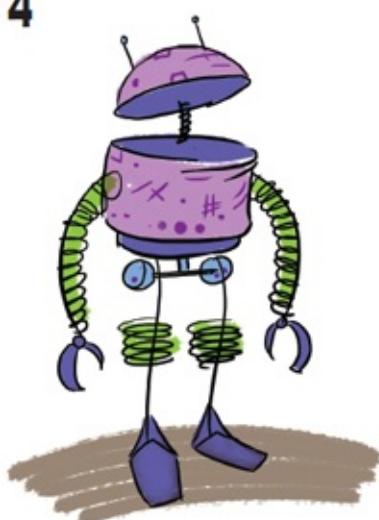
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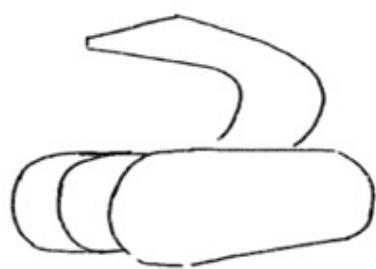
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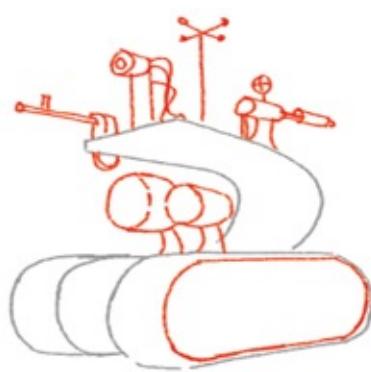
Rover

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1



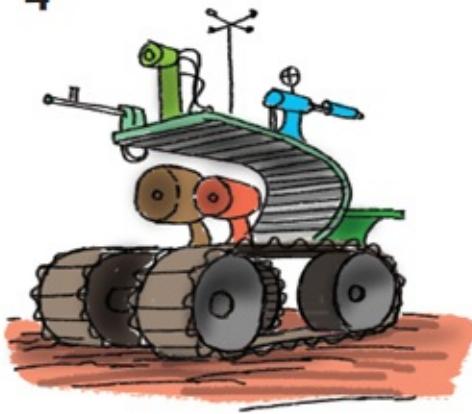
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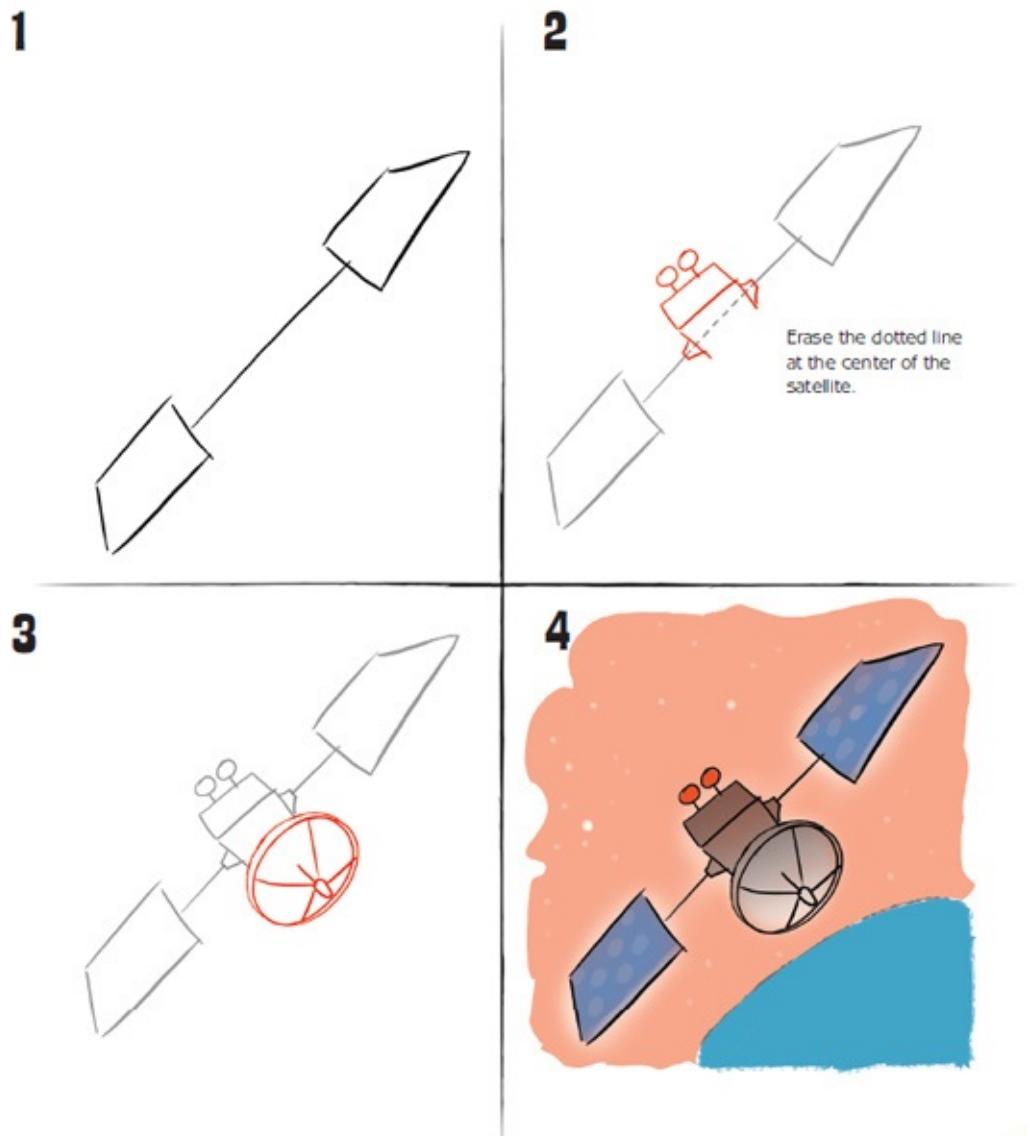


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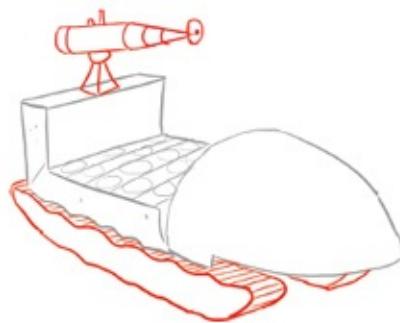
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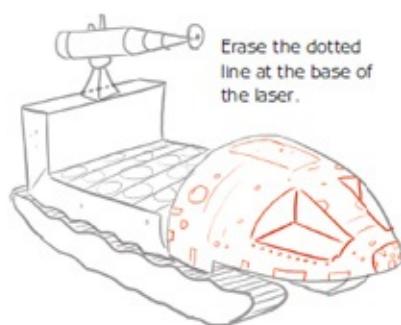
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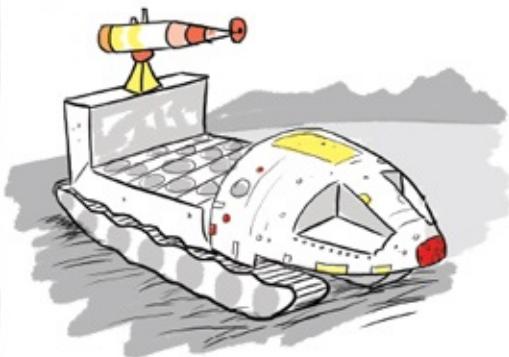
2



3



4



Meteor

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1



Start with a small imperfect ball in the corner.

2



Meteors disintegrate as they enter Earth's atmosphere.

3



Add a vapor trail.

4



Moon

Click [HERE](#) to view each step up close!

1

Ready for an
easy one?



You can use a cup
for the circle, but it's
okay to have wobbly lines.

2



3

Rough up the surface.



4

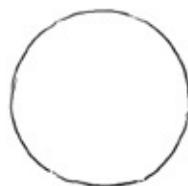


Throw in some color!

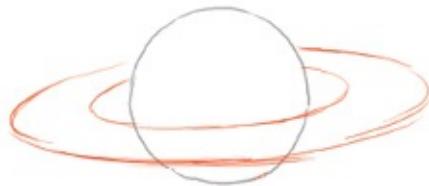
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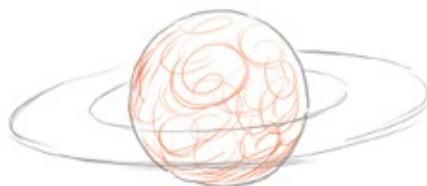


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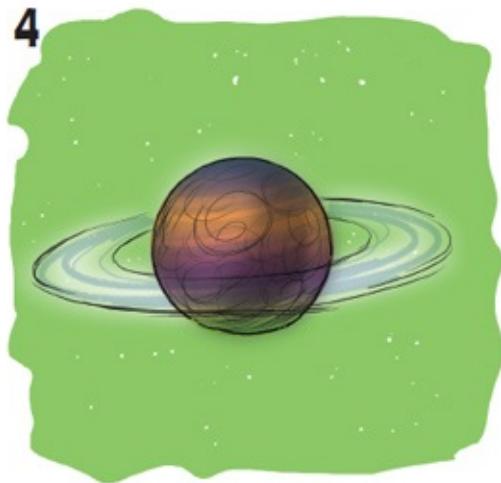


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The rings are transparent,
so there is no need to erase
behind them.



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How to Write a Story

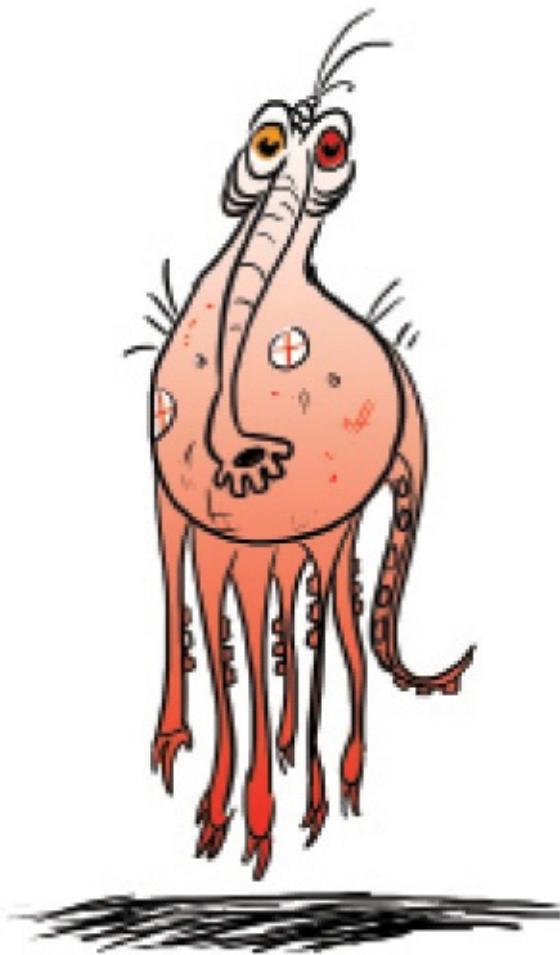
Write a Story in 5 Easy Steps

Are you ready to write a story to go with your drawings? Maybe you have a story you want to illustrate. Follow these five simple steps to make your very own story with drawings.



Step 1: Prewriting

Do you want to write about aliens? Maybe you have an idea for a story about aliens in outer space. Keep in mind the drawings you want to use and base your story around them.



One way to begin your story is to answer these questions: Who? What? Why?
Where? When? How?

For example:

Who is your alien?

What happens to it in your story?

Why is its story interesting?

Where and when does it live?

How does it react to its situation?

Who? What?
How? Why?
When? Where?

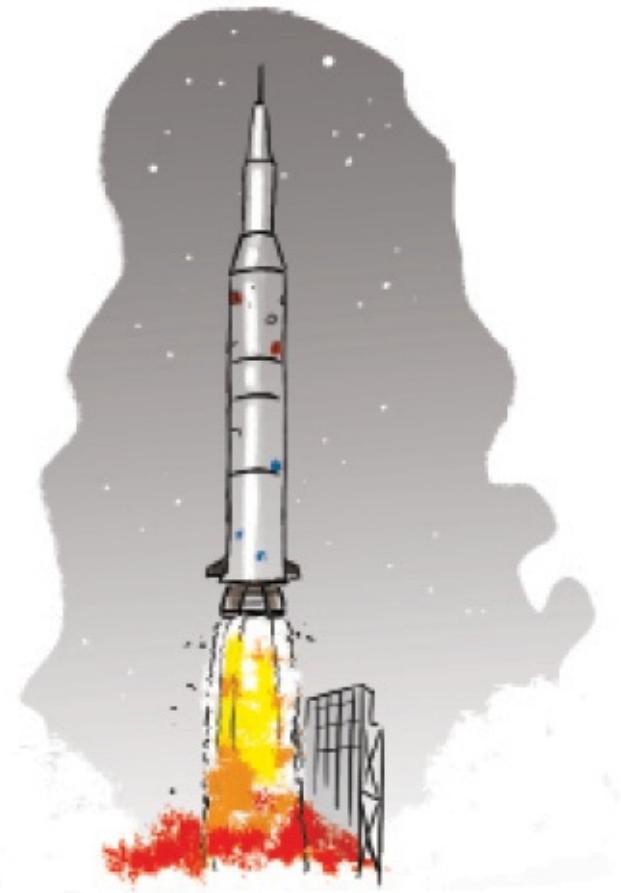


Here is a good brainstorming exercise. Fold a paper into six columns. Write the words *Who?* *What?* *Why?* *Where?* *When?* and *How?* at the top of each column. Write down every answer that comes into your head in the matching column. Do this for about five or ten minutes. Take a look at your list and pick out the ideas that you like the best. Now you are ready to write your story.

Step 2: Writing

Use the ideas from the list you made in Step 1. Write your story all the way

through. Don't stop to make changes. You can always make changes later.



A story about an alien flying around in space isn't very interesting. What could happen to this alien? What if there were a meteor getting ready to crash into its planet? Think of all of the things that could go wrong. Your story will be more exciting if you don't make things too easy for the alien.



Step 3: Editing

Read your story. Is there a way to make it better? Rewrite the parts that you can improve. You might want to ask a friend or teacher to help. Ask them for their ideas.

Step 4: Proofreading

Make sure the spelling, punctuation, and grammar are correct.

Storyboarding

Check to see that your story works with your drawings. Find a table or other flat

surface. Spread your drawings out in the order that goes with your story. Then place the matching text below each drawing. When you have your story the way you like it, go to Step 5. You can pick a way to publish your story.

Step 5: Publishing Your Book

You can make your story into a book. There are many different forms your book can take. Here are a few ideas: [**Simple book**](#)

Staple sheets of blank paper together along their edges.

Folded book

Fold sheets of blank paper in half, then staple on the fold.

Hardcover book

Buy a blank hardcover book. Then write your finished story in the book, leaving spaces to add your art.

Bound book

Punch a few holes along the edges of some pieces of paper. Tie them up or fill the holes with paper fasteners. There are many fun and colorful binding options at office supply stores.

Digital book

Create a digital book using your computer. There are some great programs available. Ask an adult to help you find one that is right for you.

Alien Story Starters

I watched the strange ship land in our yard. Nothing exciting usually happens here on Mars ...

The spaceship was badly damaged in the meteor shower when ...

We had just landed on the Moon when a strange creature walked up ...

The fighter came shooting toward the spaceship. We were under attack ...

As I walked down the hall in the space station. I couldn't believe I was seeing these strange ...

Our Story

You have finished the five steps of writing and illustrating a story. We bet you created a great story! Want to see ours? Turn the page and take a peek.

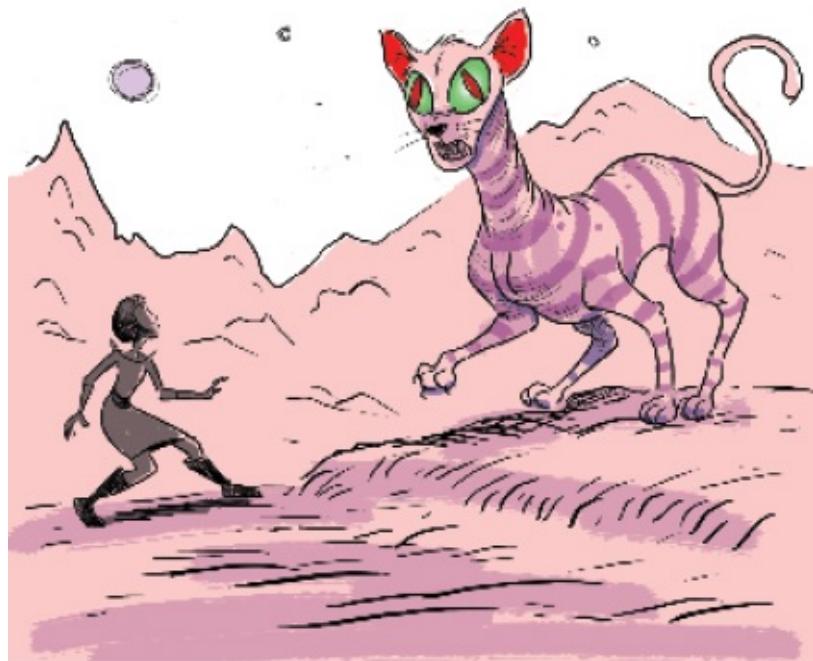
Astrodog Saves the Day



Astrogirl stumbled from the smoking wreckage of her spaceship. The engines had been badly damaged during the meteor shower, and she had barely made it to the planet's surface before they lost all power.

"Where do you think we are, boy?" she asked her trusted companion, Astrodog. But when she looked down, he was not there. Astrogirl looked around—nothing. Astrodog had disappeared!

"Just great," she muttered. "First a crashed spaceship, and now a missing dog."



She began to search. “Astrodog! Where are you?” she called as she walked up a small hill. But when she got to the top, what she saw stopped her dead in her tracks.

She was face-to-face with the strangest looking cats she had ever seen. They had the body of a cat, but their huge eyes were neon green, and their stripes were bright shades of purple and blue.

Astrogirl gasped. “Catarians!” She had learned about this alien species in space school. And although they might look like exotic pets, they were some of the meanest creatures in the galaxy.



Astrogirl was in big trouble. The Catarians began to move closer to her, hissing and bearing their sharp claws.

Thinking fast, Astrogirl pulled out her laser gun and aimed it at the largest Catarian. She fired. The laser bounced right off its catlike body. "Rats," she thought. "I forgot that Catarians are immune to laser beams!" Now what? If she didn't act fast, she'd be shredded to bits!



Suddenly, there was a noise behind them. They turned to see what it was. It was Astrodog! When he spotted the Catarians about to pounce on Astrogirl, he let out a blood-curling howl. The Catarians' hair stood on end, and they turned and ran away over the hills. "Of course," thought Astrogirl. "It's the one thing that space cats are not immune to—space dogs!"

Astrodog came bounding over to his owner and covered her face with dog kisses. Astrogirl laughed. "Boy, am I glad to see you! You saved the day! Now let's go fix that spaceship so we can get off this planet."

Astronaut

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2

Erase the dotted line
behind his helmet
and gloves.



3



4



Astrogirl

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Erase the dotted line
behind her lasers,
boots, and neck.

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Astrodog

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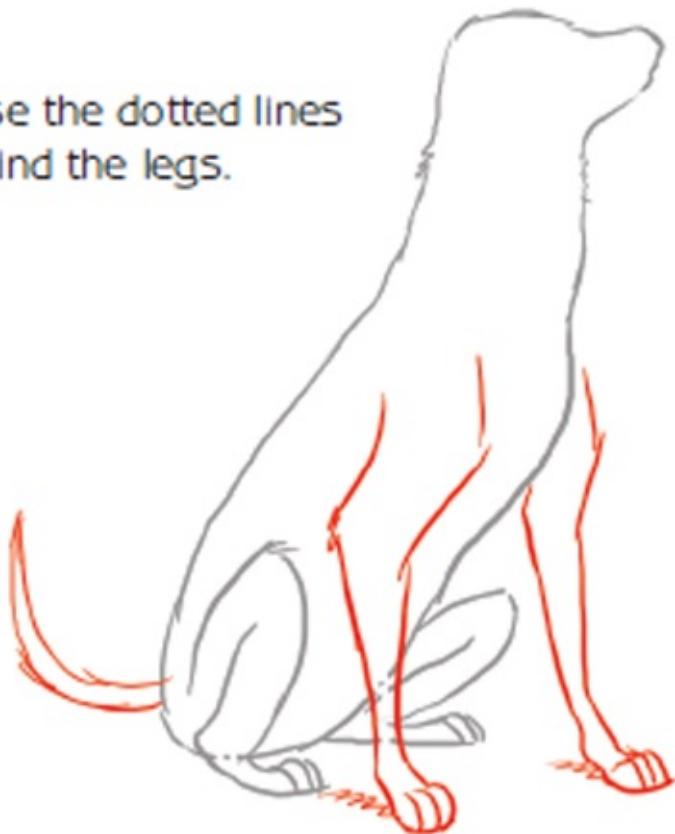
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The legs are always tricky,
so take your time.



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Erase the dotted lines
behind the legs.



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Erase the dotted
line behind the ears
and spacesuit.



4



Spacesuit

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Erase the dotted line
behind the gloves.

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Erase the dotted
line behind the
helmet.



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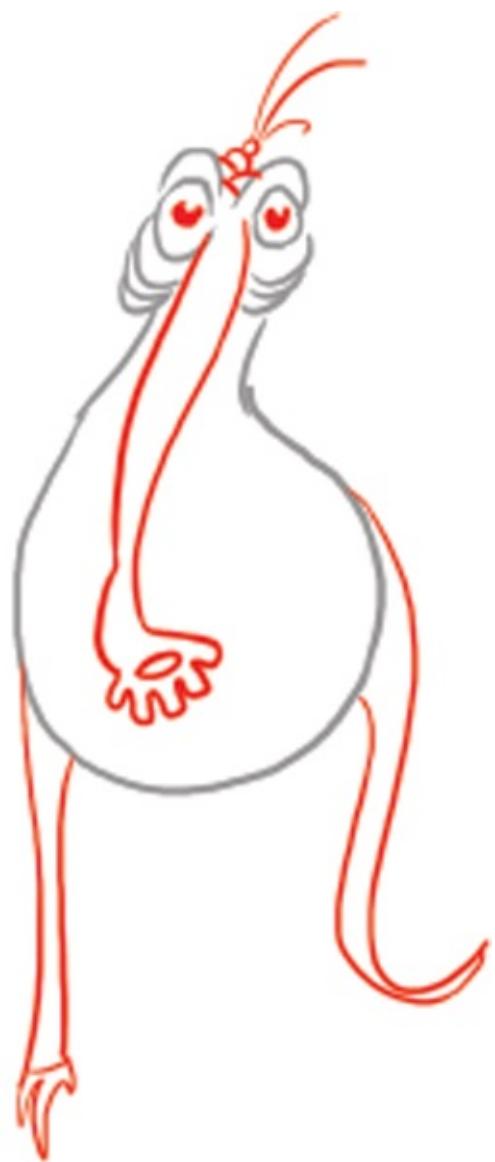
Snarkle

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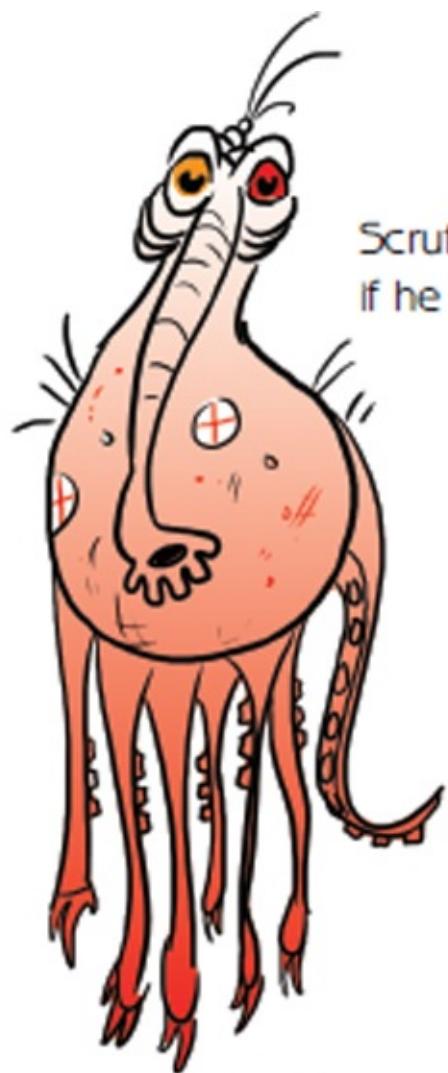


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Add sticky
tentacles.

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Scruff him up a bit
if he looks too clean.

Blinky

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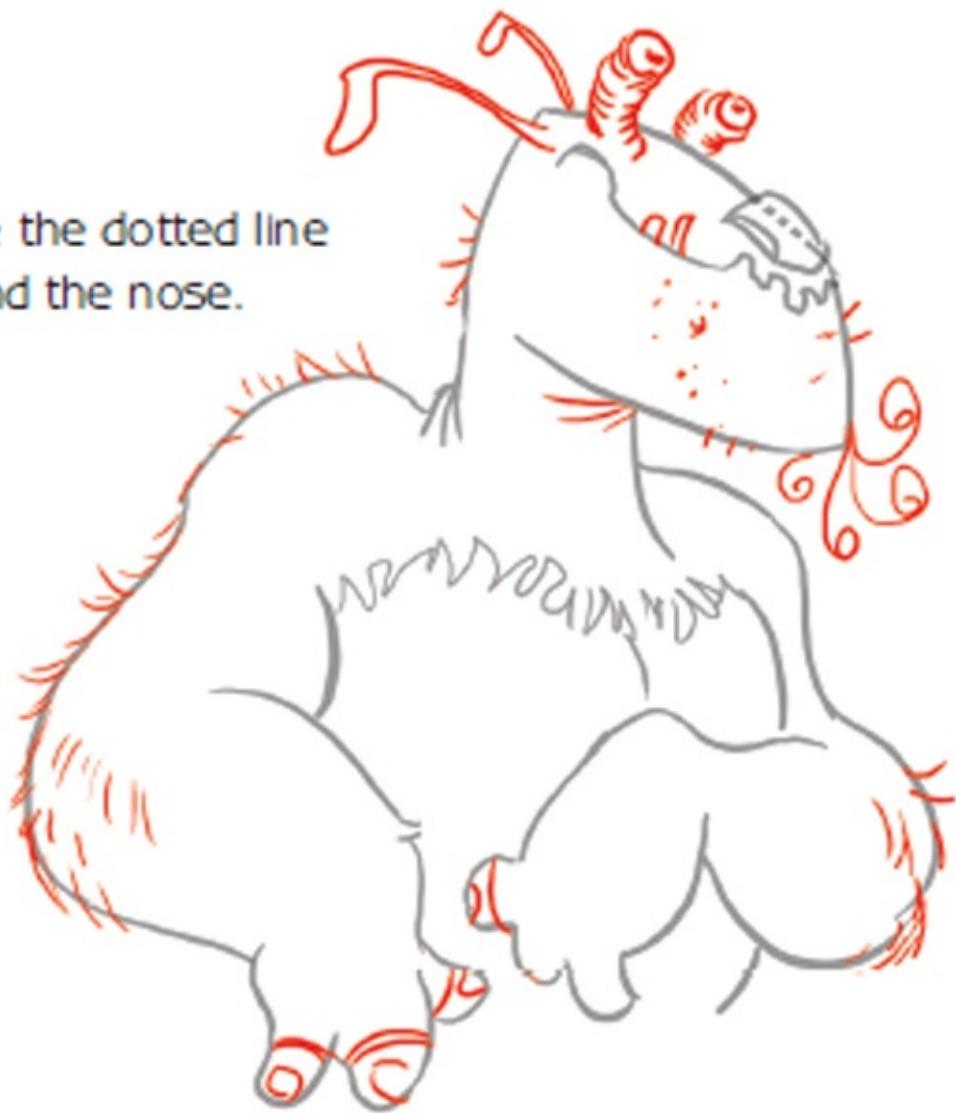


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Erase the dotted line
behind the nose.



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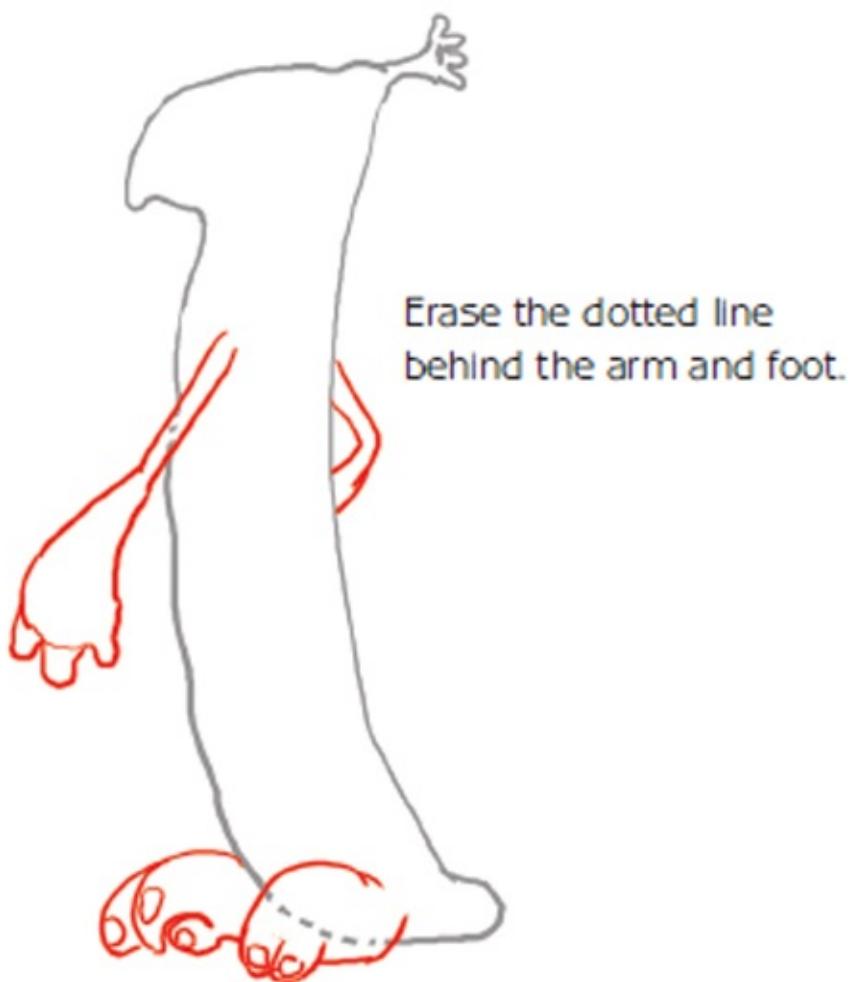
Dogger

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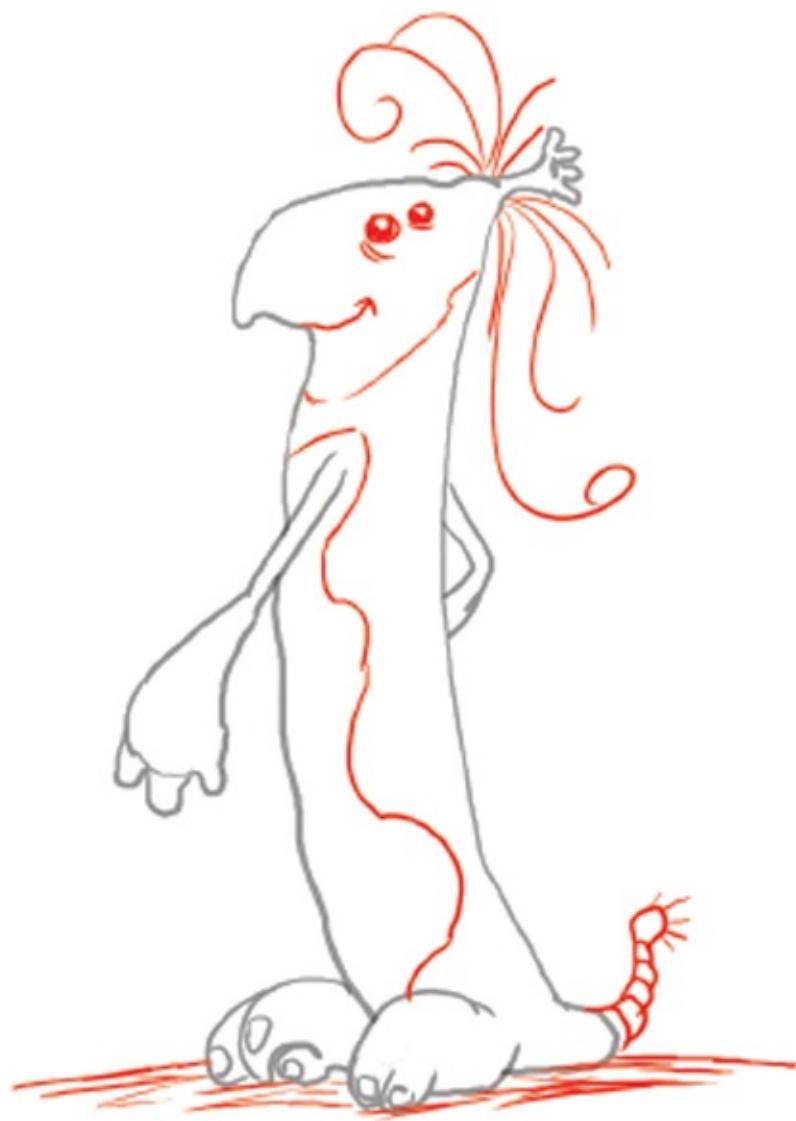
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Goobie

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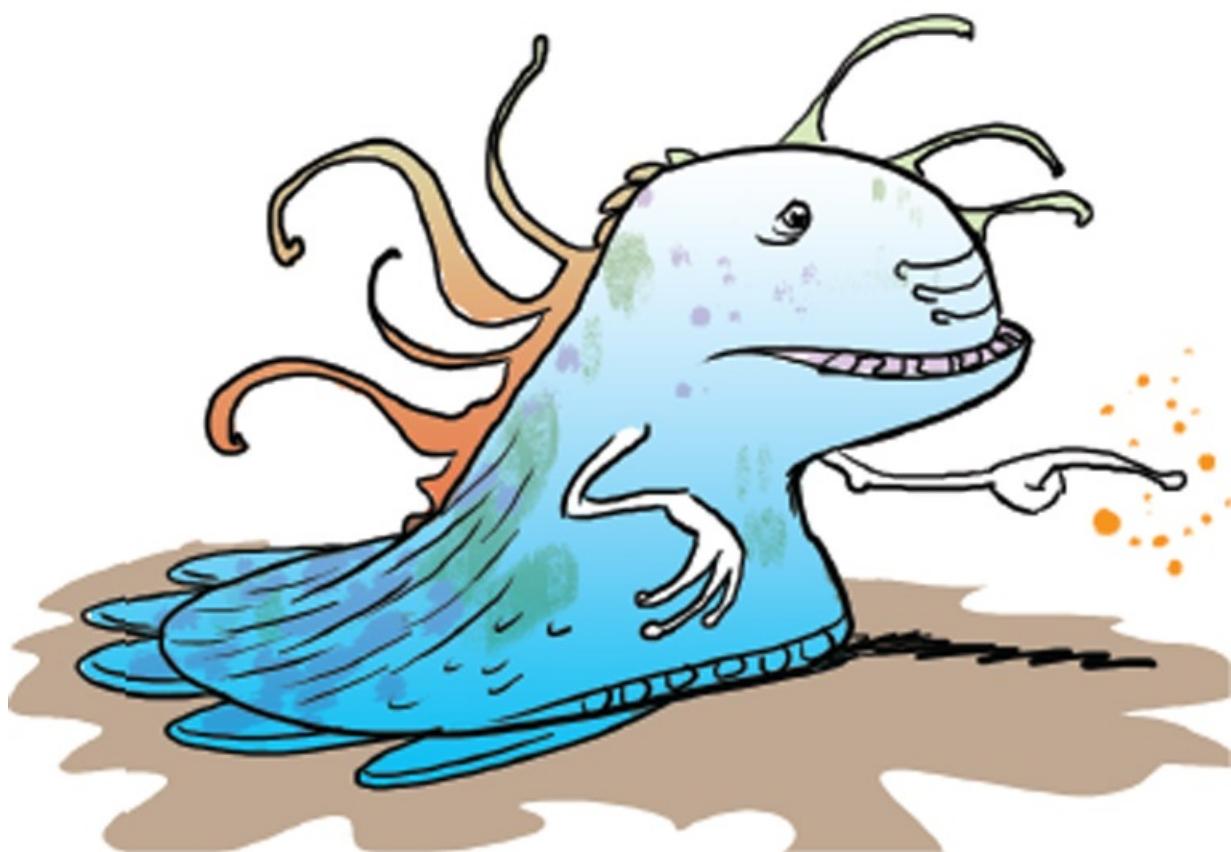
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Bleet

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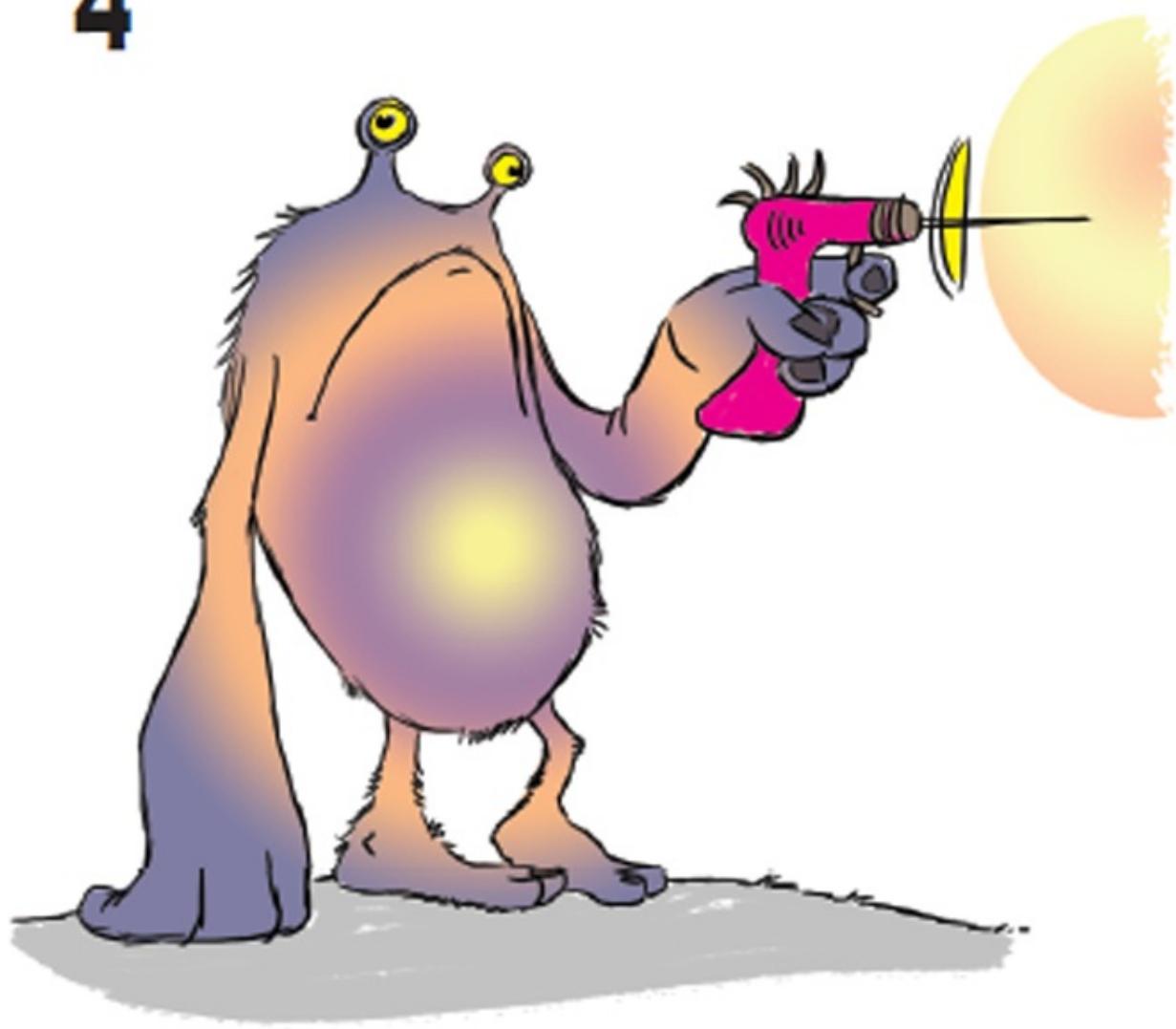


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Erase the dotted line behind the gun, eye, and arm.



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Catarian

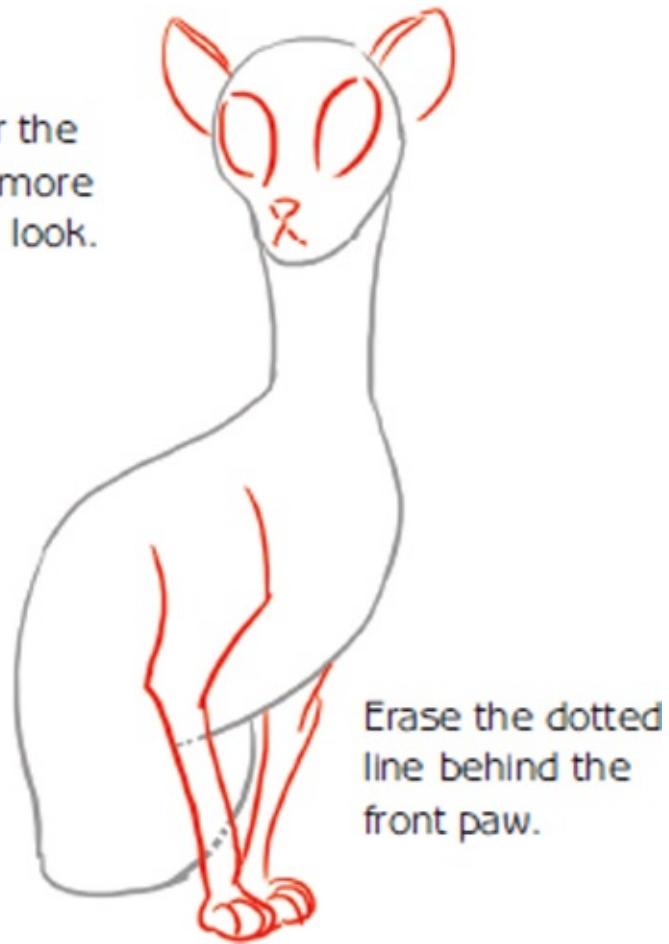
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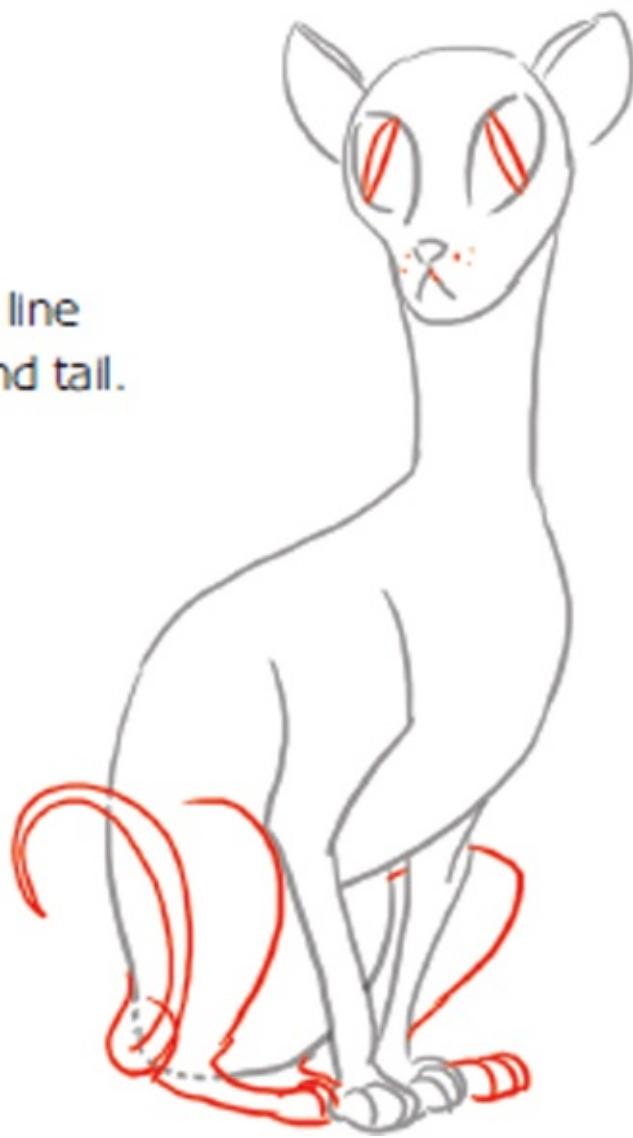
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The bigger the eyes, the more alien she'll look.



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Erase the dotted line
behind the leg and tail.



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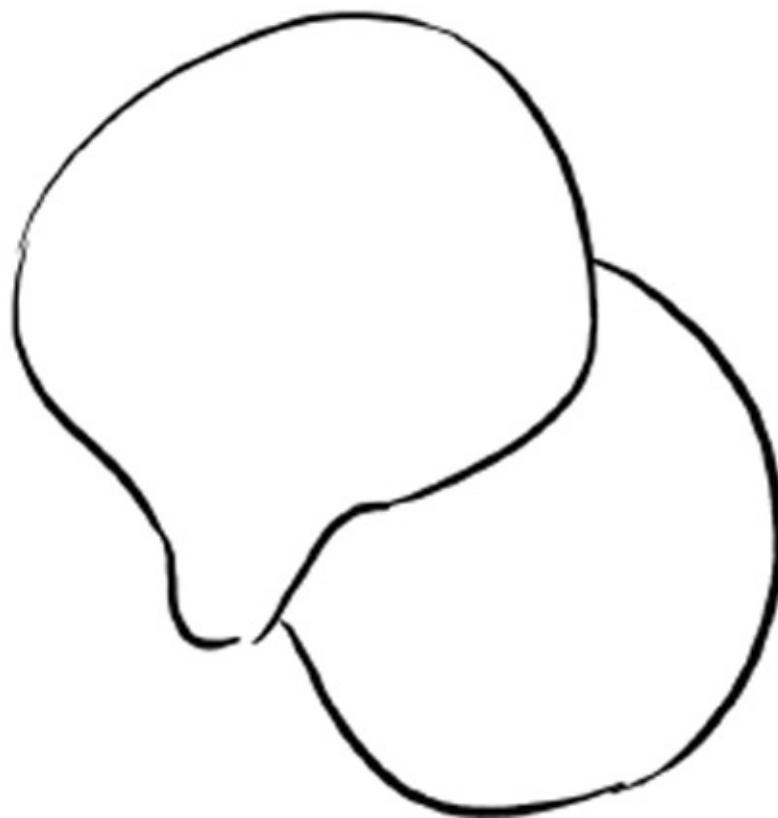


Try your own
crazy color
combination!

Visilla

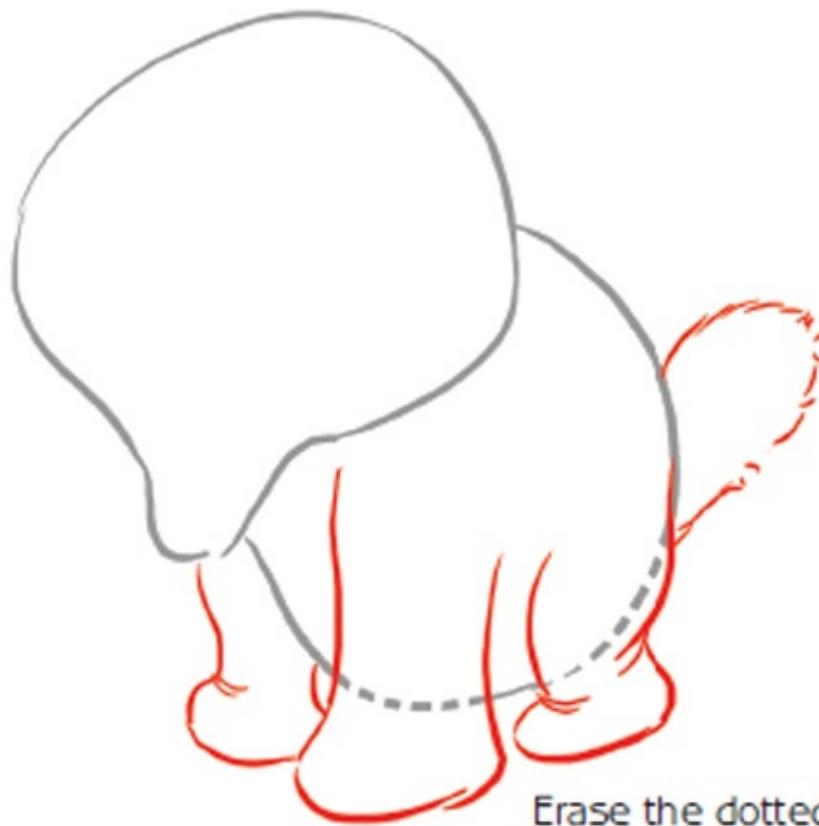
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Make her head and feet big
so she looks young.



Erase the dotted line
behind her legs.

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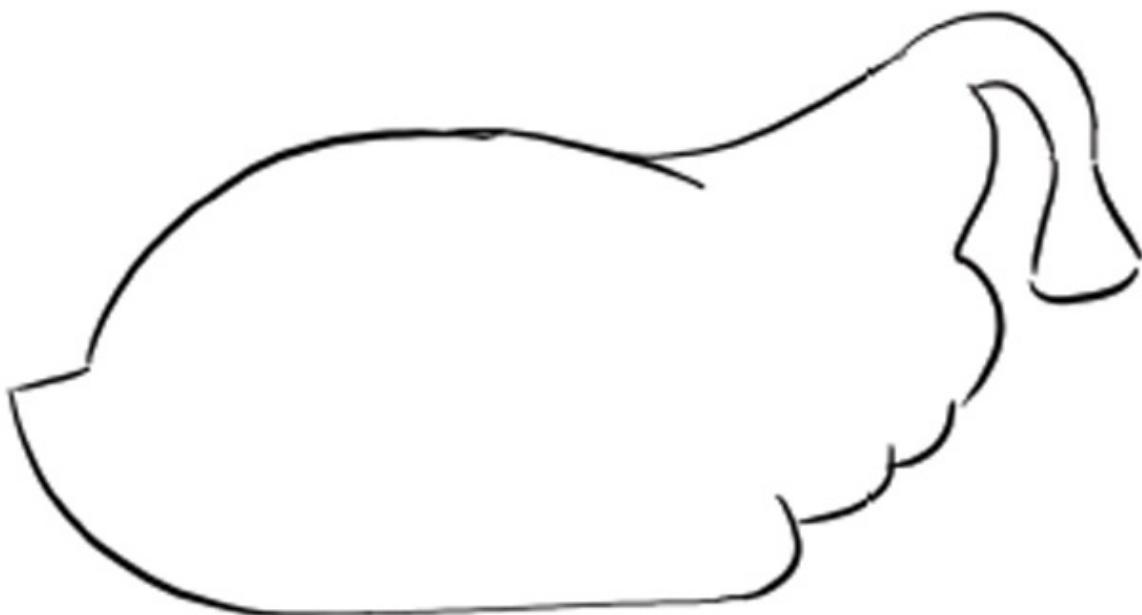


Buzzer

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Take your time with this shape.

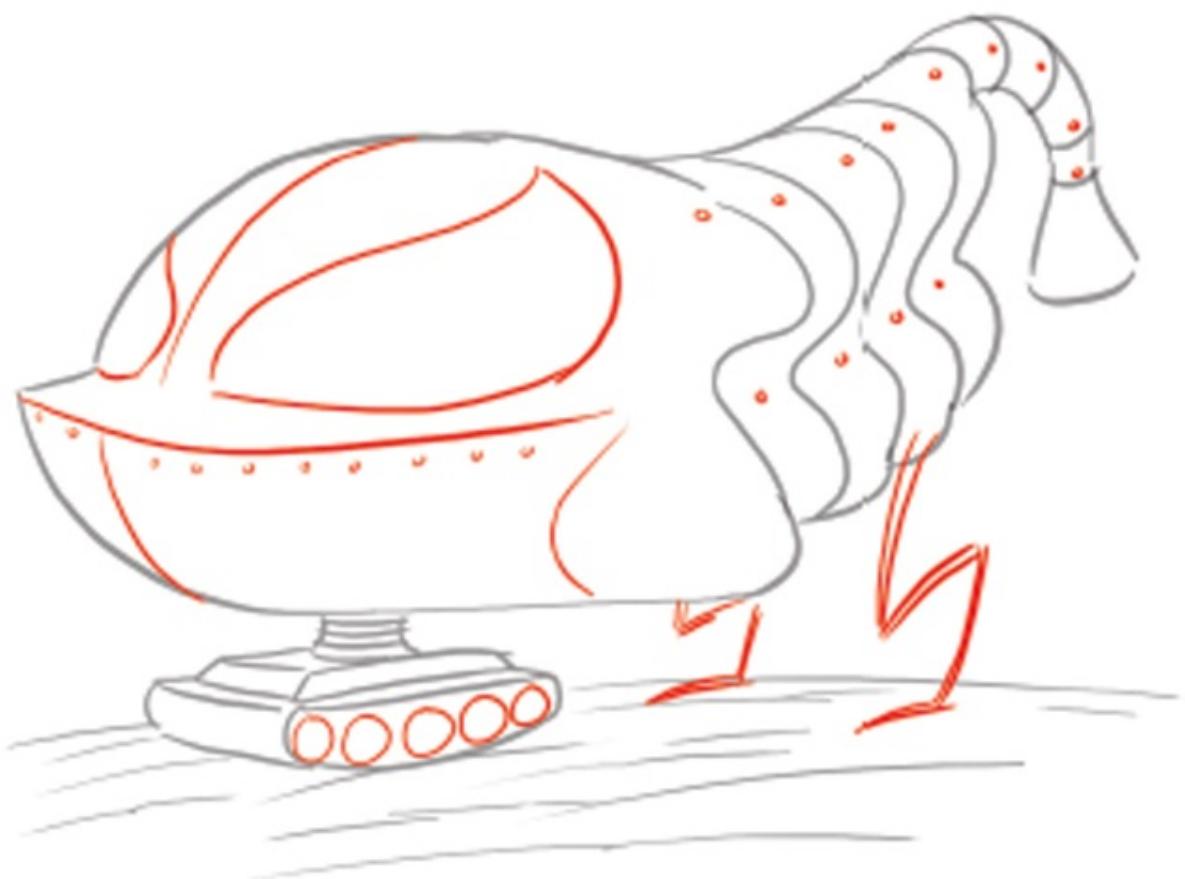


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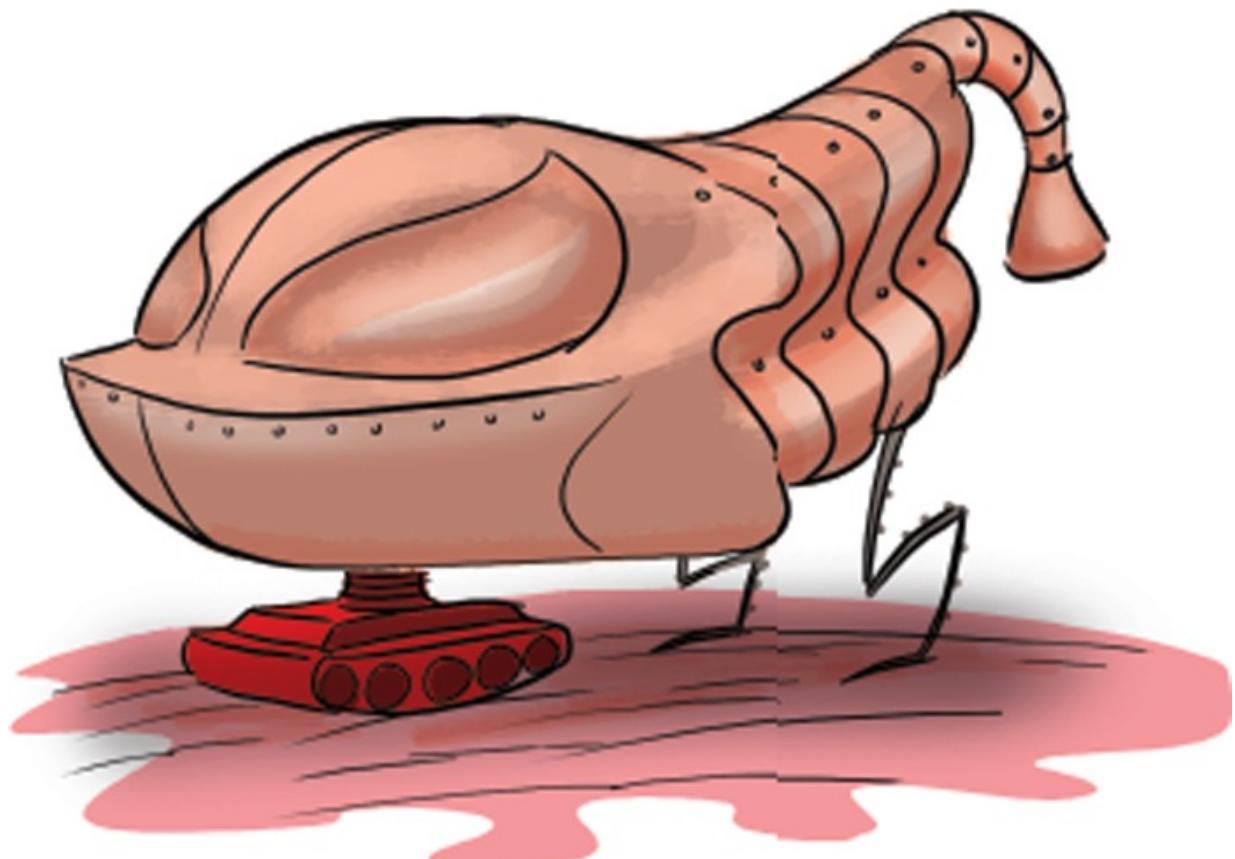
Then the details are easy!



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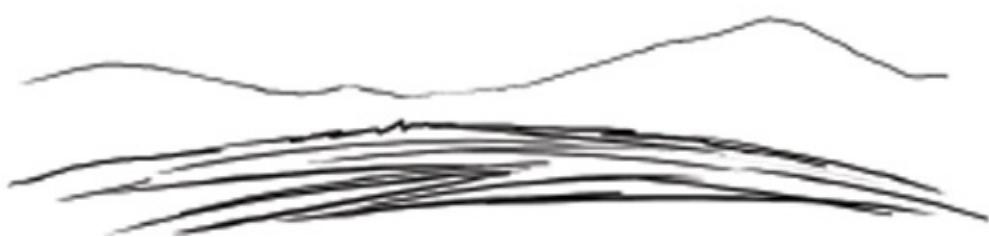


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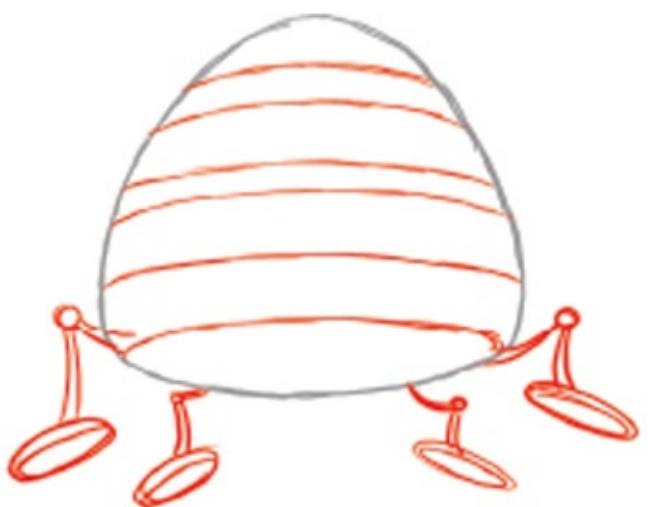
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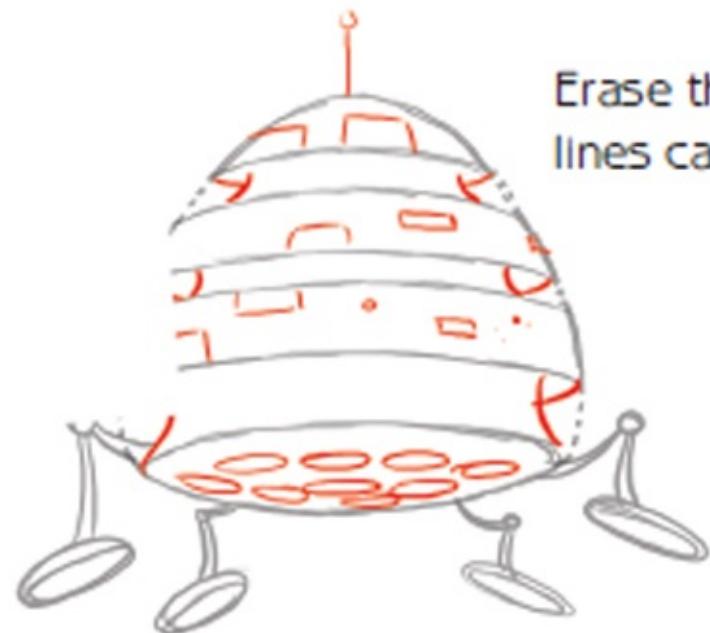
Start with a rounded triangle shape.



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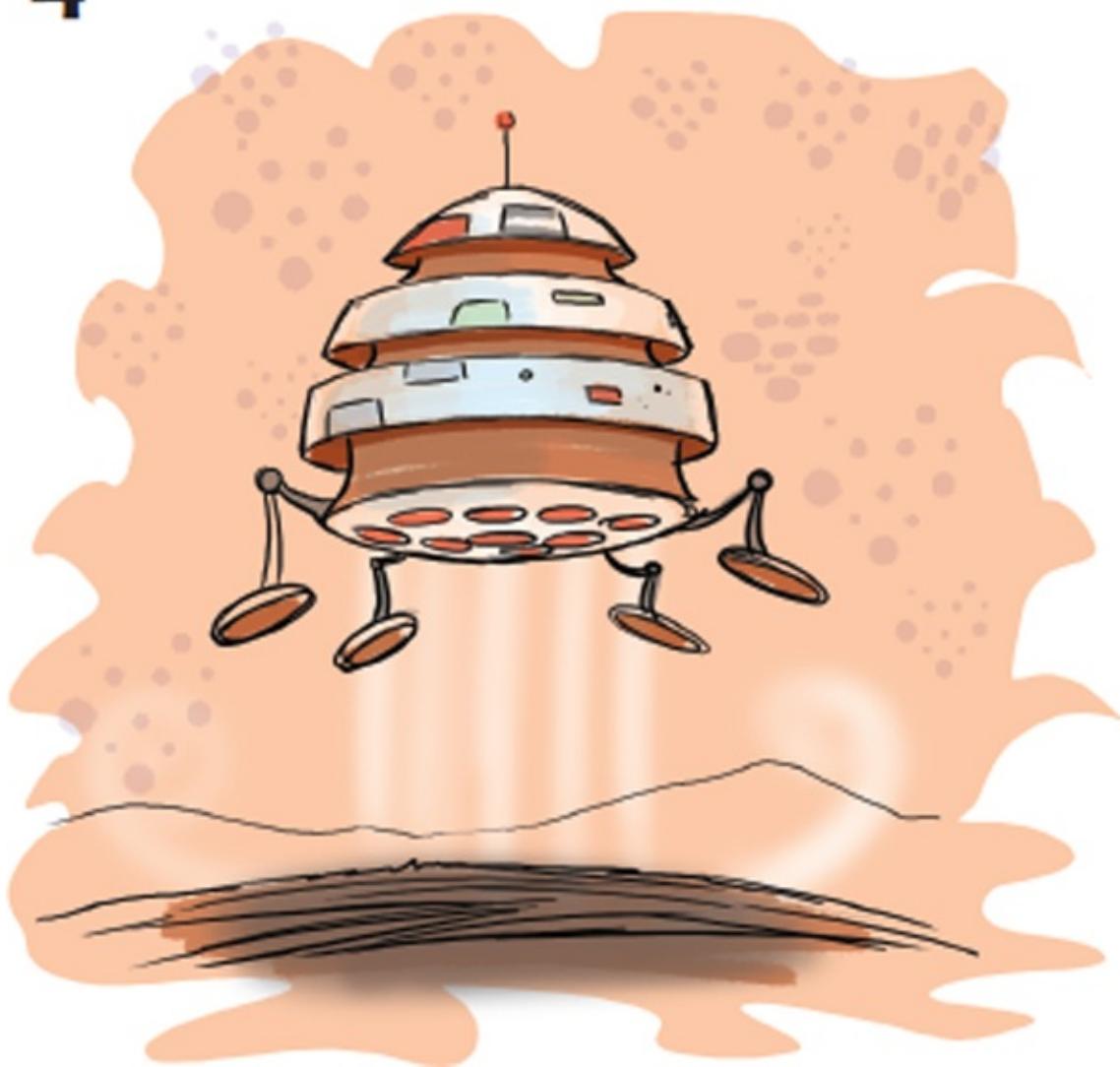
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Erase the dotted
lines carefully.



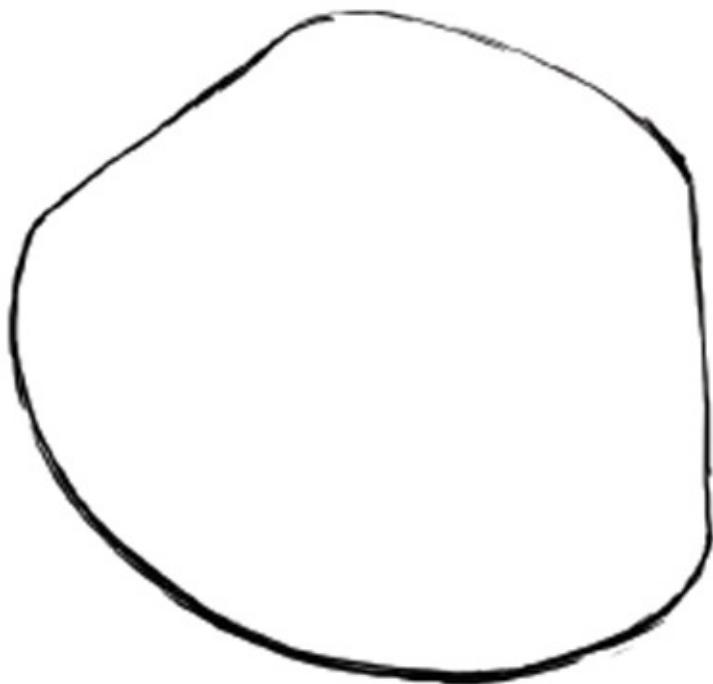
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Space Capsule

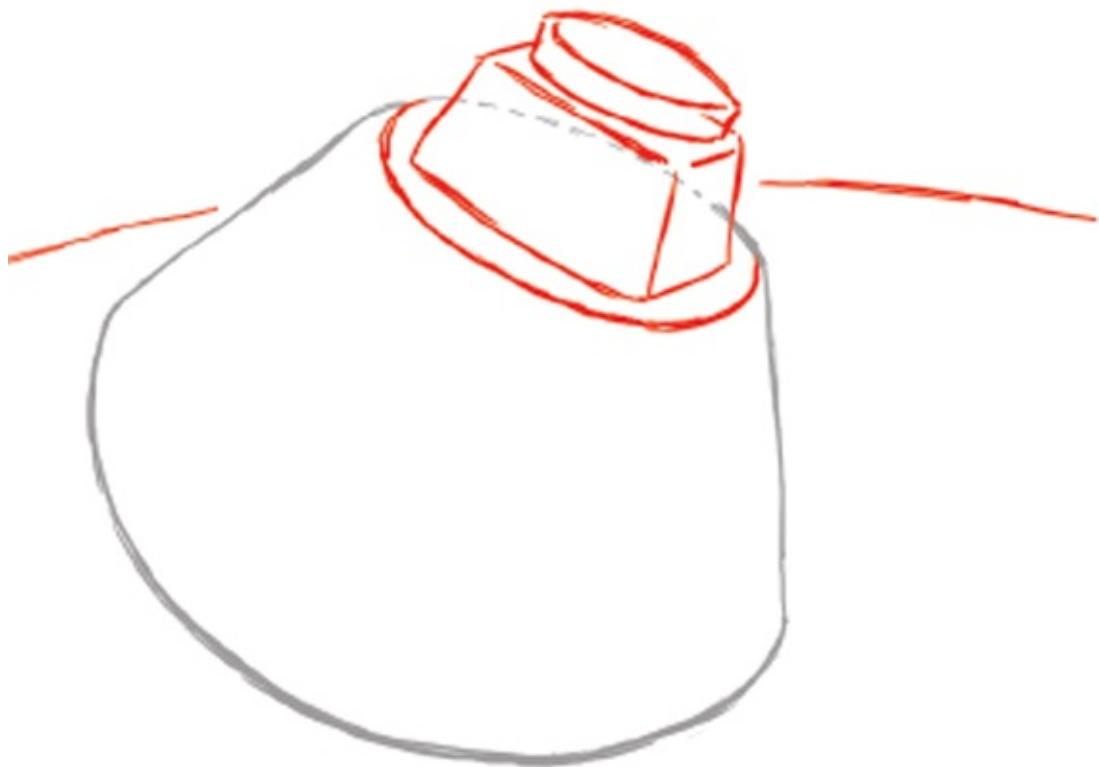
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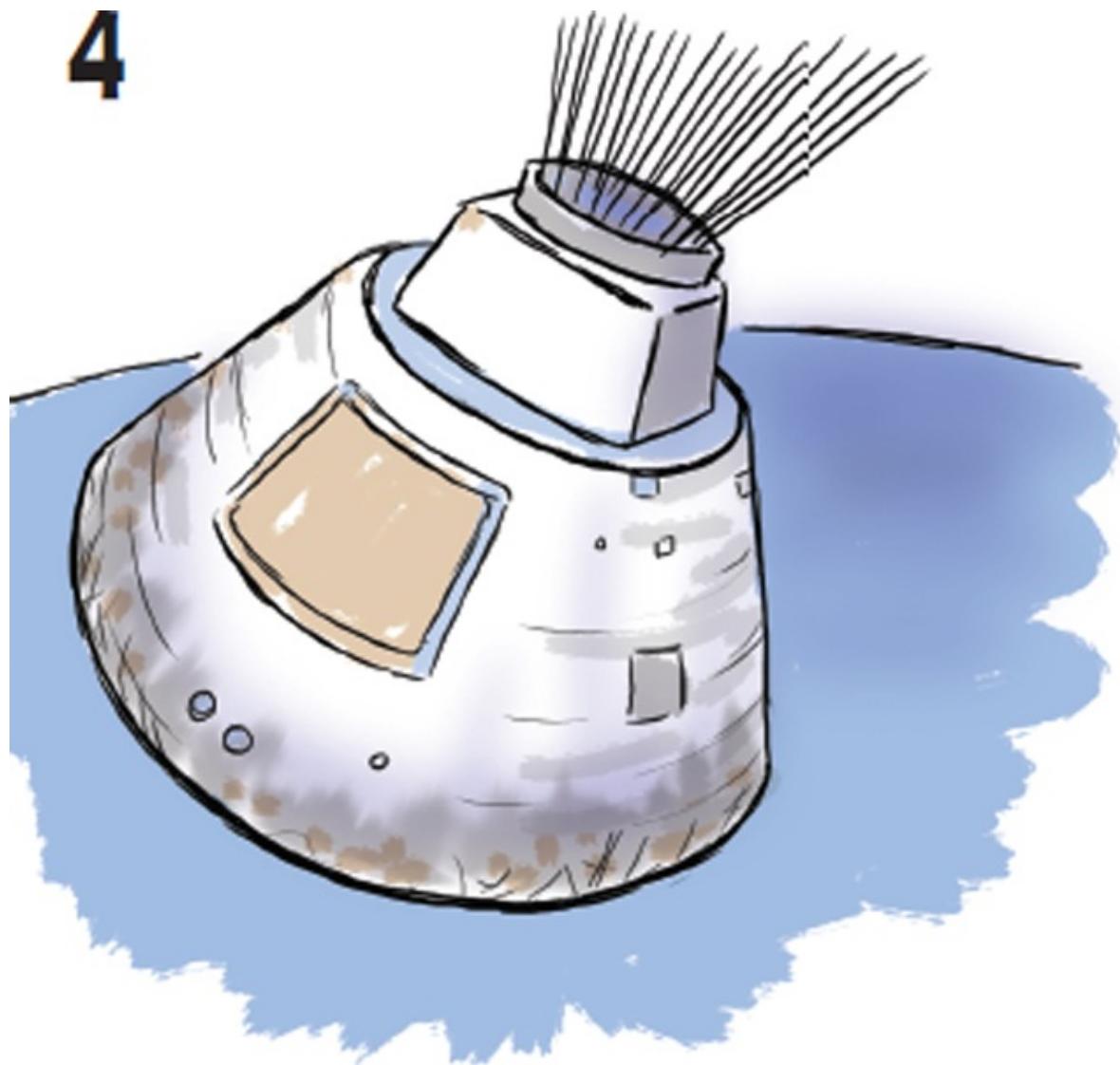
Erase the dotted line behind the cube shape.



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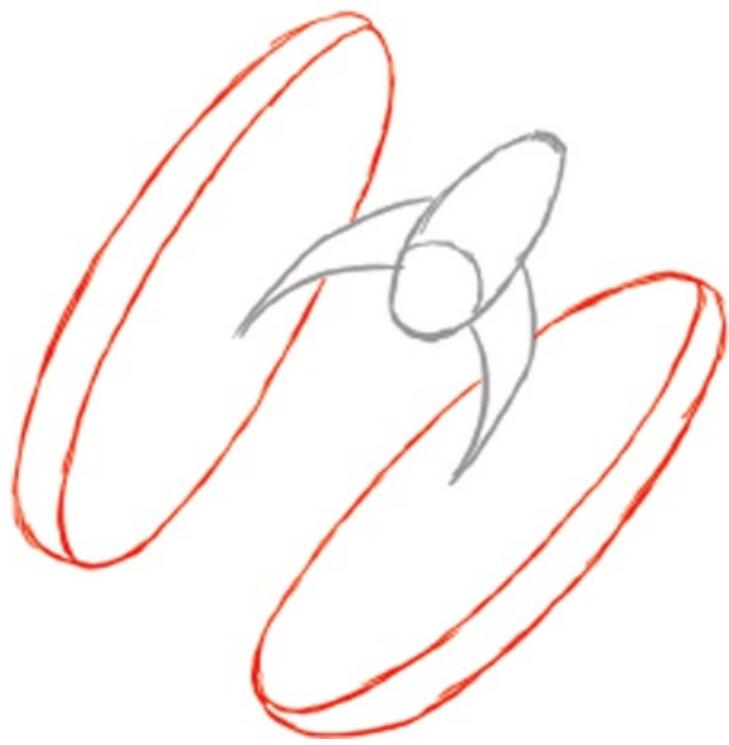
Crasher

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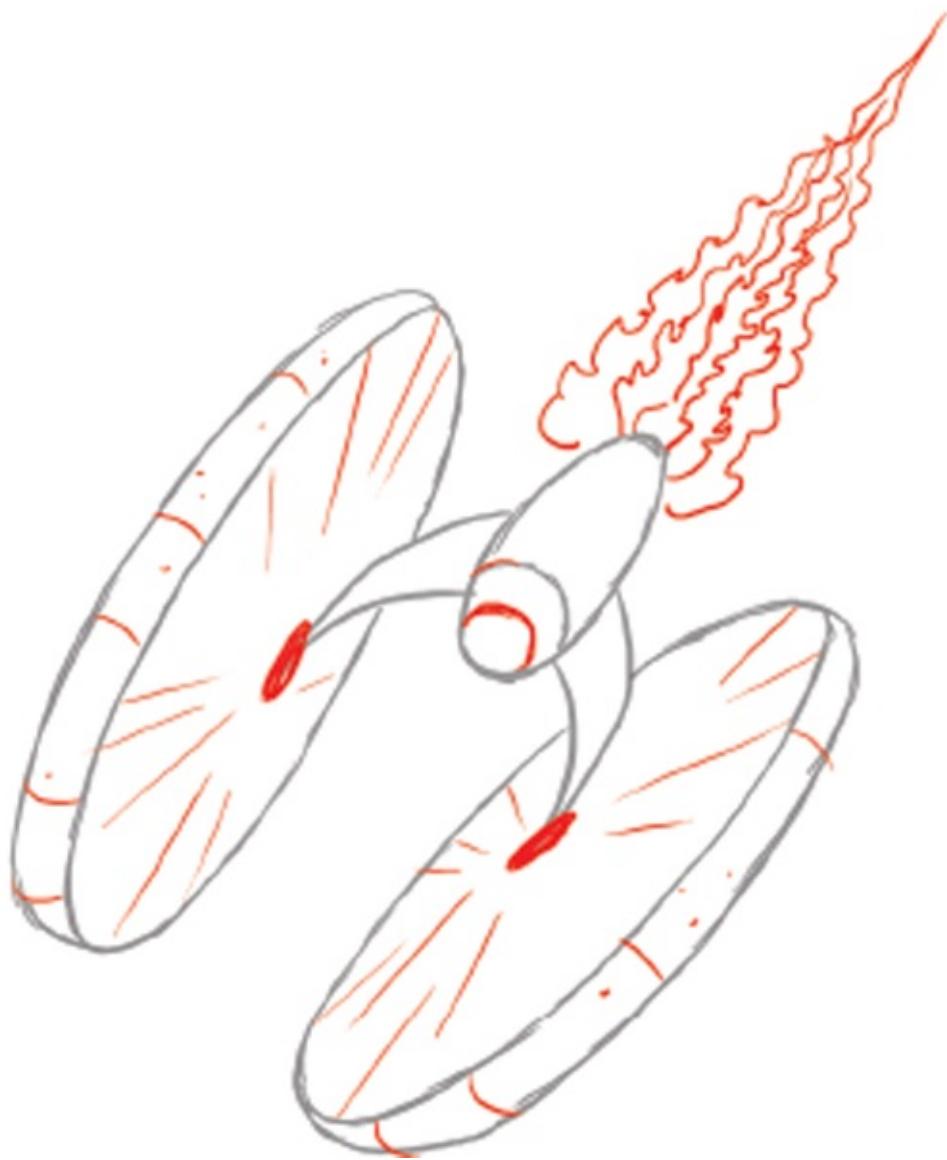
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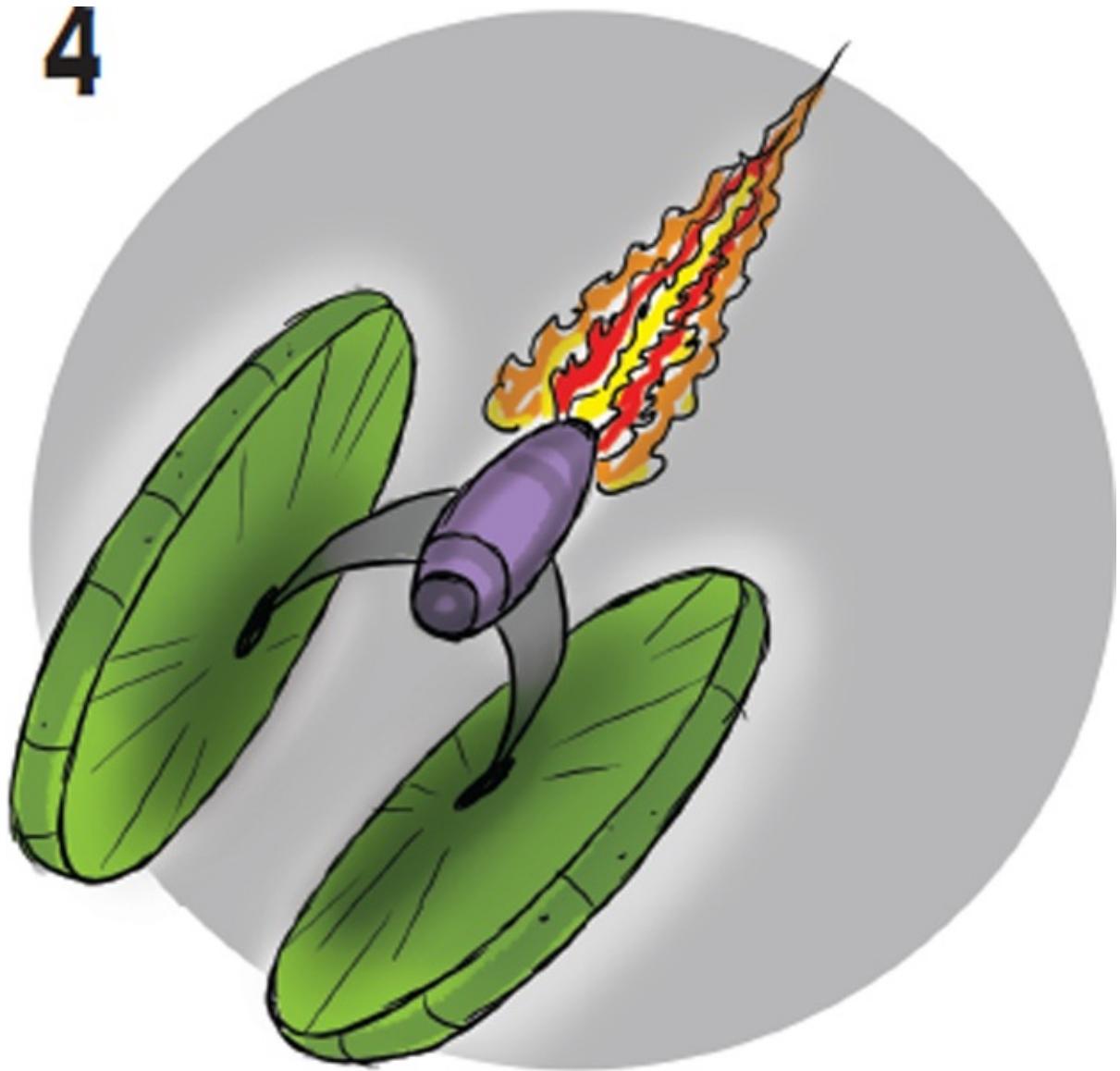
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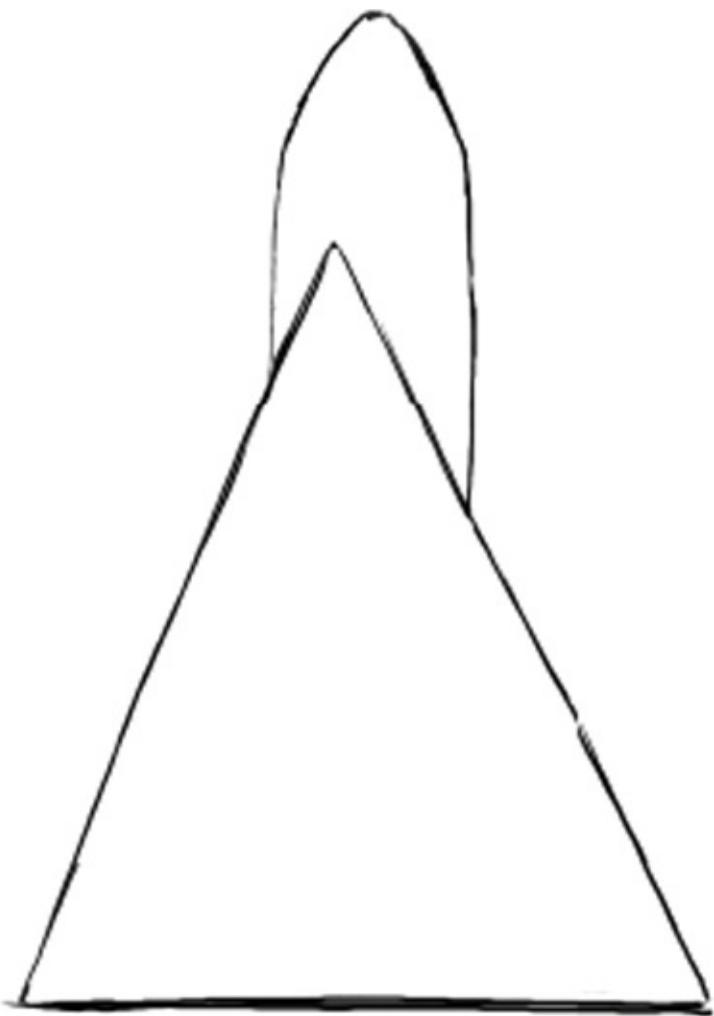
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Space Shuttle

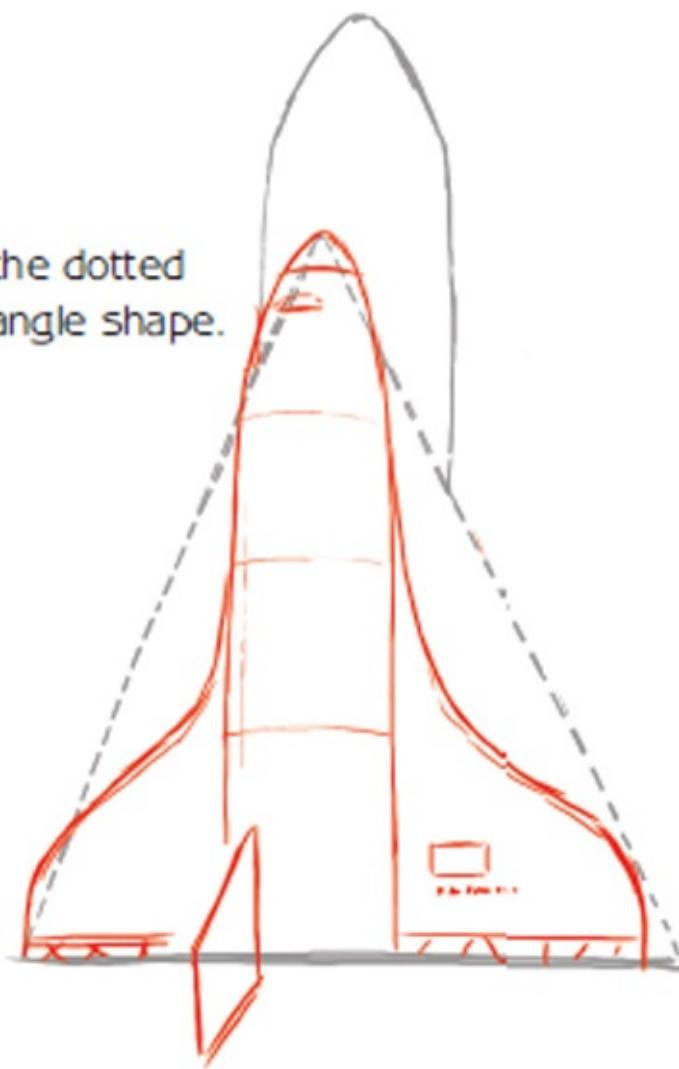
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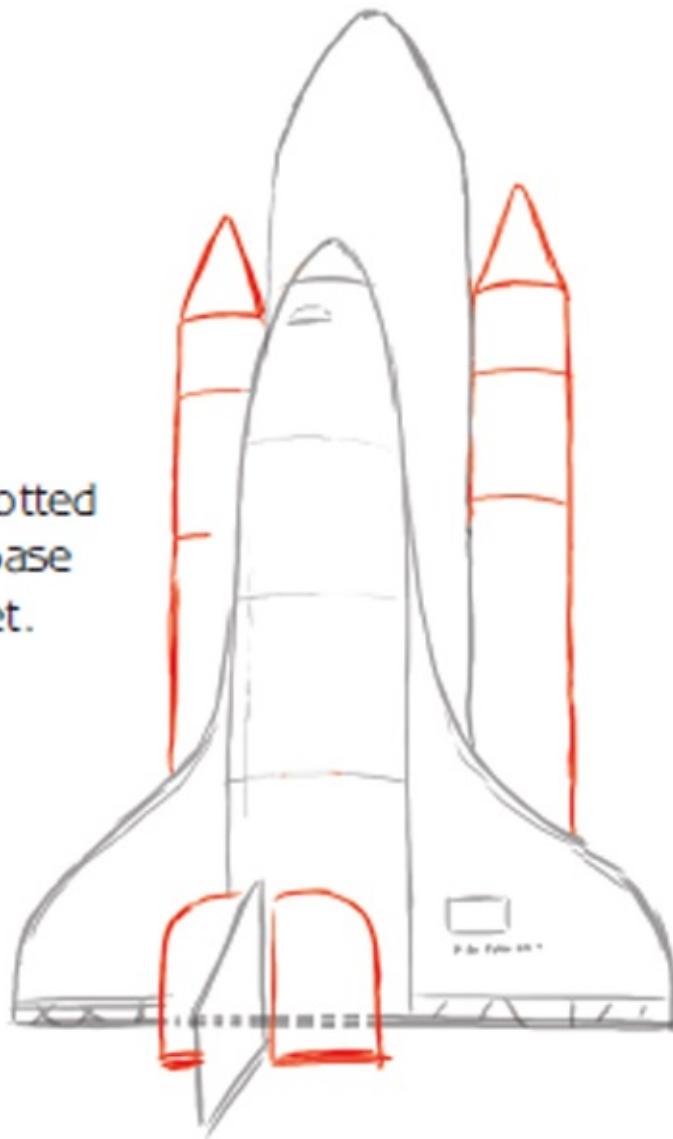
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Erase the dotted
line triangle shape.

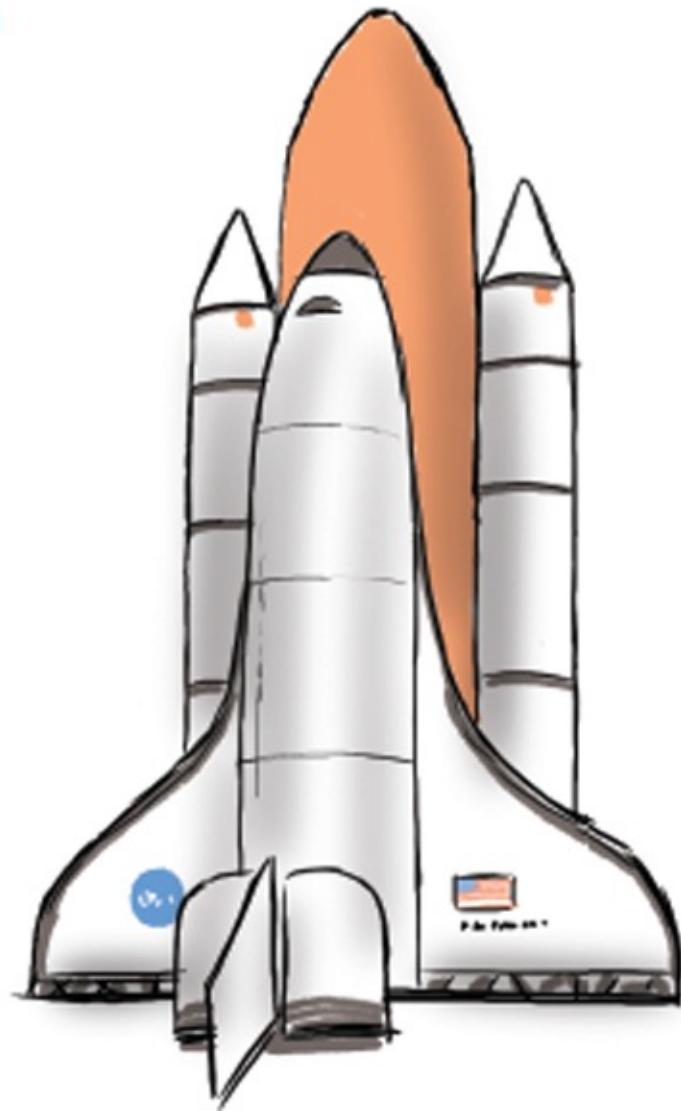


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Erase the dotted
line at the base
of the rocket.



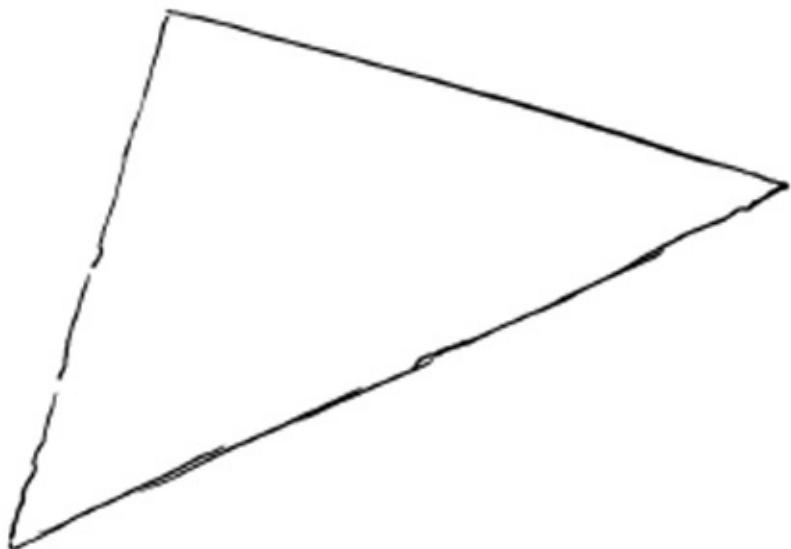
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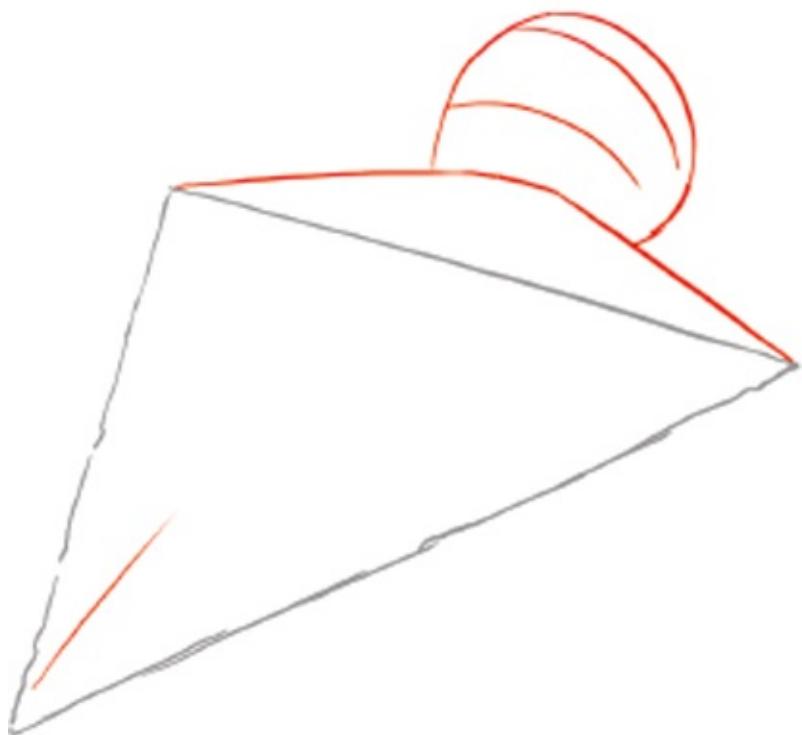
Fighter

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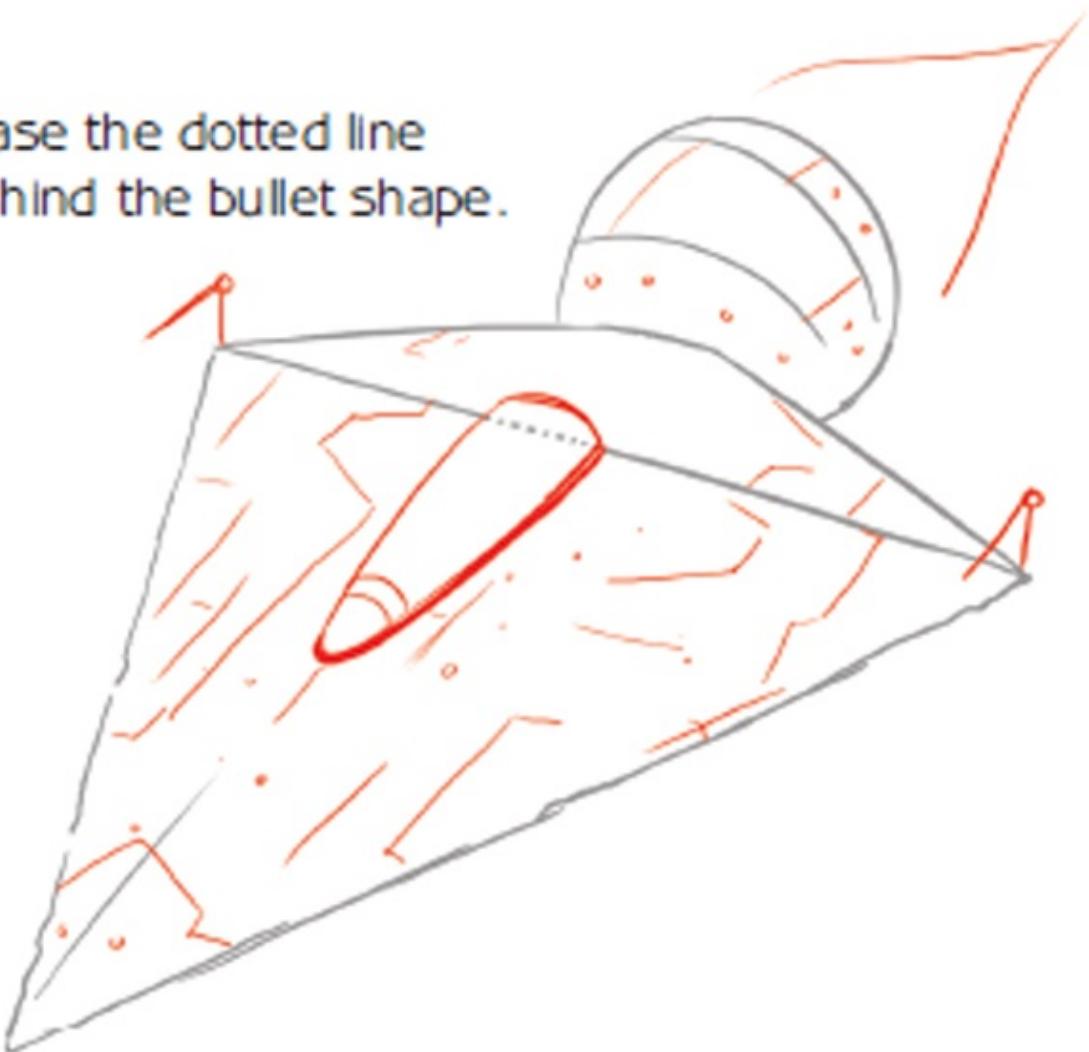


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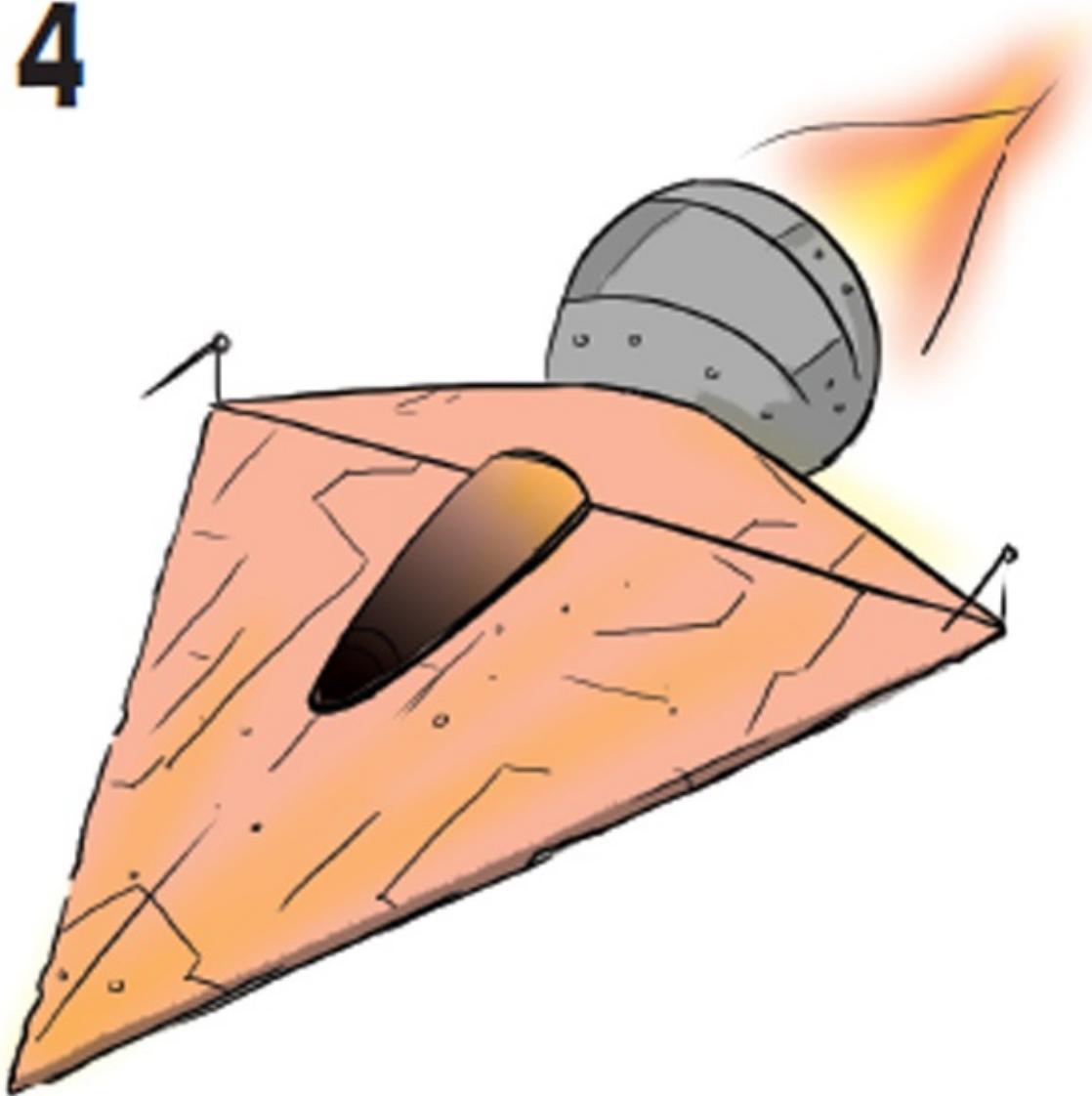


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Erase the dotted line
behind the bullet shape.



4



Rocket

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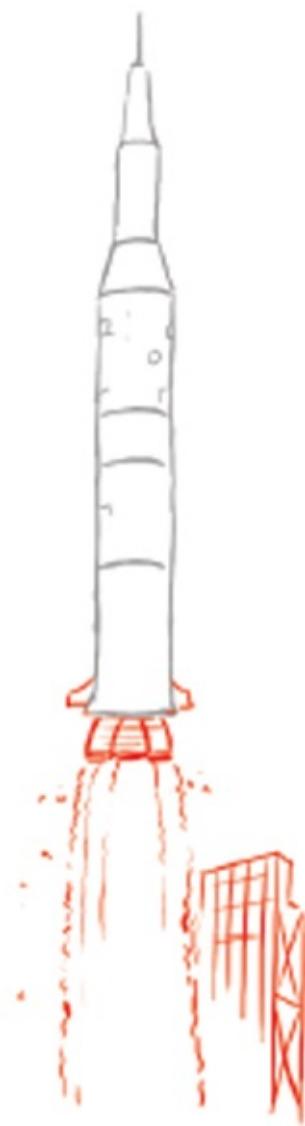
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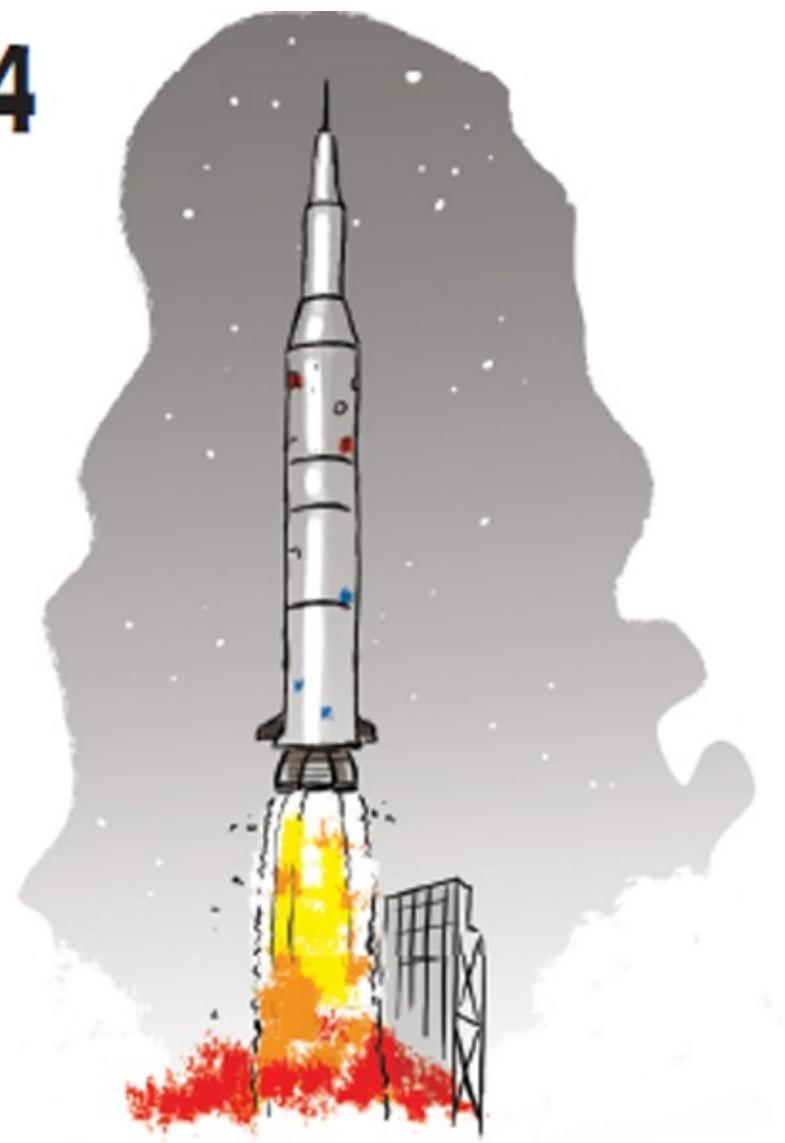
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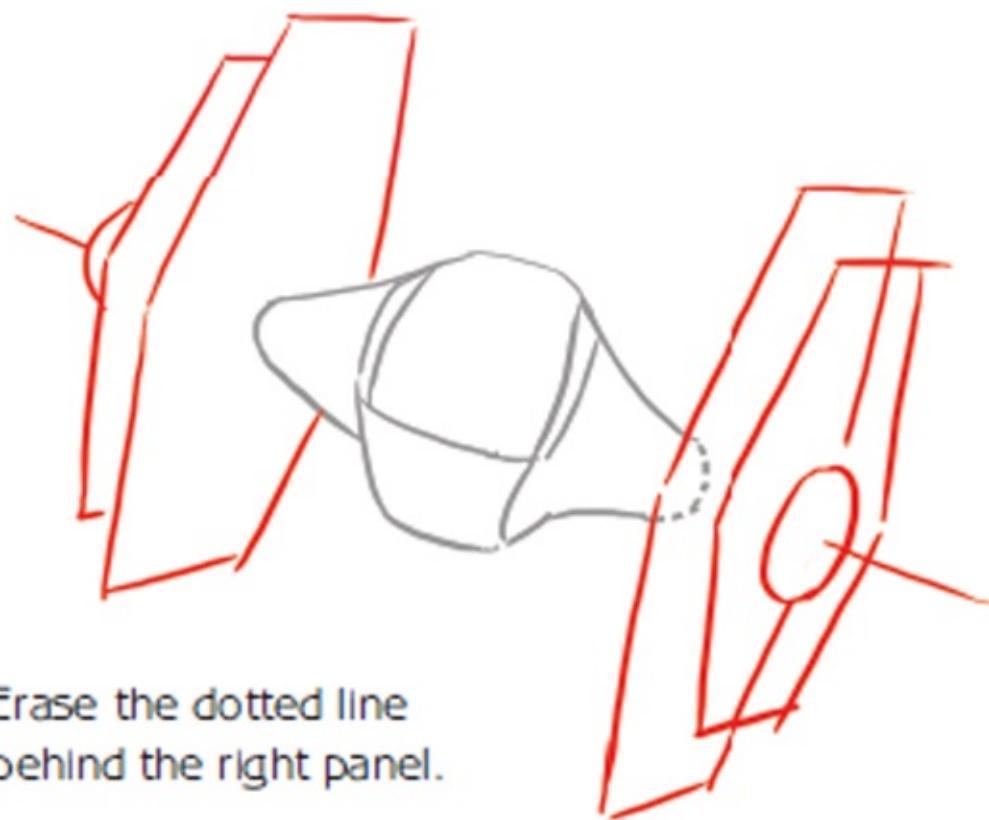
Satellite

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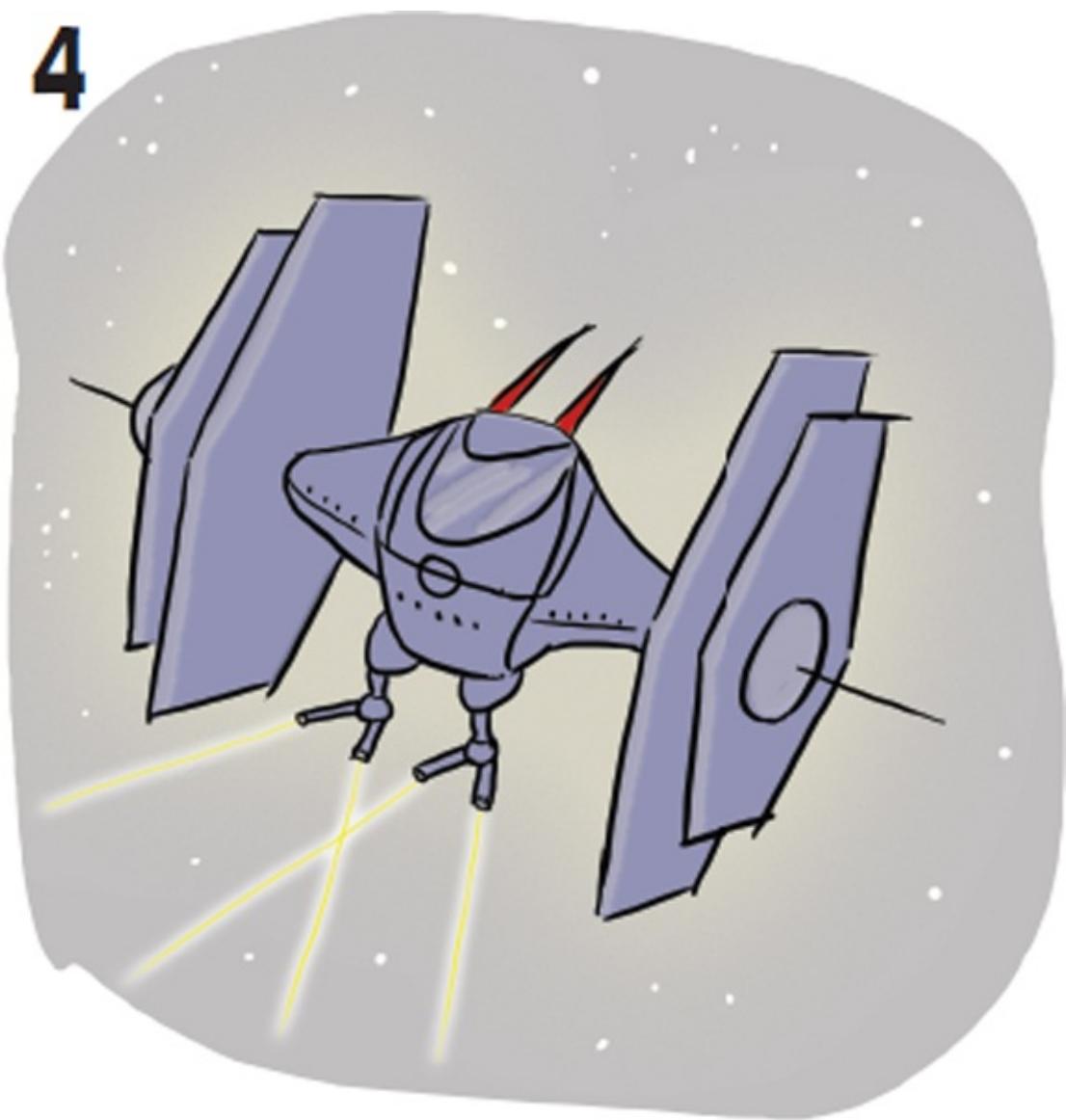
Erase the dotted line
behind the right panel.

3

Erase the long dotted
line behind the panel.



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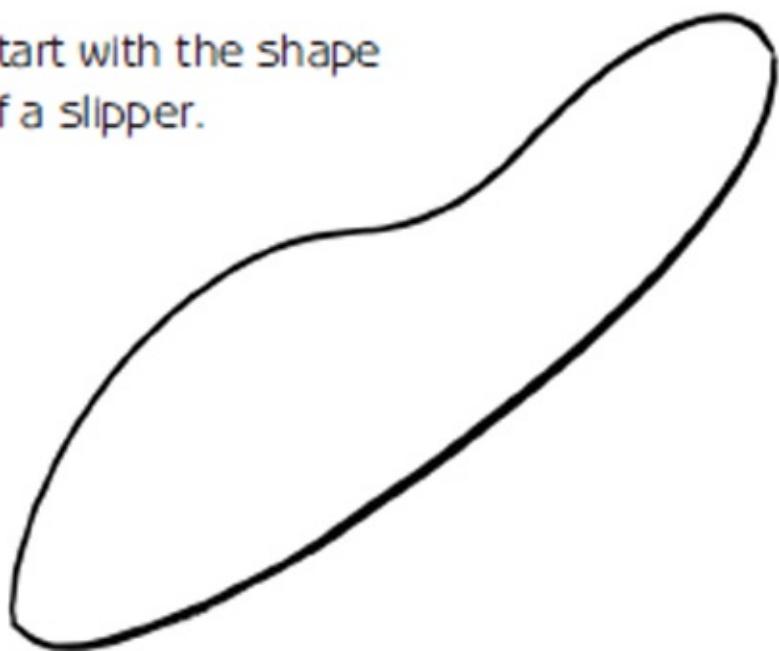


Ninja Fighter

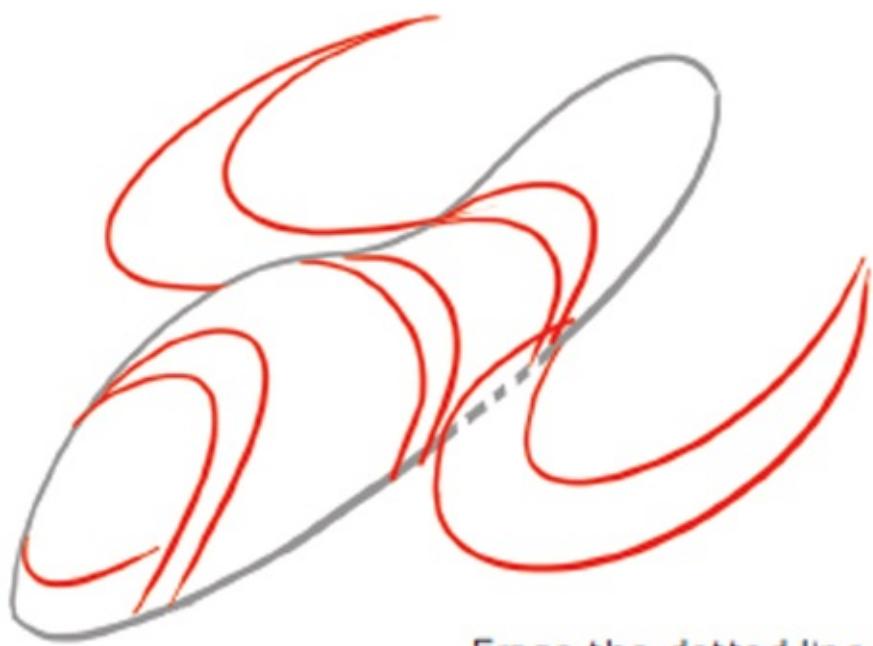
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Start with the shape
of a slipper.



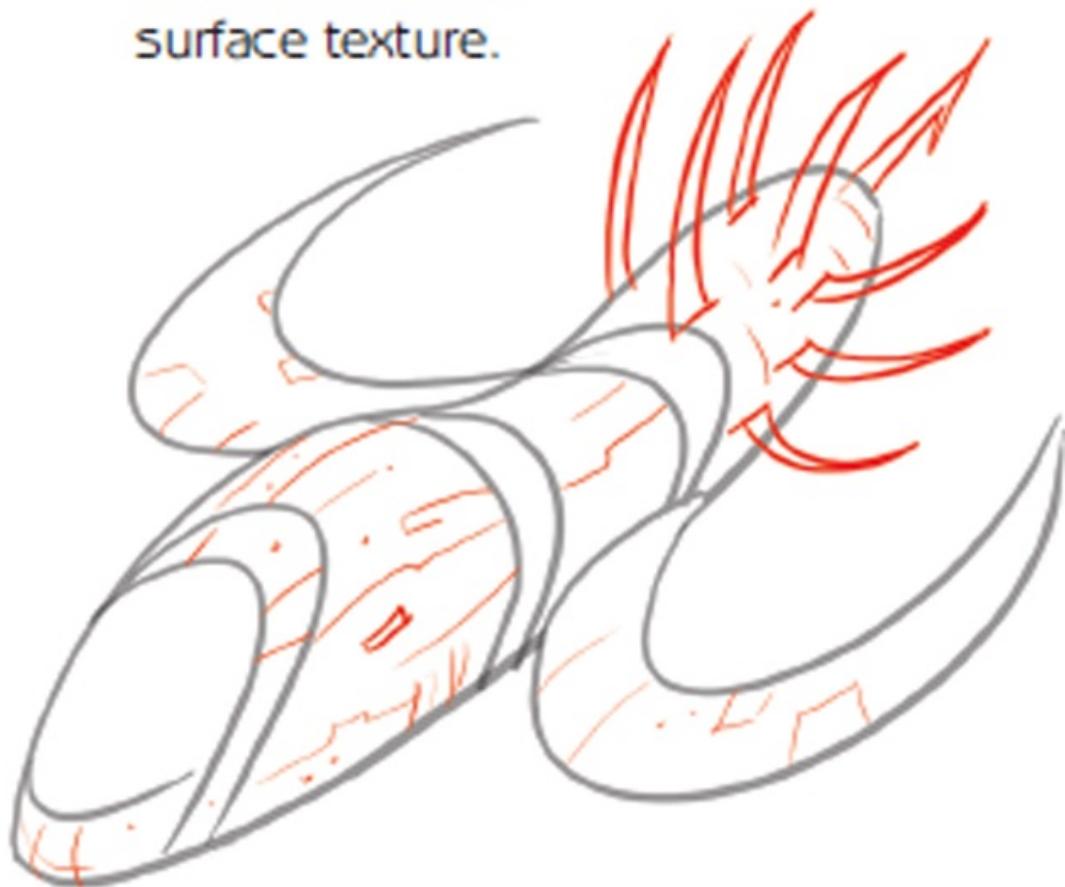
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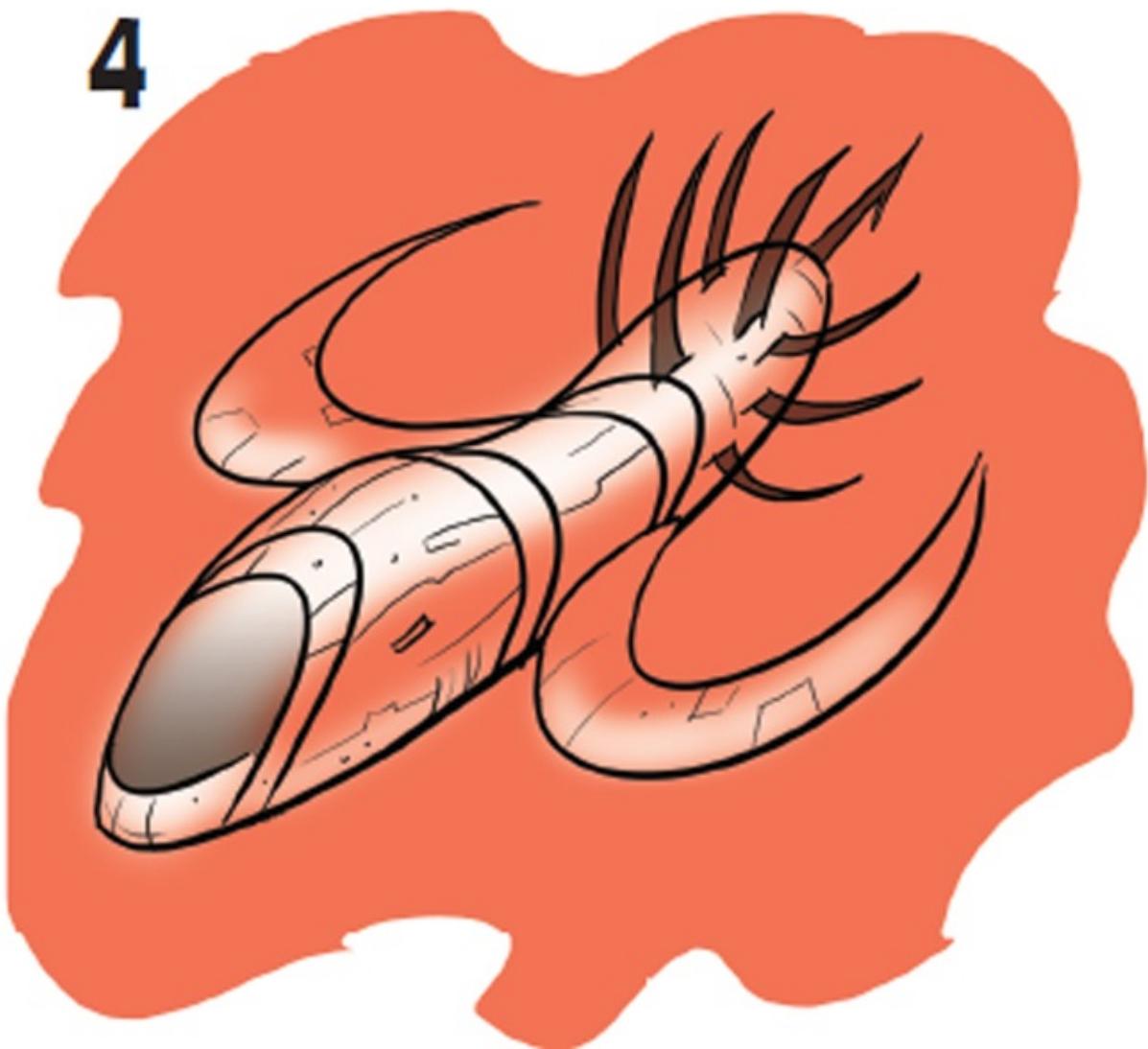
Erase the dotted line
behind the right wing.

3

Use thin lines for surface texture.



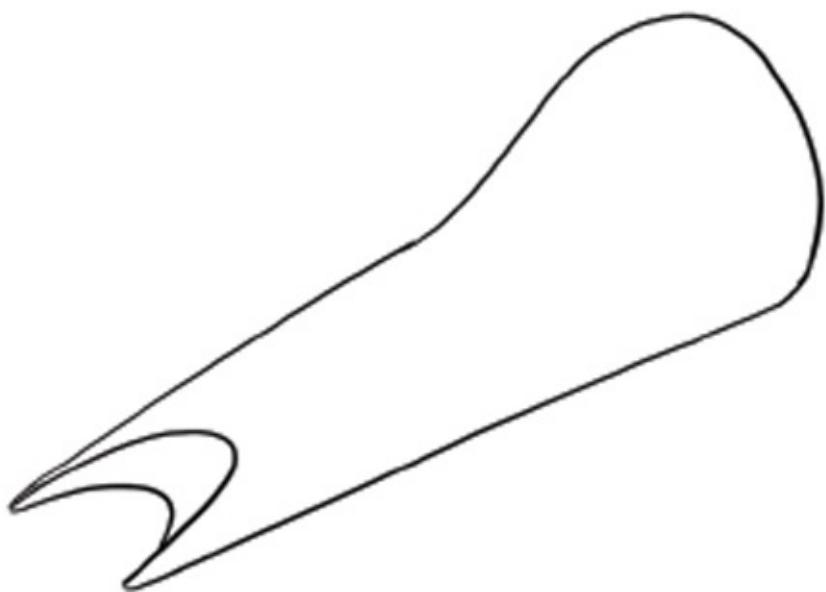
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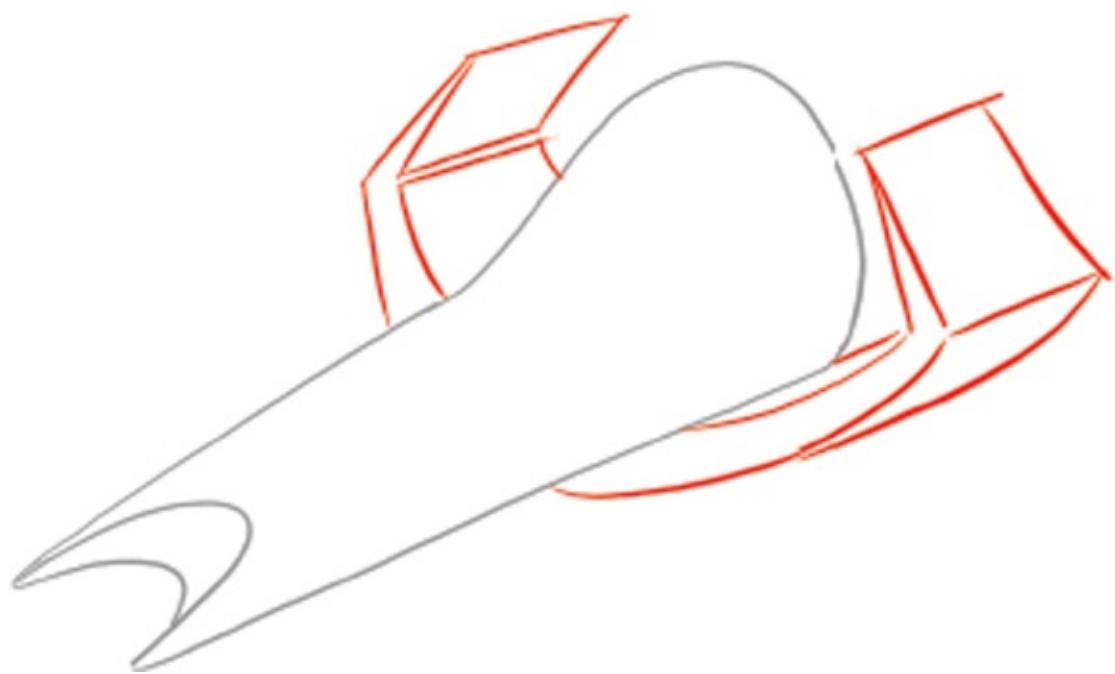
Turbo Fighter

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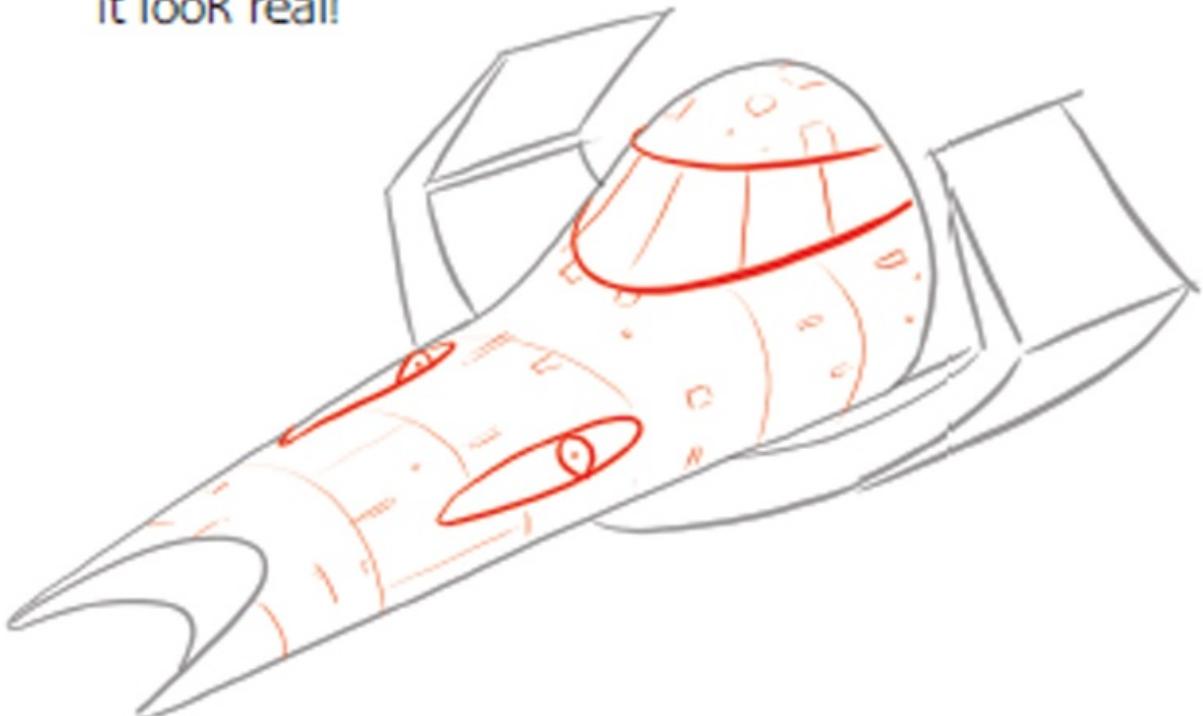


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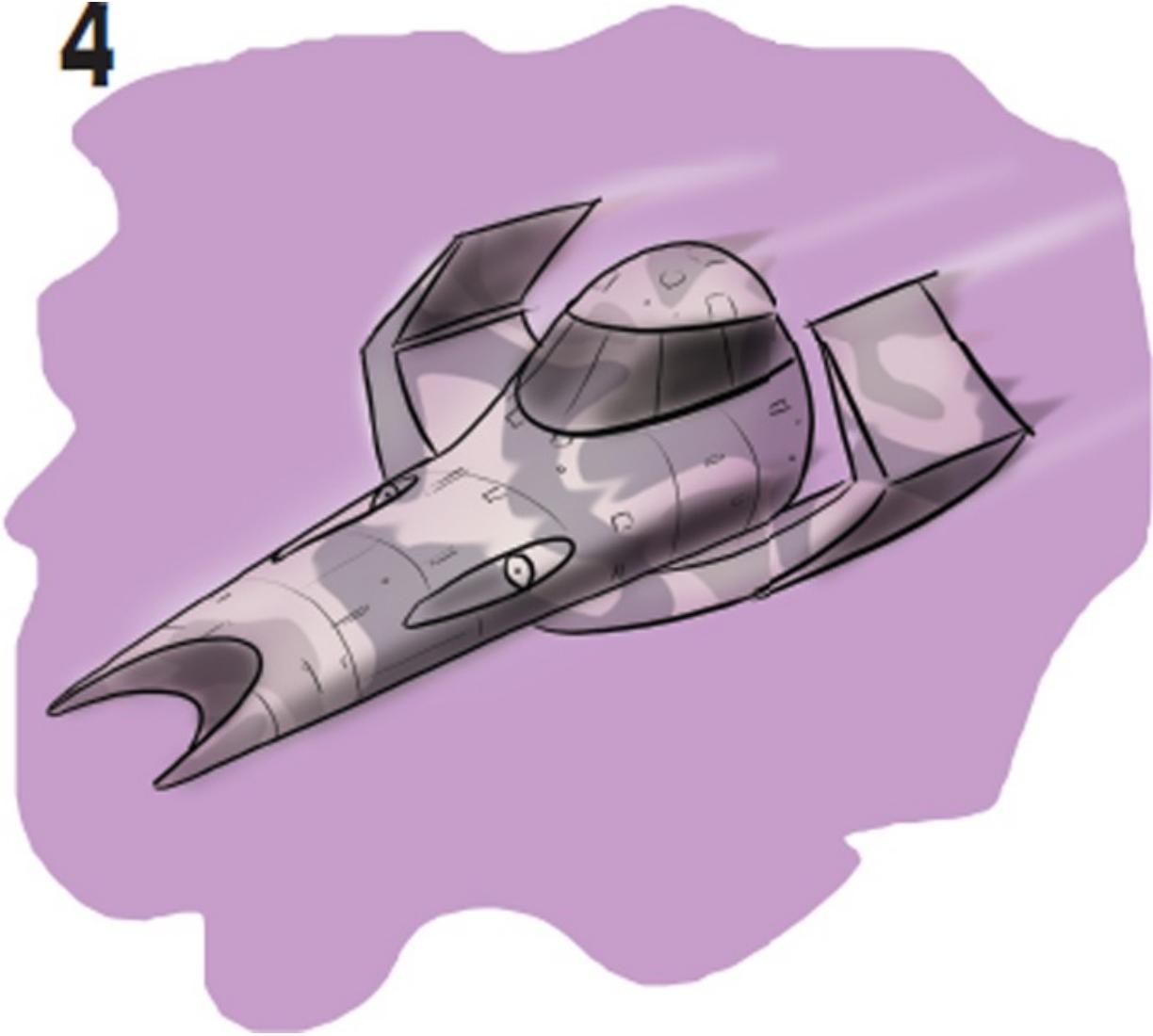


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Adding the little surface details is easy and makes it look real!



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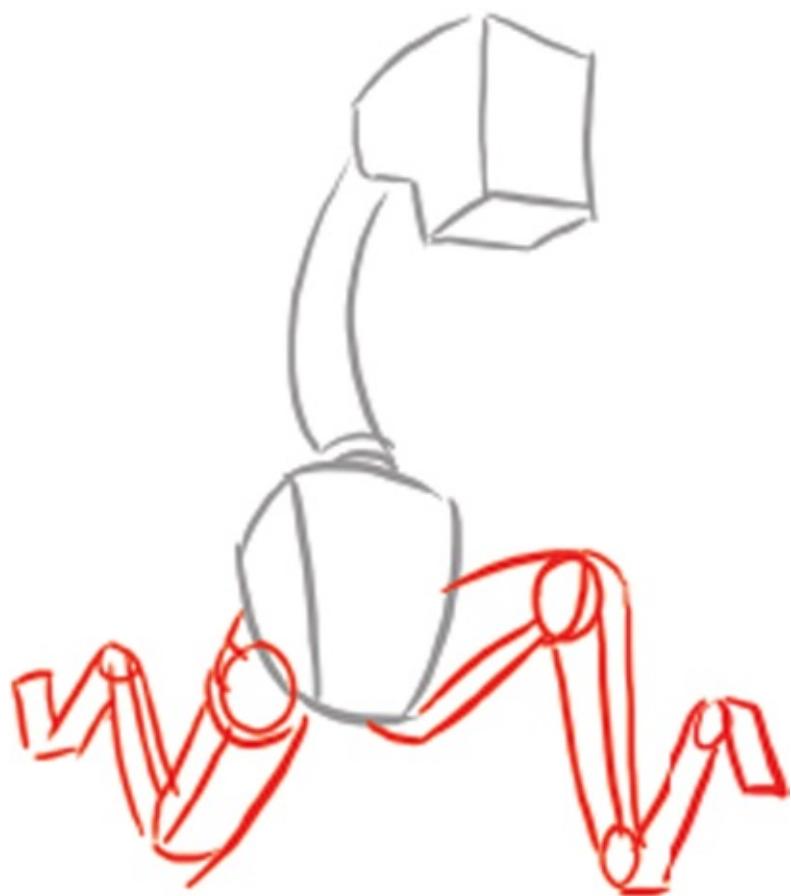
Gunbot

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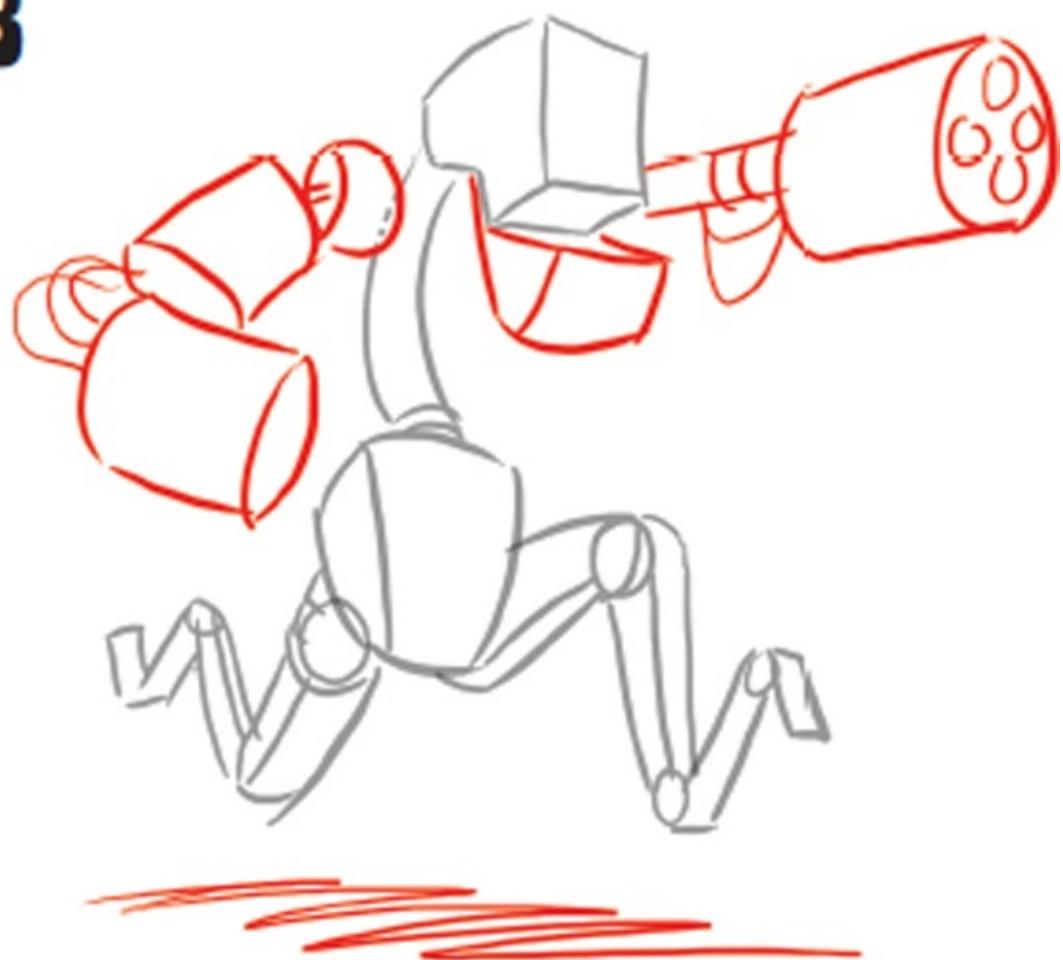
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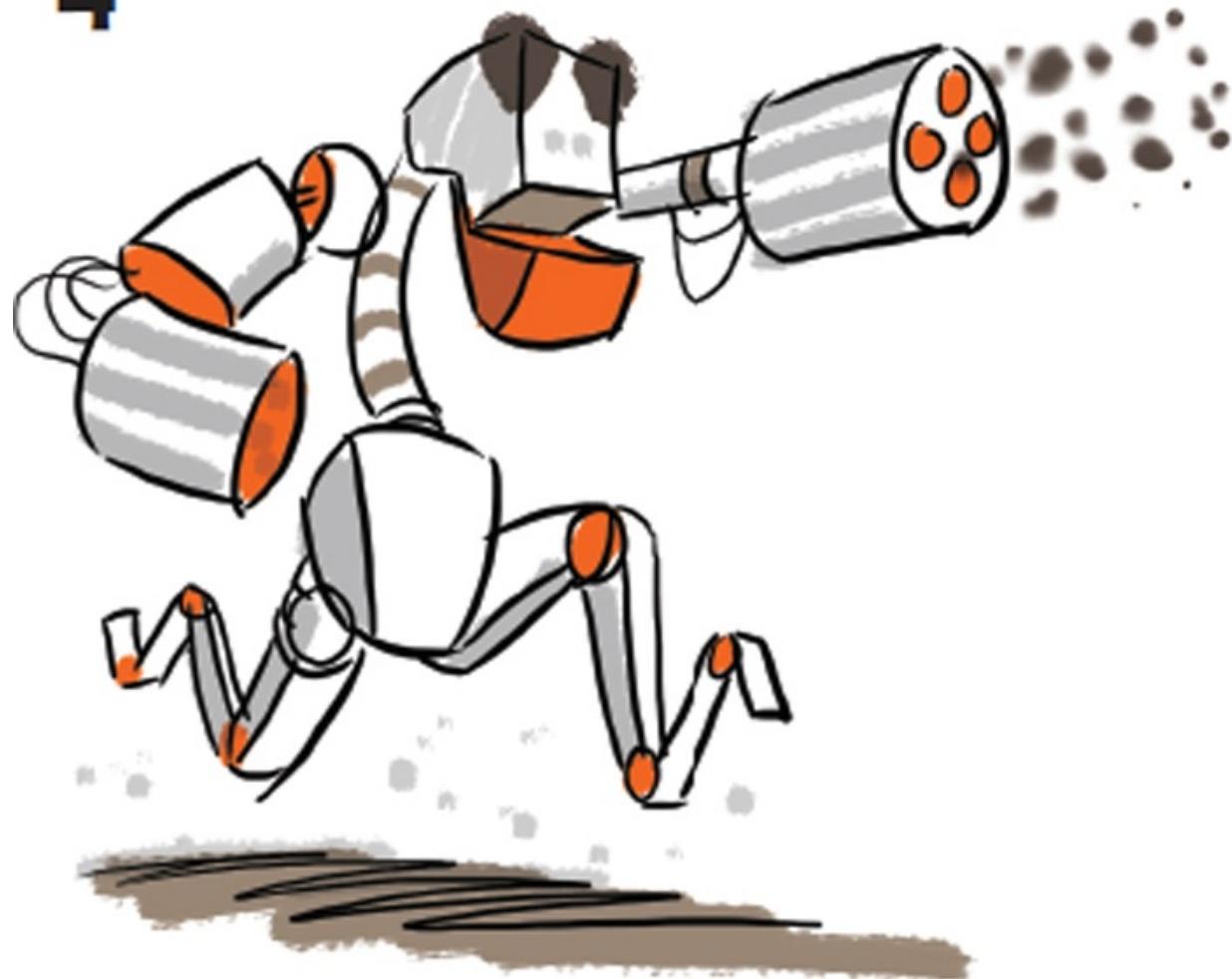


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Erase the dotted line
behind the shoulder.

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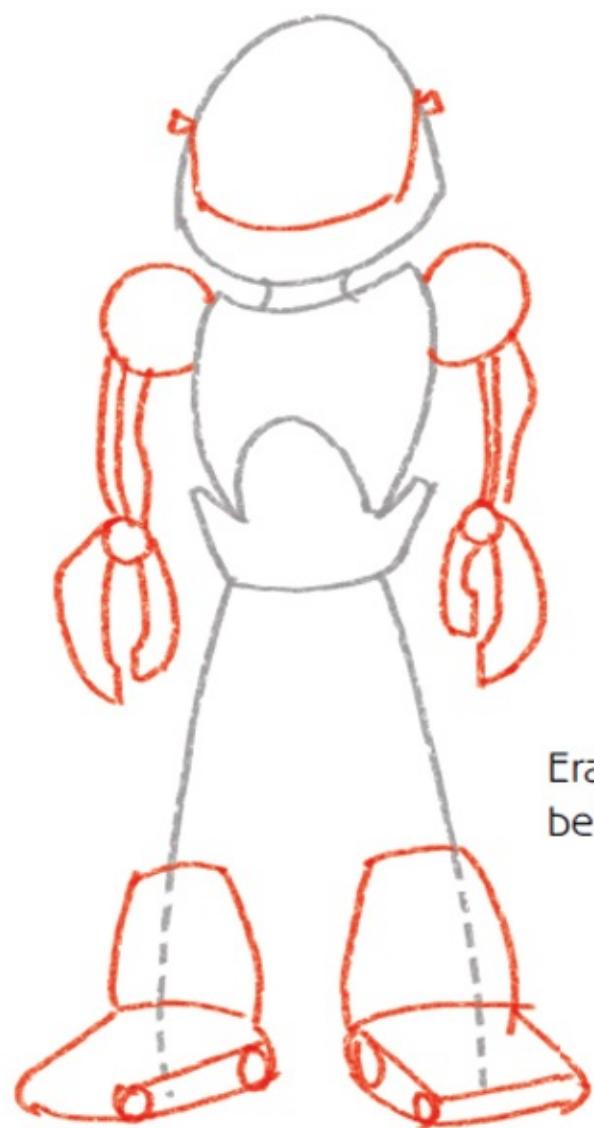
Robot

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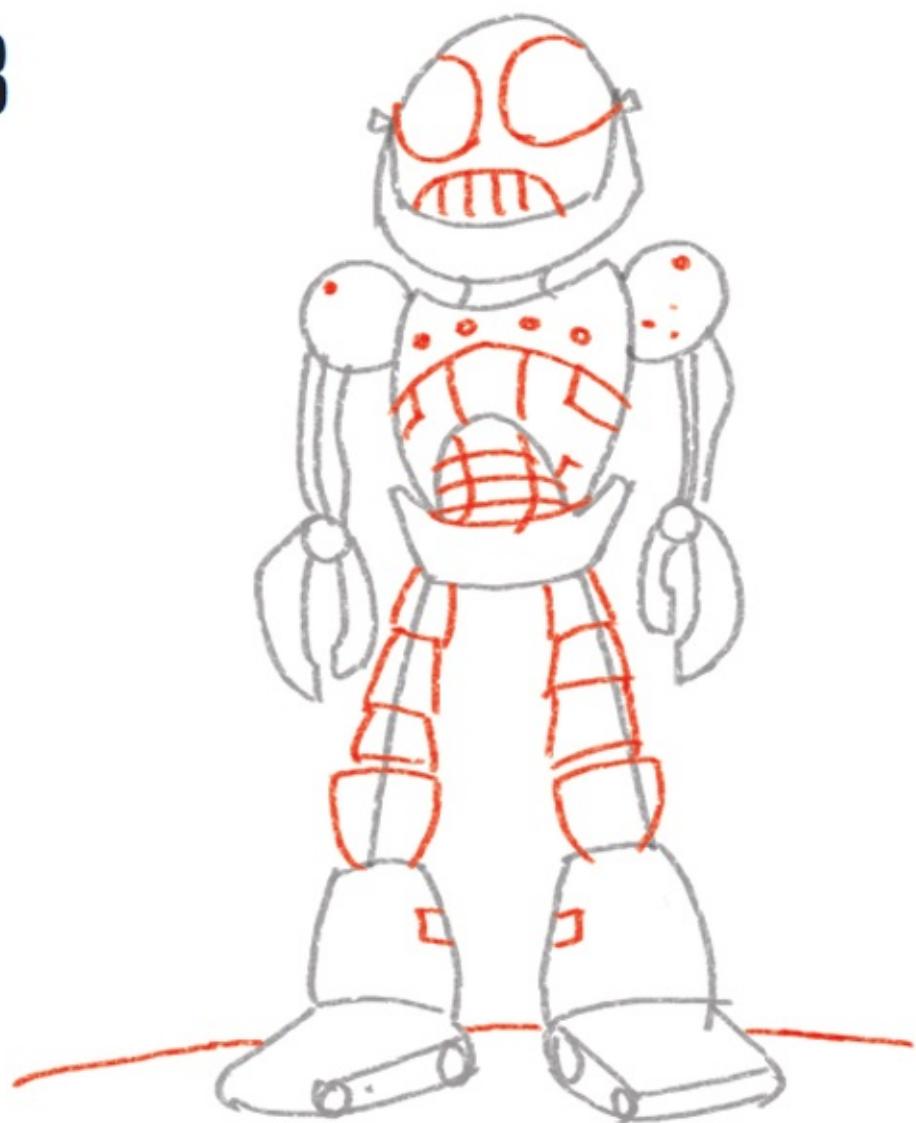


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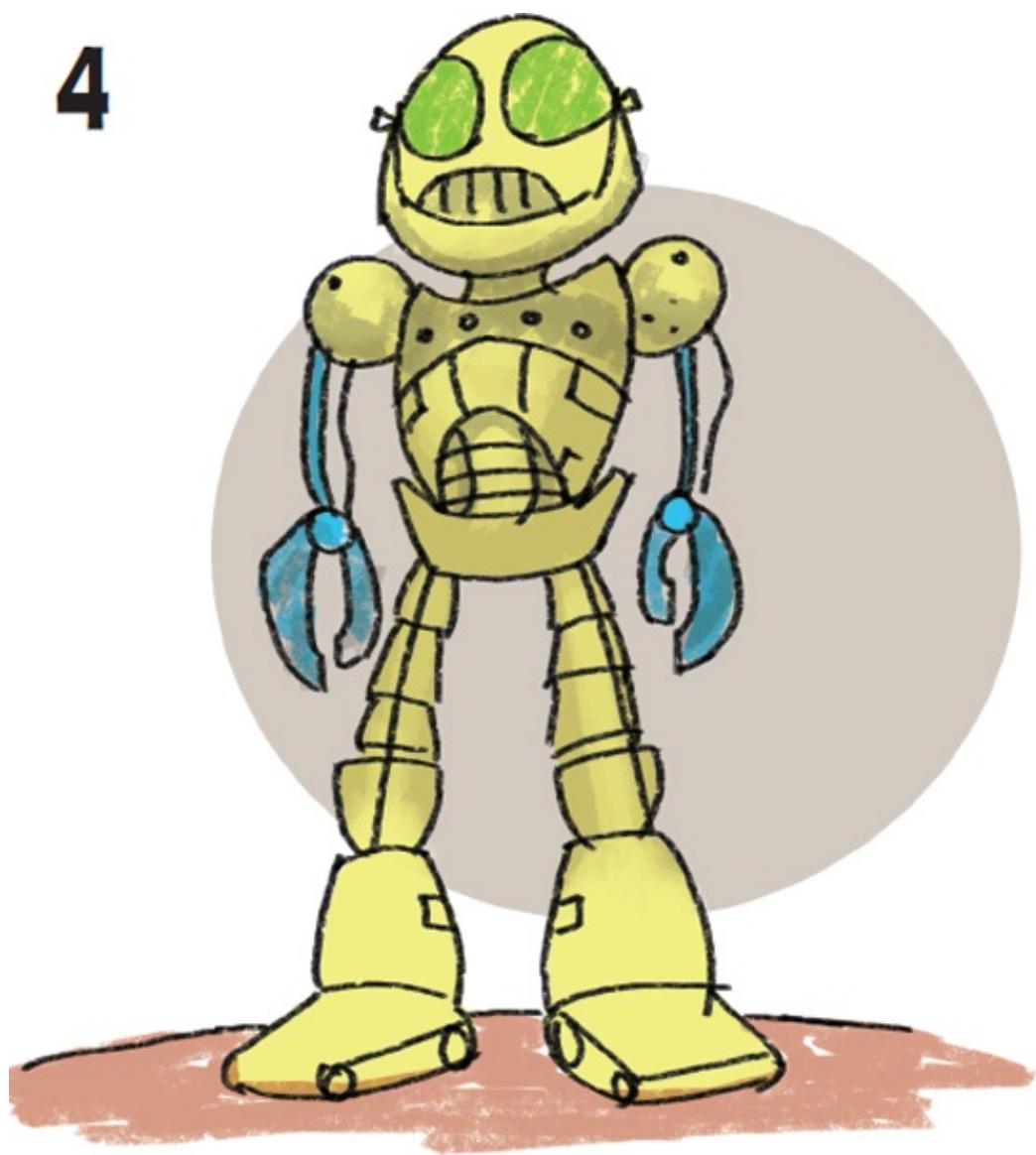


Erase the dotted line
behind the boots.

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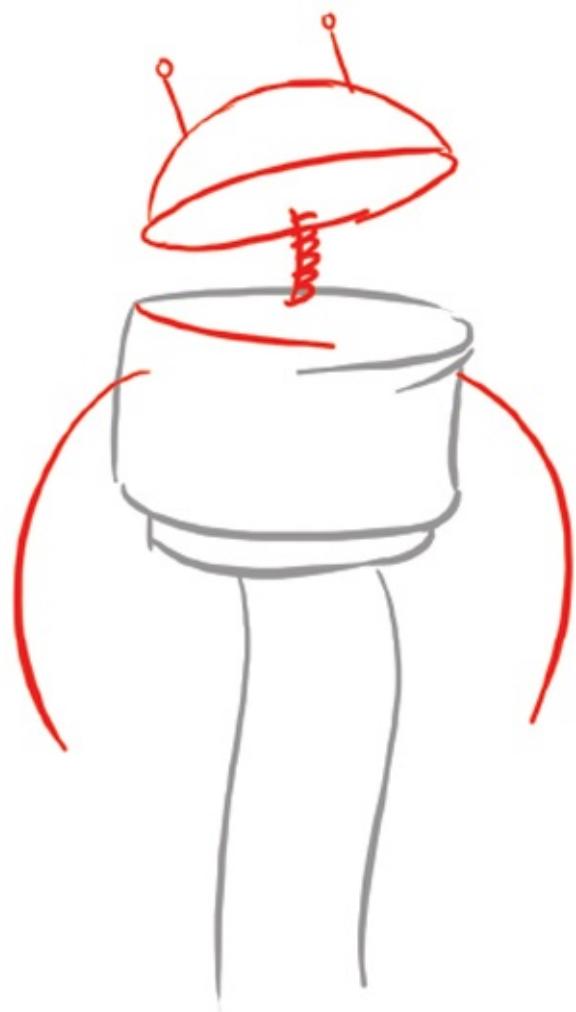
Botkin

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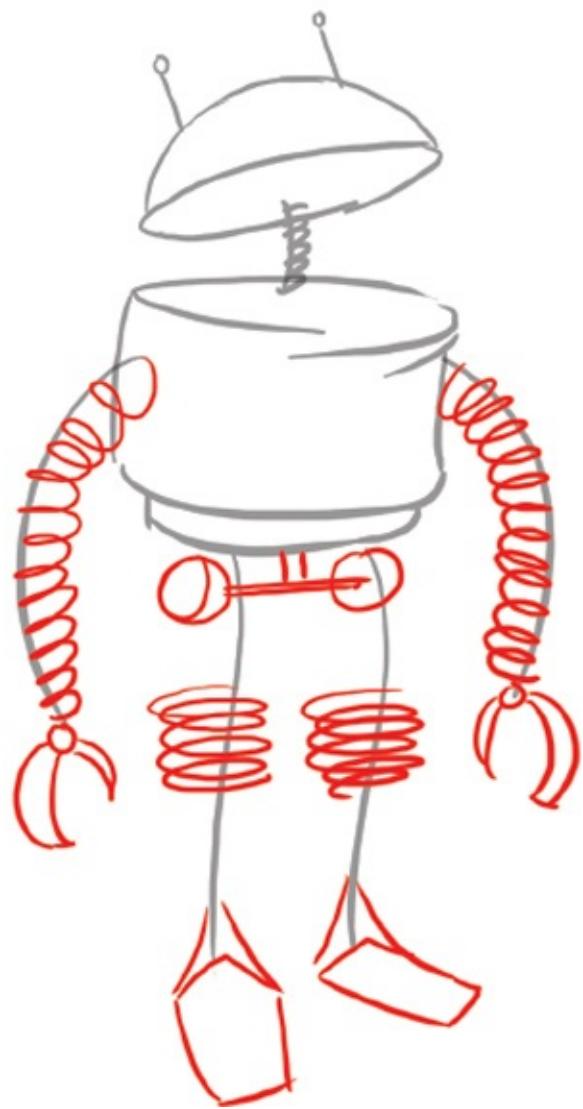
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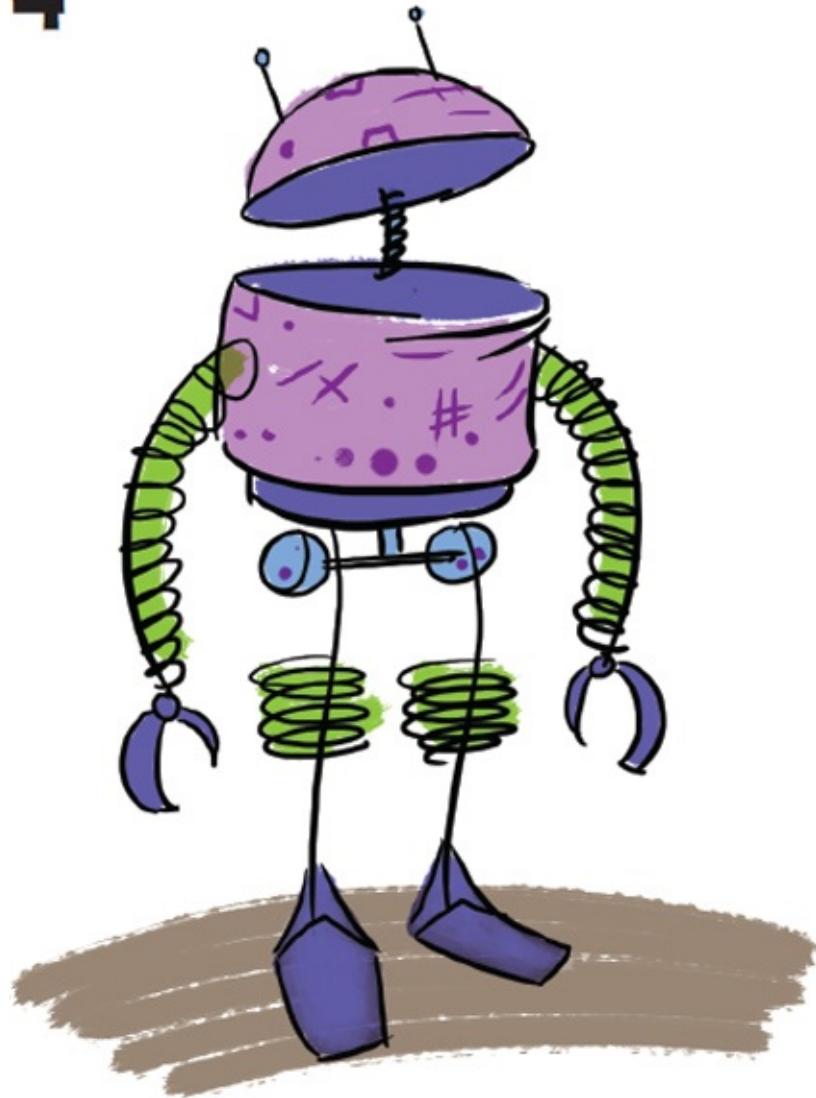
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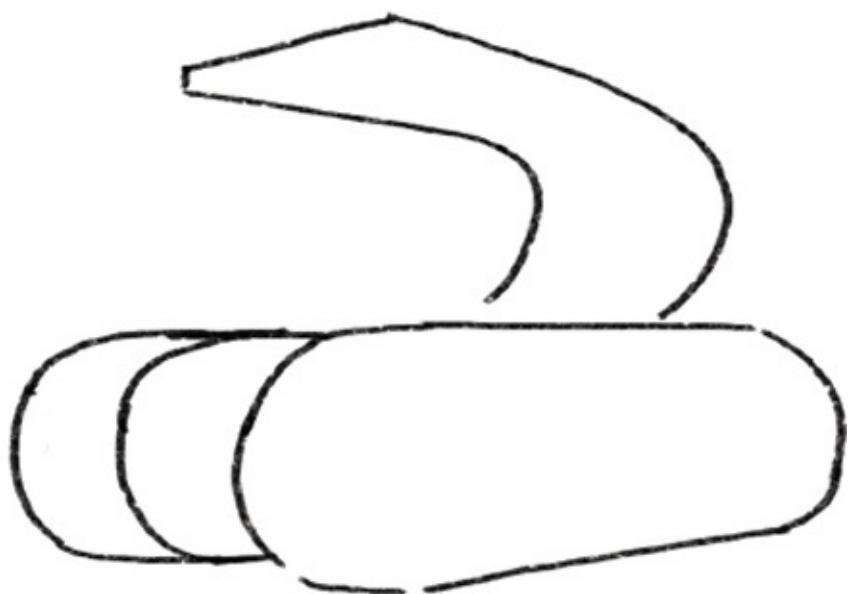
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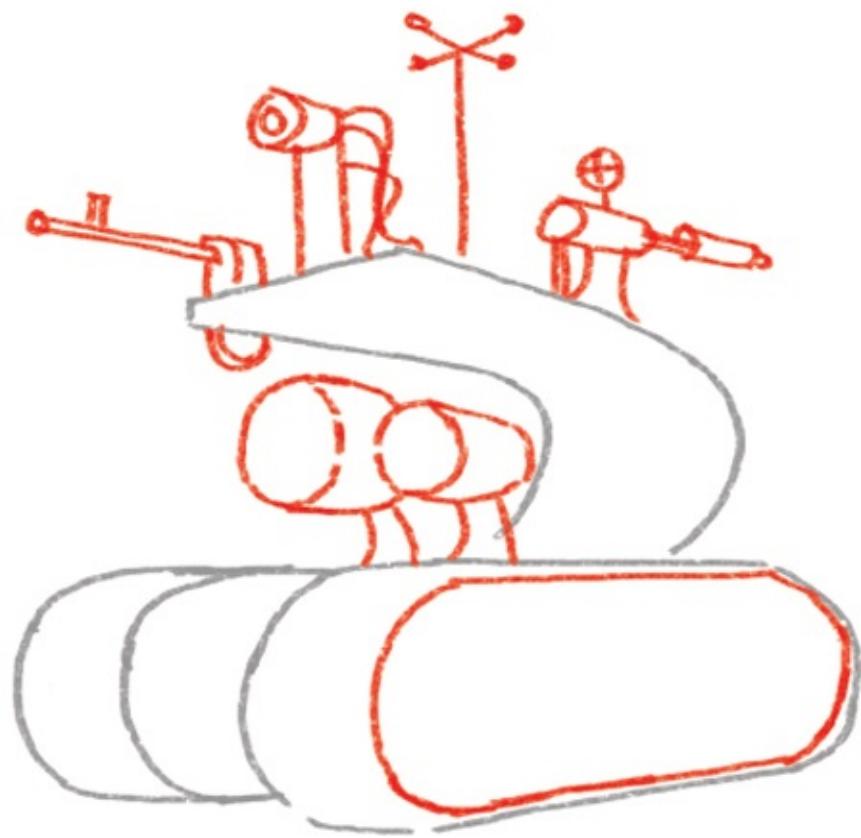
Rover

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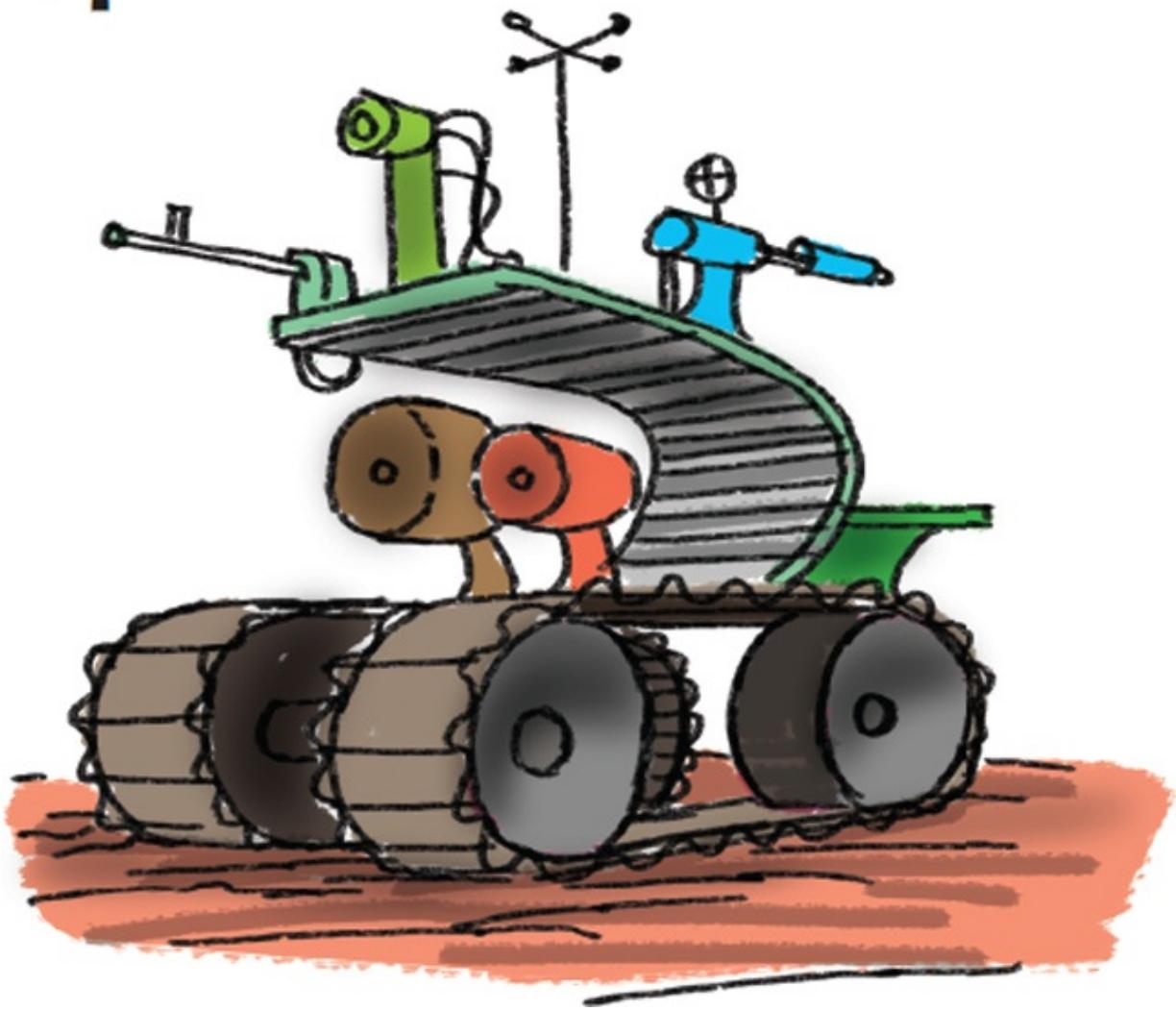
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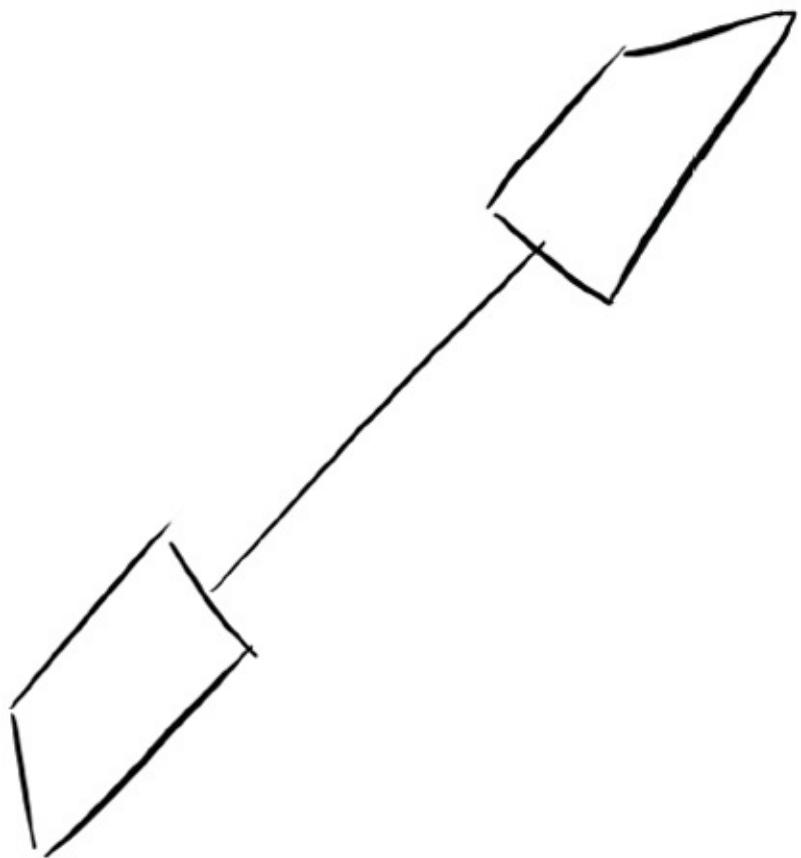
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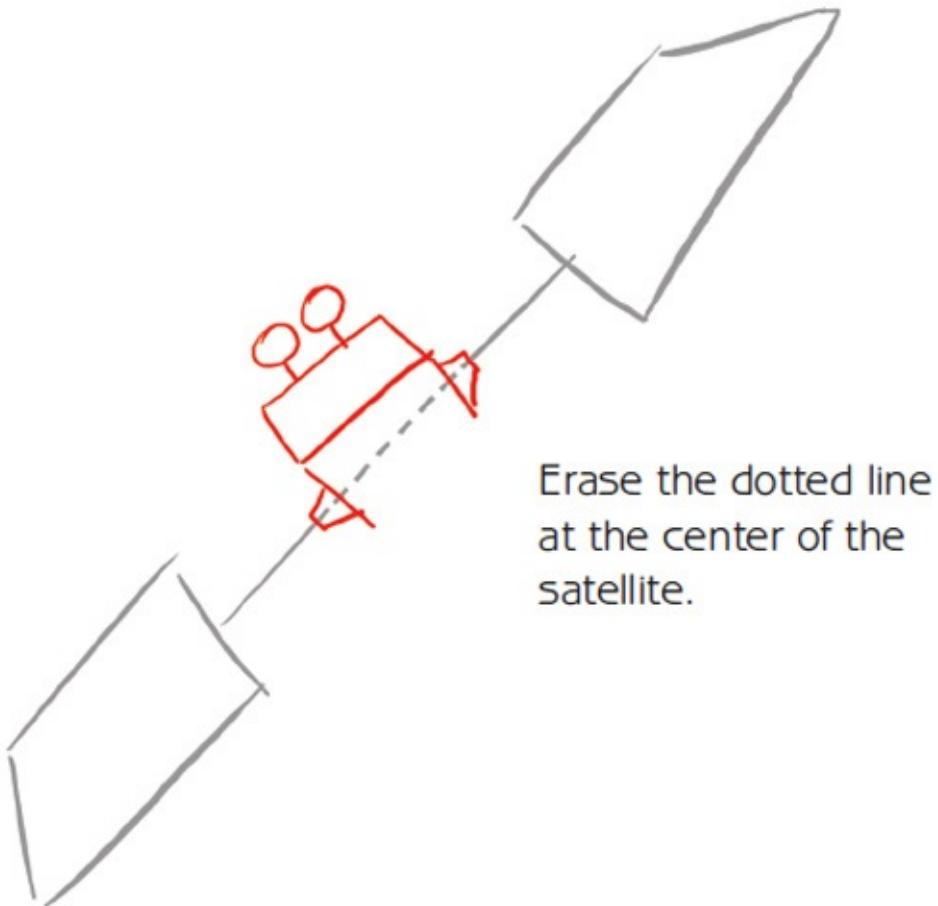
Satellite

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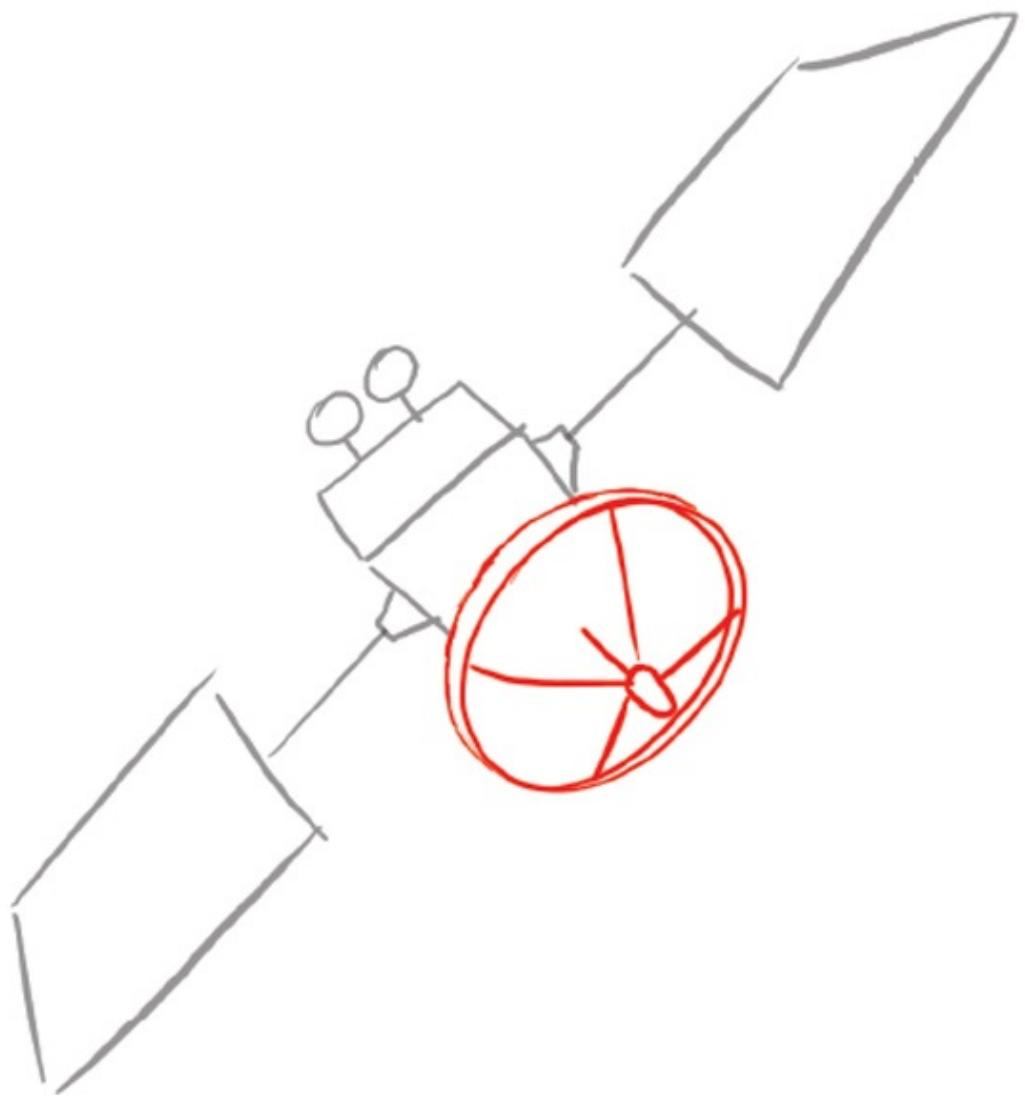
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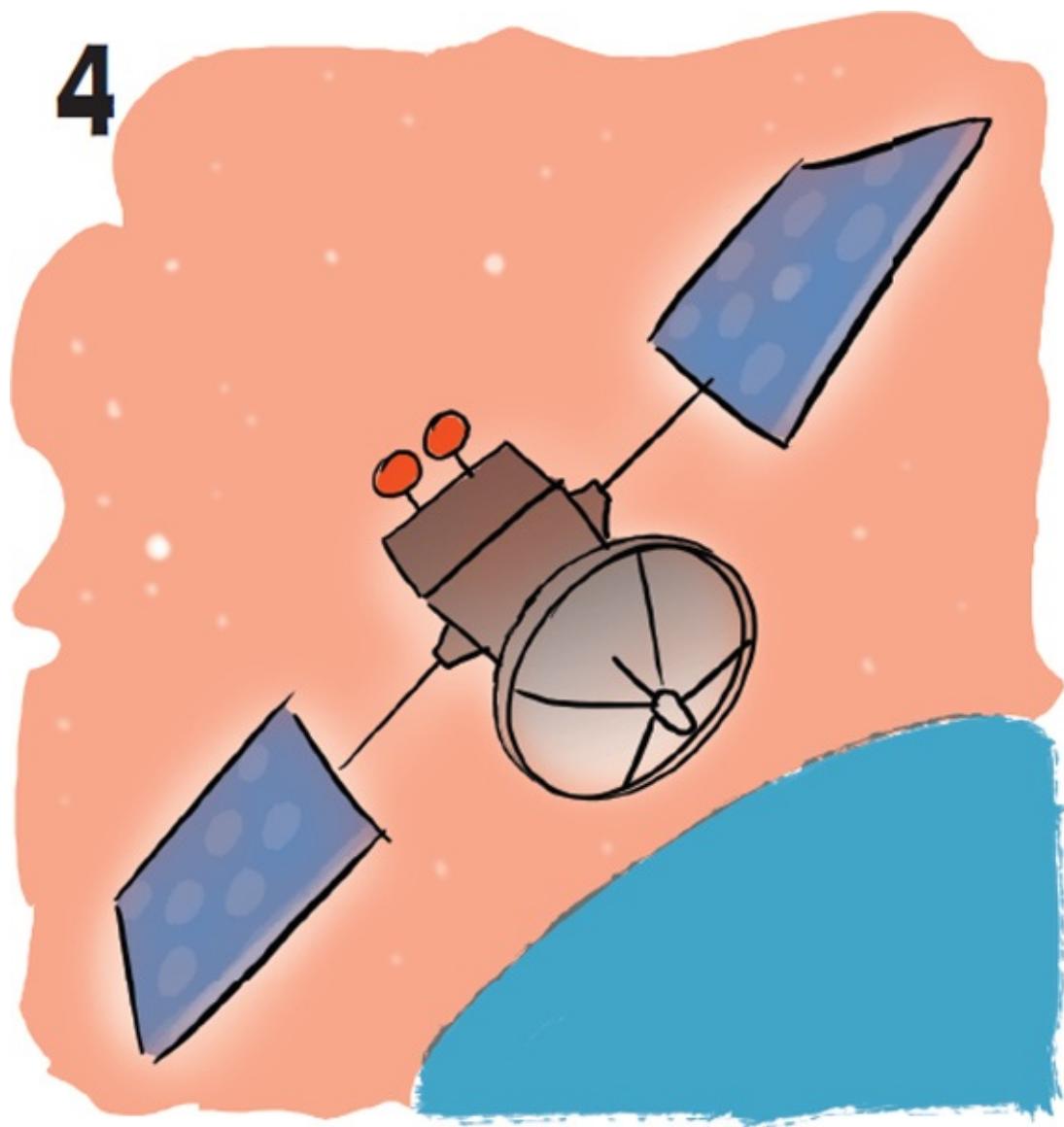
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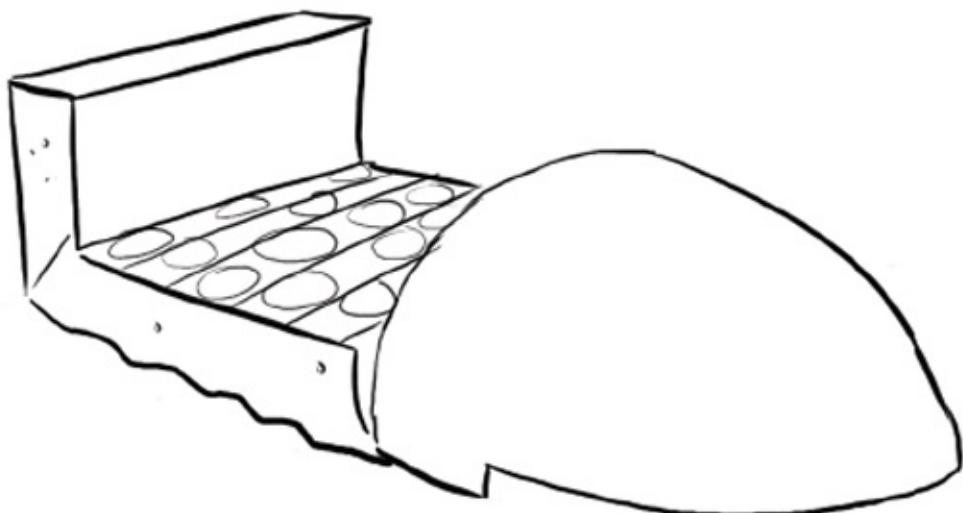
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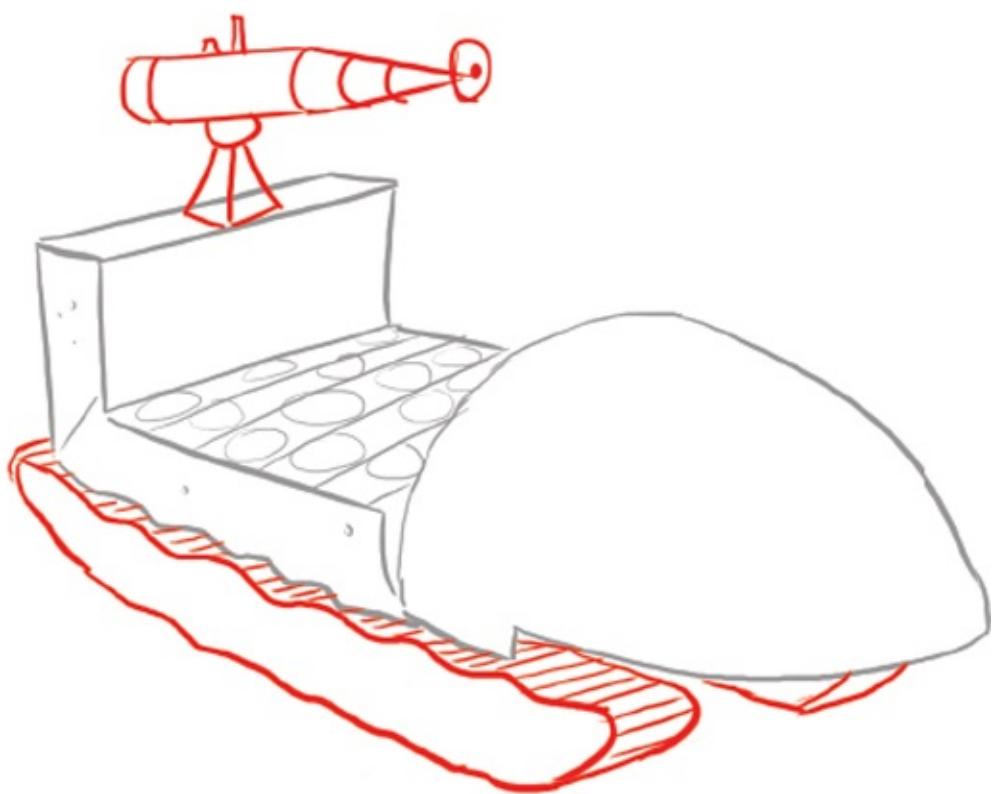
Ground Tank

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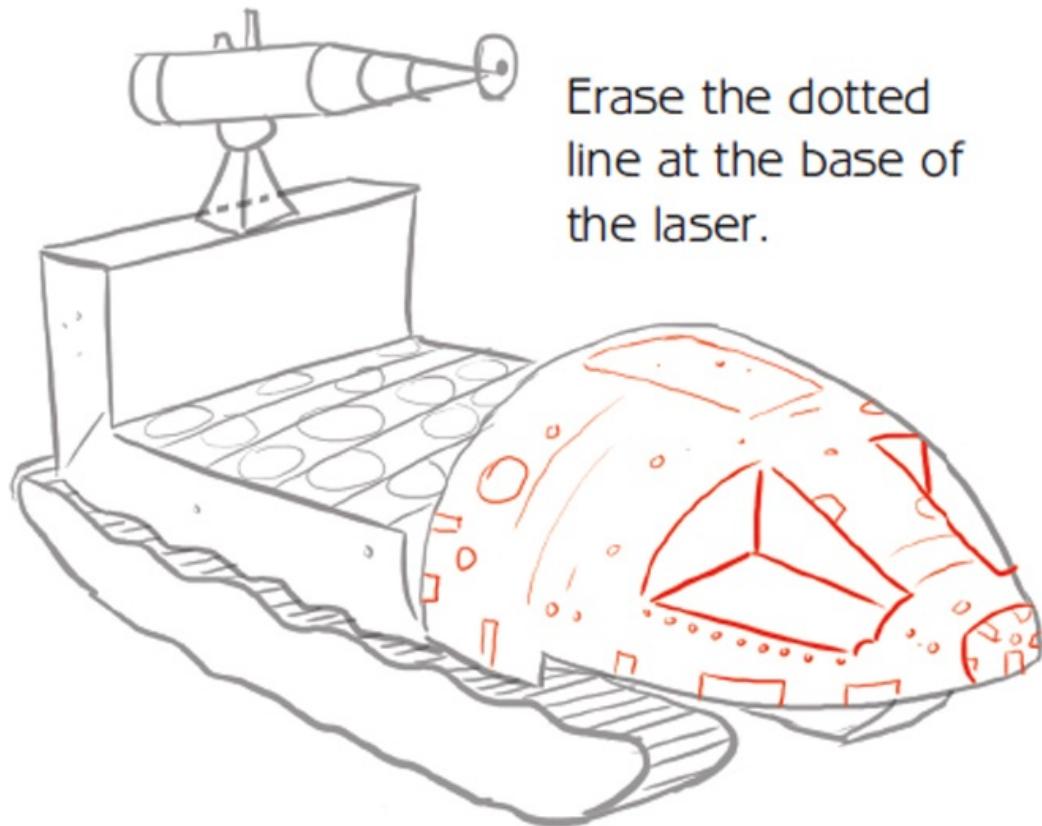
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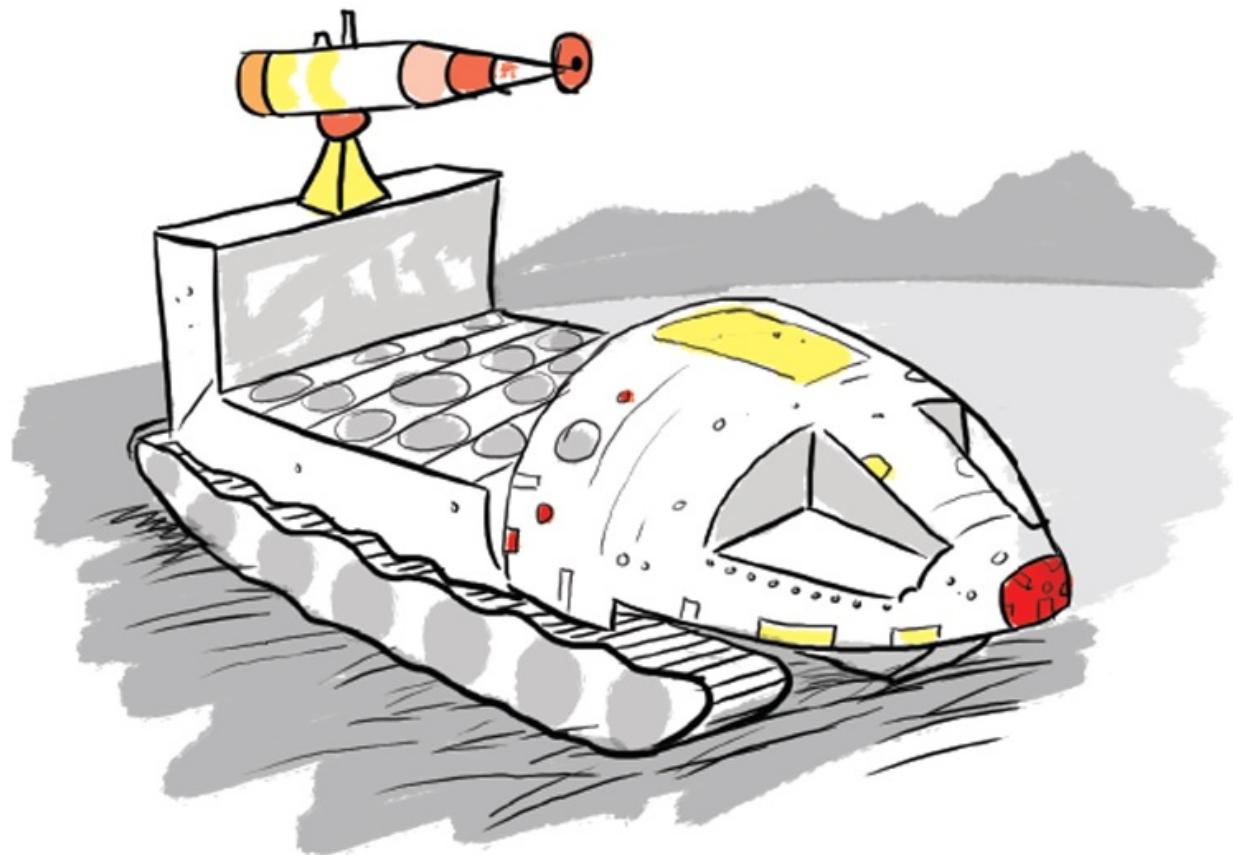
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Meteor

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1



Start with a small imperfect ball in the corner.

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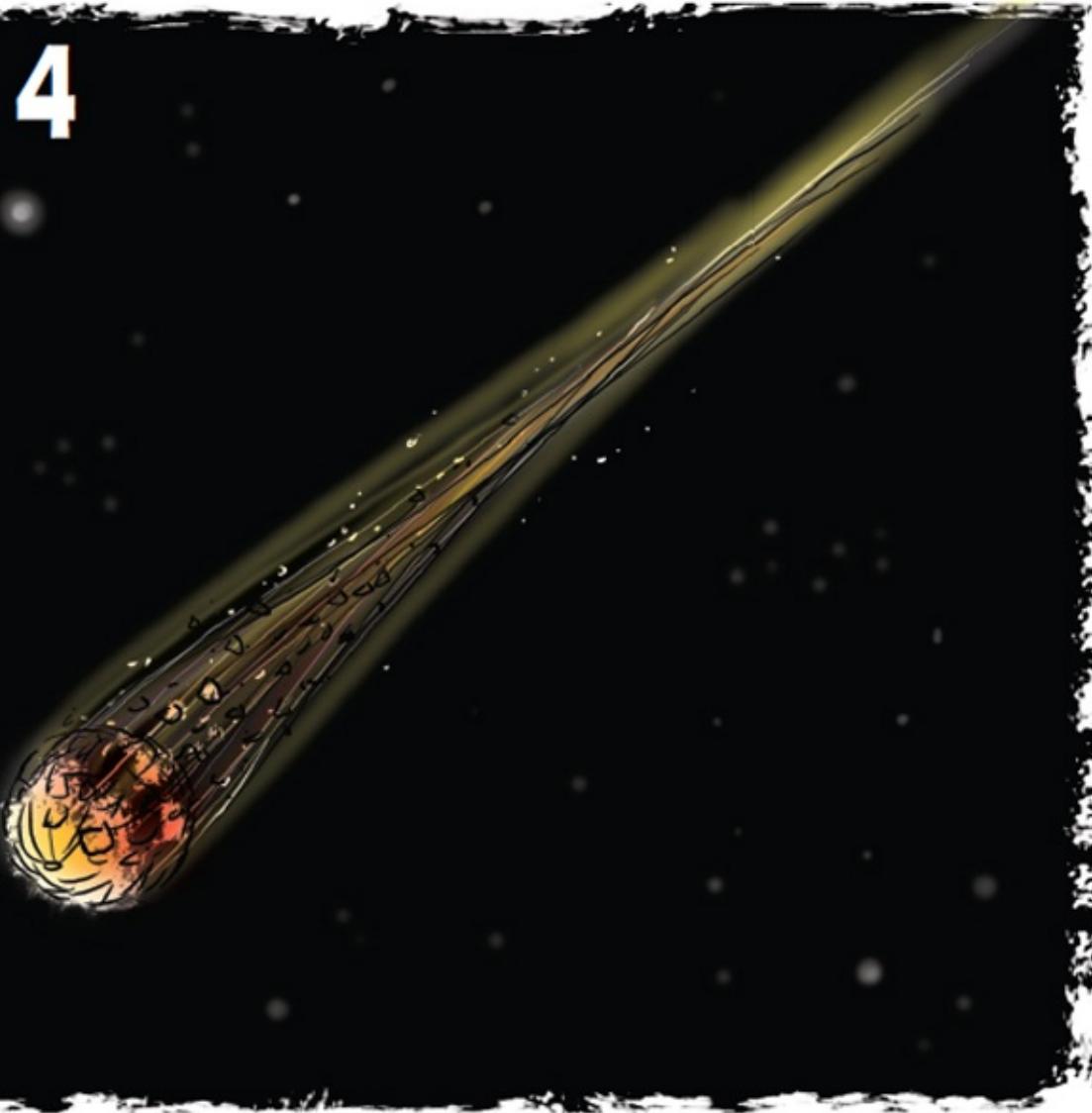
Meteors disintegrate as they enter Earth's atmosphere.

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Add a vapor trail.



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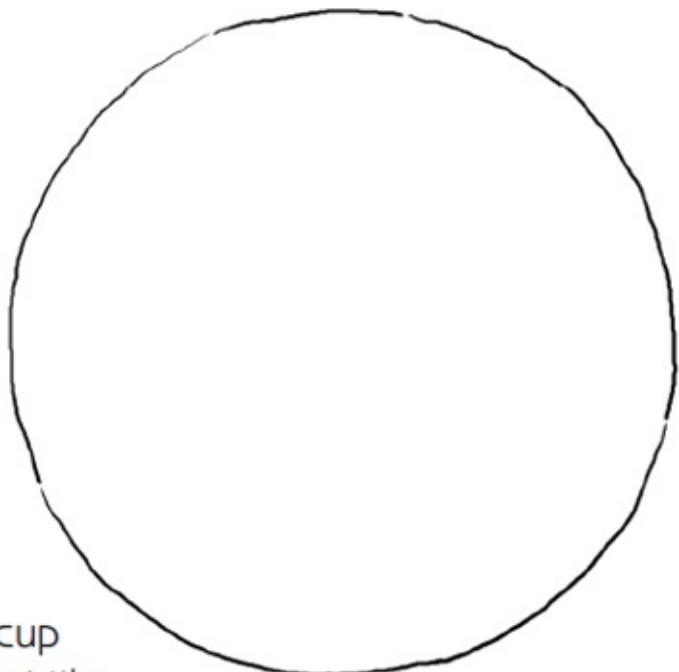


Moon

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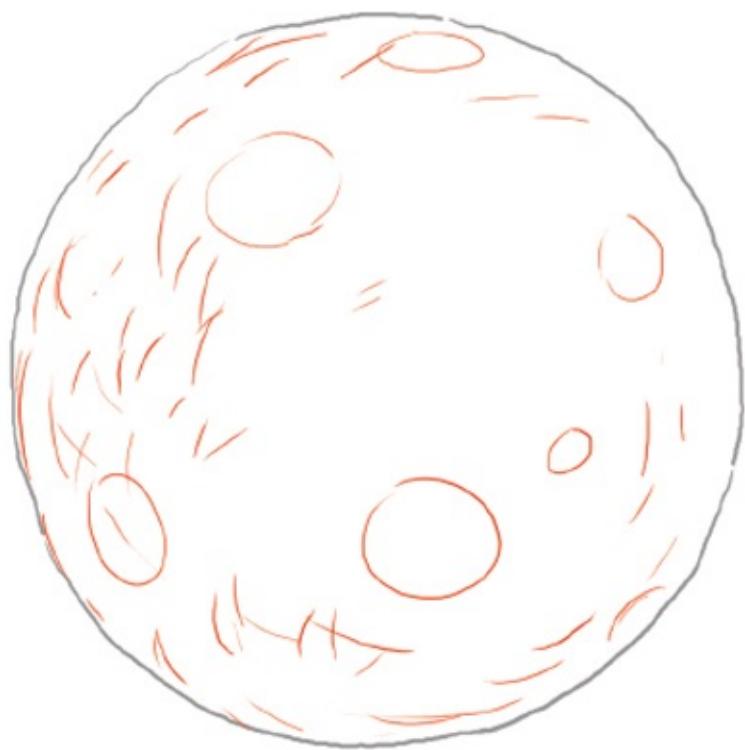
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Ready for an
easy one?



You can use a cup
for the circle, but it's
okay to have wobbly lines.

2



3

Rough up the surface.



4

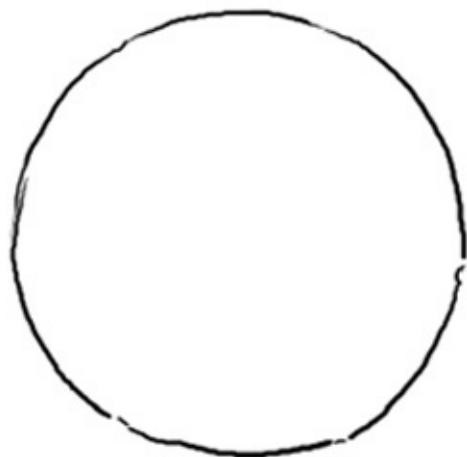


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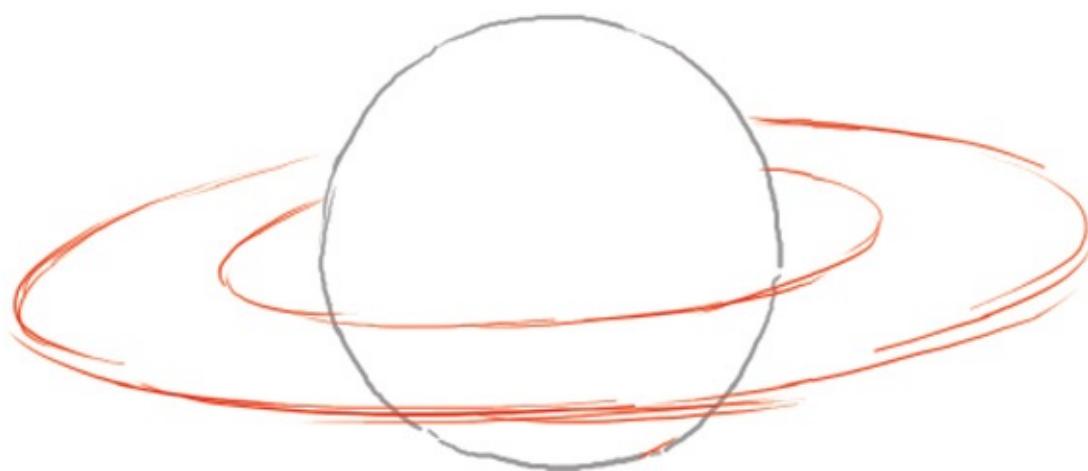
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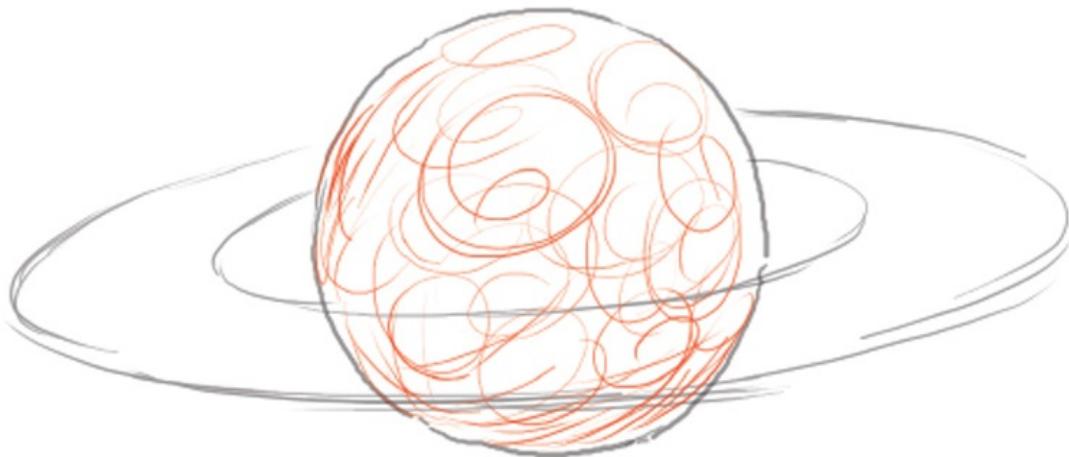


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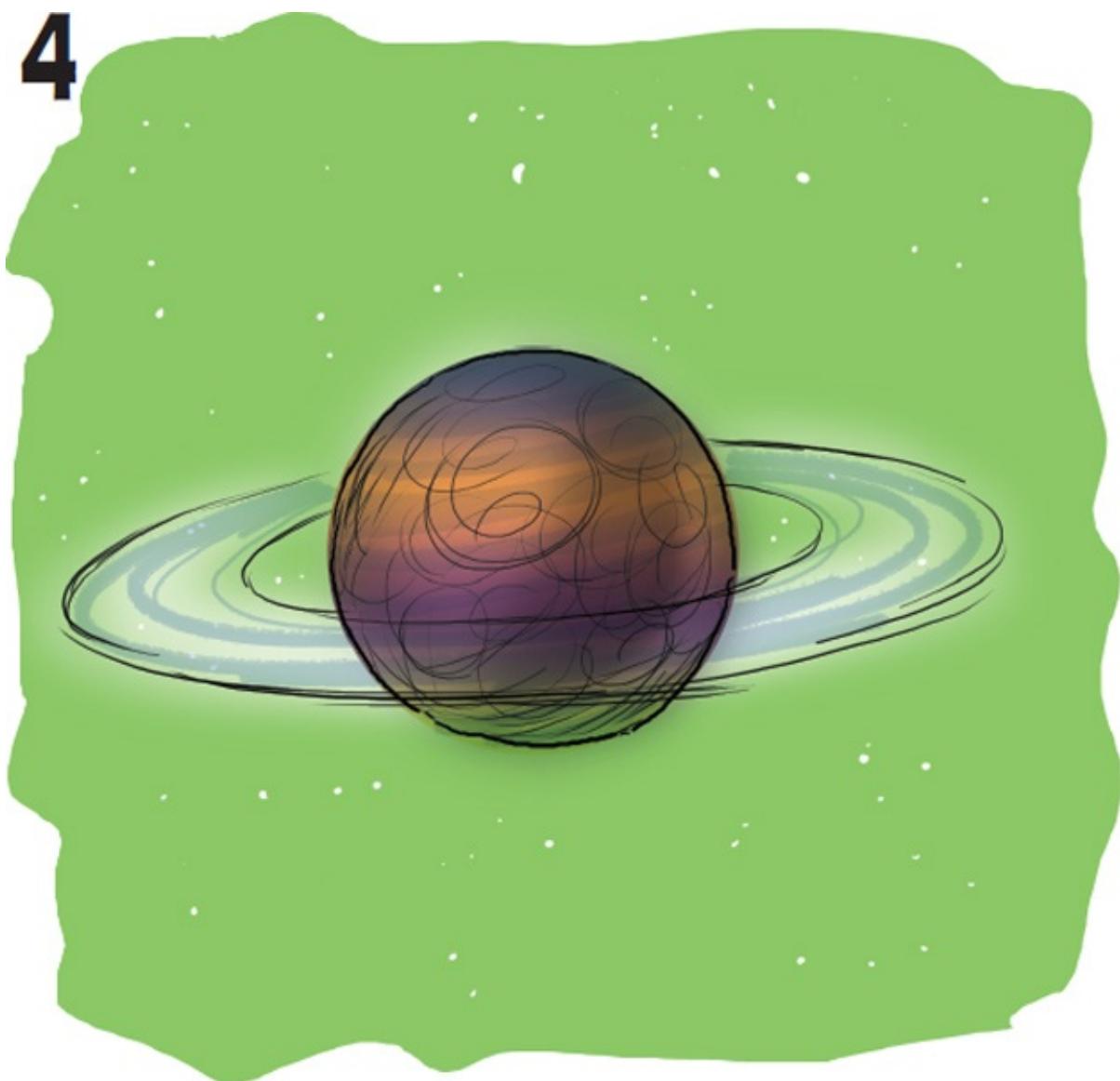


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The rings are transparent,
so there is no need to erase
behind them.



4



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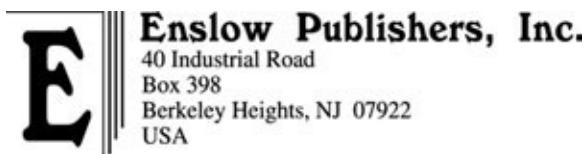
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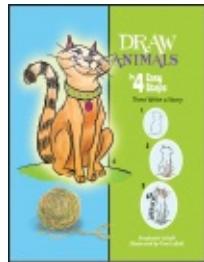
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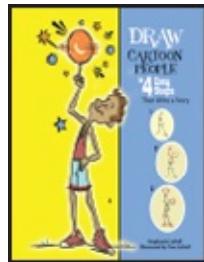
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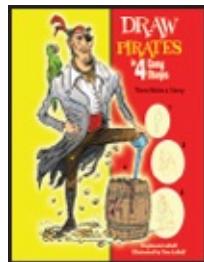
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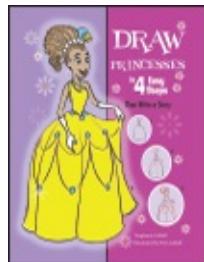
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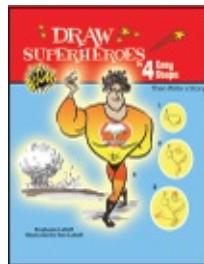


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