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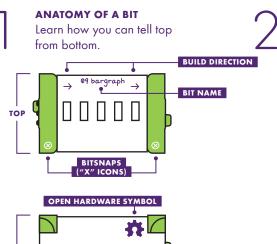
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p1power off on **BUILD & PLAY** 9-12V WITH THIS **CIRCUIT FIRST** POWER YOUR CIRCUIT. WHEN THE POWER BIT[™] IS ON, YOU'LL SEE A RED LIGHT. DON'T FORGET TO CONNECT YOUR CABLE & 9 VOLT BATTERY. littleBits w1 wire littleBits.cc $in \rightarrow$



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LITTLEBITS LOGO

BIT FEET

COLOR-CODED BY FUNCTION

Bits are grouped into four different categories, which are color-coded.

G WIRE (ORANGE)

D OUTPUT (GREEN)

Wire Bits connect to other

systems and let you build

circuits in new directions.

POWER (BLUE) Power Bits, plus a power supply run power through your circuit.

B INPUT (PINK) Input Bits accept input from you or Output Bits do something – the environment and send signals light up, buzz, move... that affect the Bits that follow.

Learn more about your Bits in the **BIT INDEX ON PG 20**

MAGNET MAGIC! \cap

Bits snap together with magnets. The magnets are always right – you can't snap them together the wrong way.

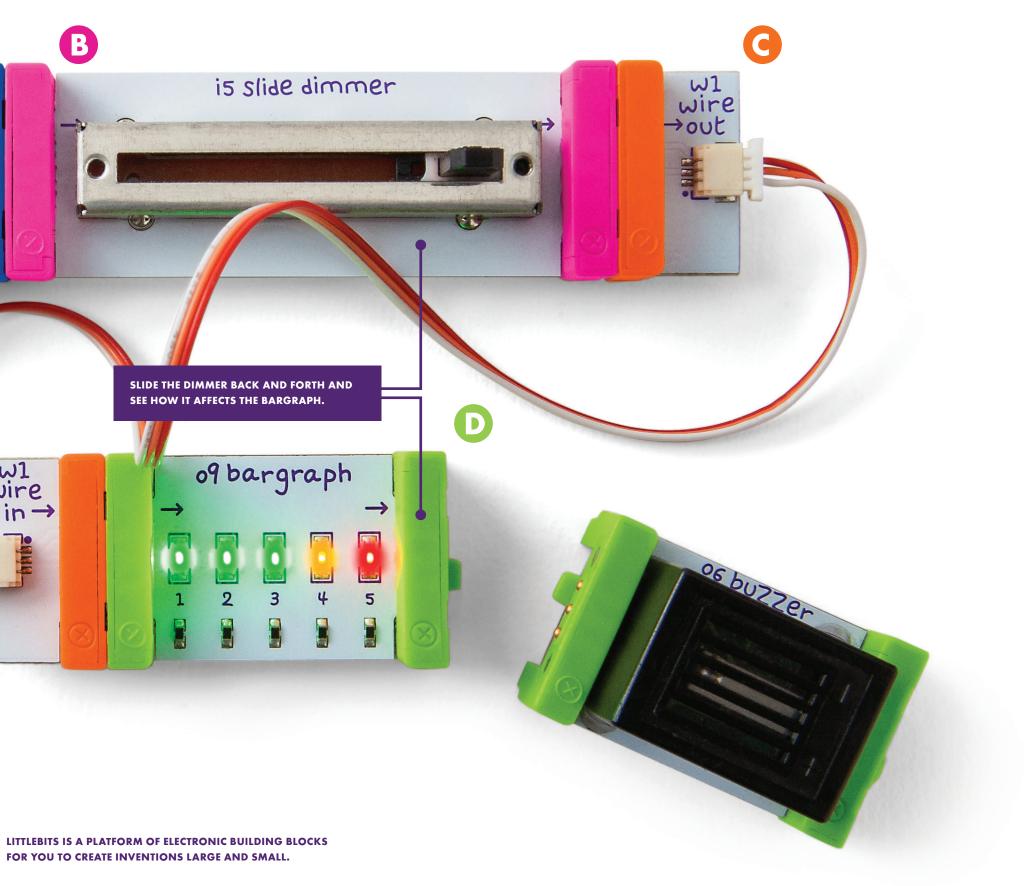
ARROWS SHOULD POINT IN THE SAME DIRECTION



IF THE BITS WON'T SNAP TOGETHER, TRY SPINNING ONE AROUND AND MAKE SURE THE ARROWS POINT IN THE SAME DIRECTION



BOTTON





POWER BITS always come first and **INPUT BITS** only affect the **OUTPUT BITS** that come after them.

> WITH NO OUTPUT BIT AFTER IT, THE INPUT BIT HAS NOWHERE TO SEND ITS SIGNAL

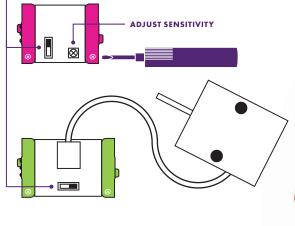




SOME BITS ARE ADJUSTABLE

Switches, buttons, and sensitivity dials on the board allow you to change how the Bit functions.





THE LITTLEBITS INVENTION CYCLE

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Keep an eye out for these icons as you're inventing! Learn more about THE LITTLEBITS INVENTION CYCLE PG 23



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INVENTION 03

IT'S A BIRD! IT'S A PLANE! IT'S SUPER KID! If you could have one superpower, what would it be? Would you walk through walls? Turn bad guys to stone? With a few Bits[™] and a little imagination, you can blast that power onto anything! Just use the slide dimmer on your wrist cuff to activate a bargraph in the palm of your hand. When it's at full capacity, **POW!** Shoot your imaginary power wherever it's needed.

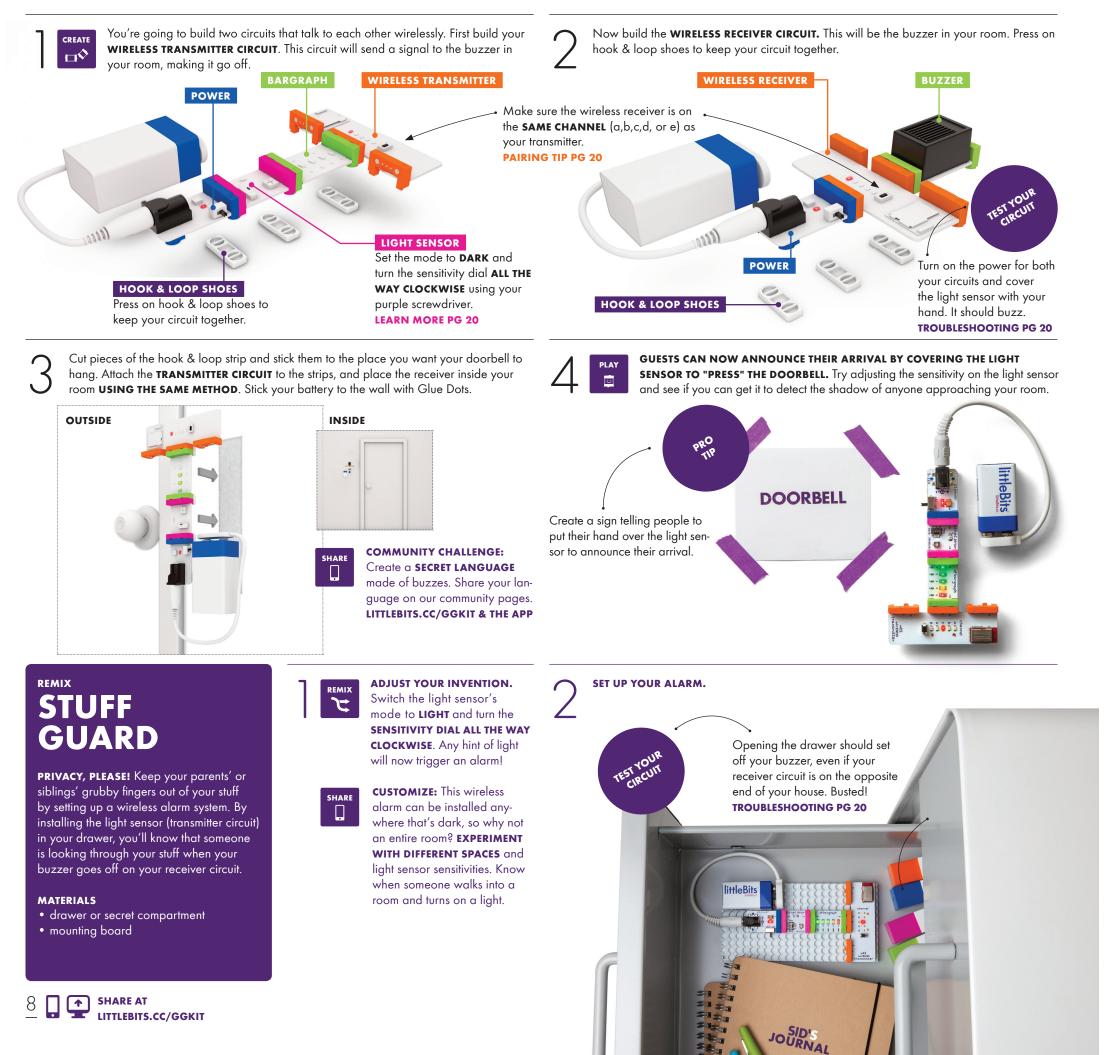




WIRELESS DOORBELL

CREATE AN INVENTION THAT KEEPS PEOPLE FROM BURSTING INTO YOUR PRIVATE SPACE! Your new doorbell will alert you when someone wishes to enter by sending a wireless signal from outside the door to the buzzer inside your room. Could you use this system to communicate secret messages without your parents knowing? Show us how you're using the wireless doorbell on our community pages.





MISCHIEF MACHINE

CREATE

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BUILD YOUR PRANK ARM. On the

a Phillips-head screwdriver.

The servo hub has two hole

sizes, the arm will screw into

GOLF-O-MAT

You can use your Mischief Machine for

all kinds of fun - NOT JUST PRANKS! We

found it's great for playing mini golf. Build

your golf course using some colored paper

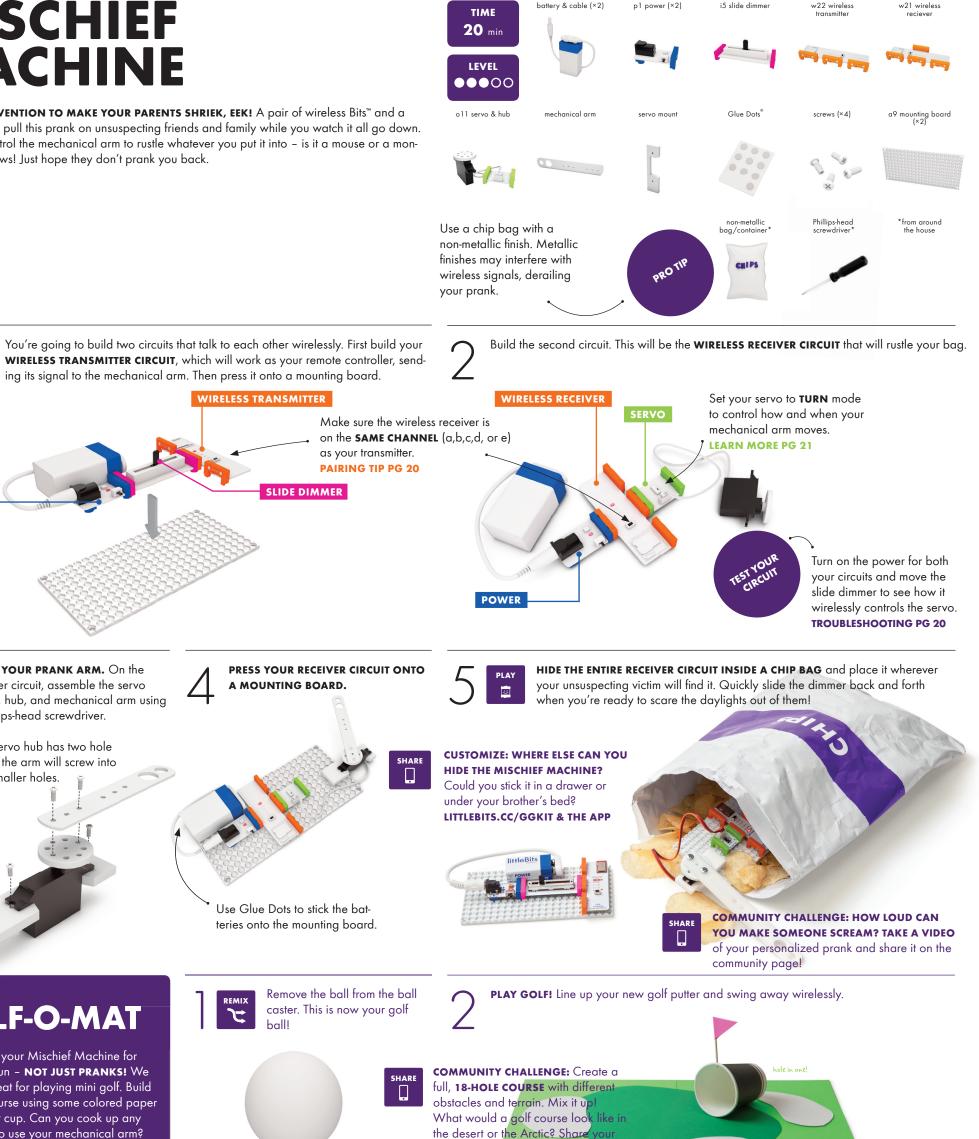
and a paper cup. Can you cook up any

the smaller holes.

receiver circuit, assemble the servo

mount, hub, and mechanical arm using

CREATE AN INVENTION TO MAKE YOUR PARENTS SHRIEK, **EEK!** A pair of wireless Bits[™] and a servo help you pull this prank on unsuspecting friends and family while you watch it all go down. Wirelessly control the mechanical arm to rustle whatever you put it into - is it a mouse or a monster? Who knows! Just hope they don't prank you back.



landscapes with the community, and

check out what others have done.

- MATERIALS • ball from caster • bottle cap • paper cup NICE TO HAVE • colored paper • toothpick (flag)
- SHARE AT LITTLEBITS.CC/GGKIT

BUBBLEBOT

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Using household objects and a few of our favorite Bits[™], you can create **BIG**, **BEAUTIFUL BUBBLES AS IF BY MAGIC.** Dip the bubble tube in bubble mix and slowly move the slide dimmer to watch your bubbles come to life. Control how quickly the bubble grows by keeping an eye on the bargraph – it tells you how much power you're sending to the fan.

> Adding a few drops of glycerine (available at most drug stores) to the solution will make your bubbles even bigger.

PRO

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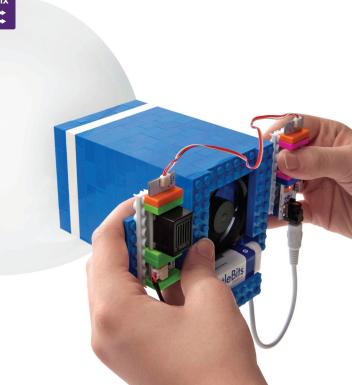
PRO

To keep the bubbles from popping too quickly, try slowing down the fan with ~ the slide dimmer or pulsing the fan on and off.



Can you charm your bubbles out of their bot with a single tune? You're about to swap a few Bits[™] to **TURN YOUR BUBBLEBOT INTO AN EXOTIC, BUBBLE-CHARMING FLUTE.** First, add a buzzer so your Bubblebot will make noise when you turn it on. Next, swap the slide dimmer for a light sensor. Finally, if you have any LEGO®, this would be a great chance to use your brick adapters. Play the instrument by holding it with the fan facing your feet and placing your finger over the light sensor.

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INVENT A GAME THAT PUTS A NEW SPIN ON AN OLD ARCADE FAVORITE: the pinball machine. Use the slide dimmer to catapult the ball and watch it bounce and bump all over the box like it's out of control!

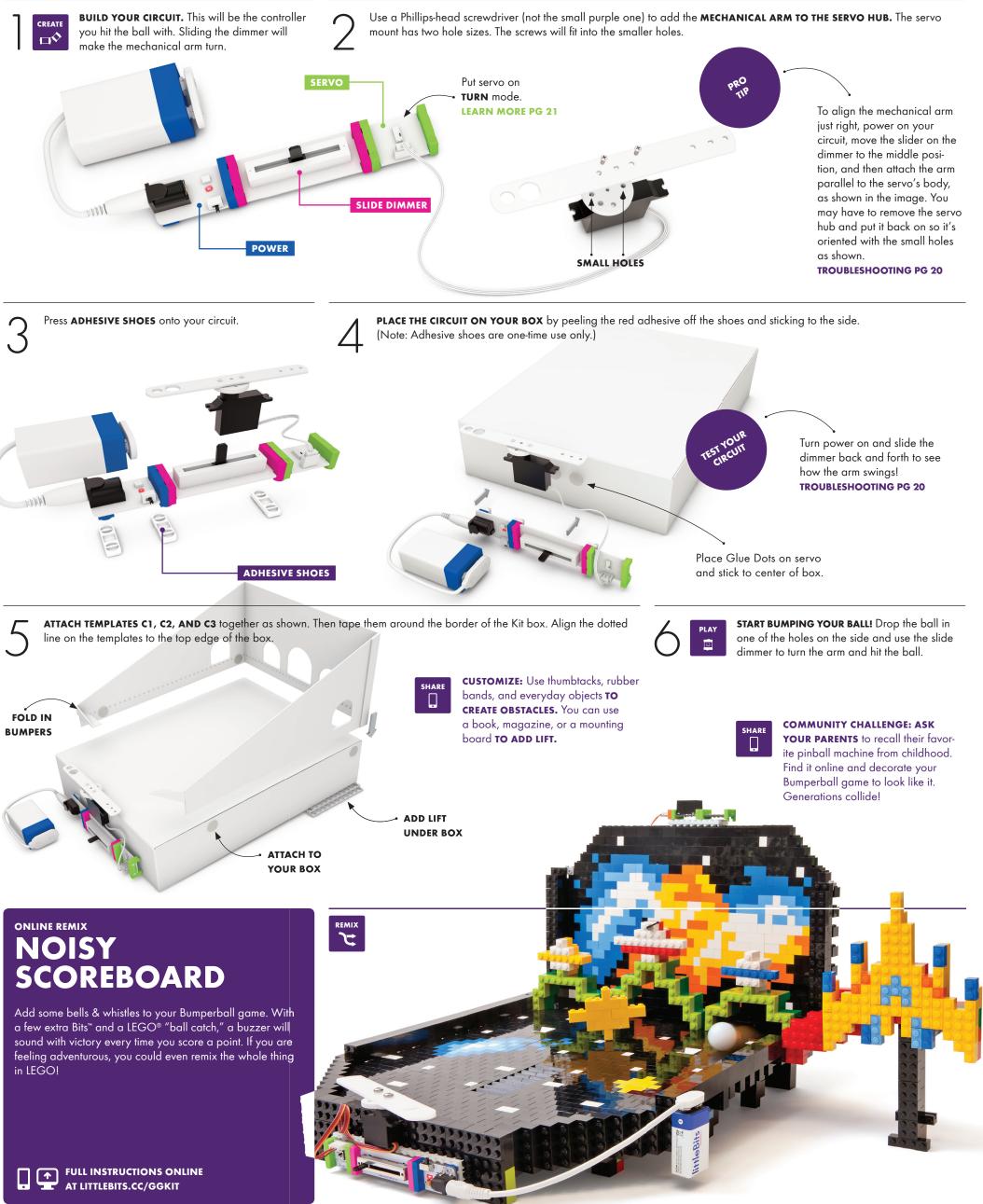


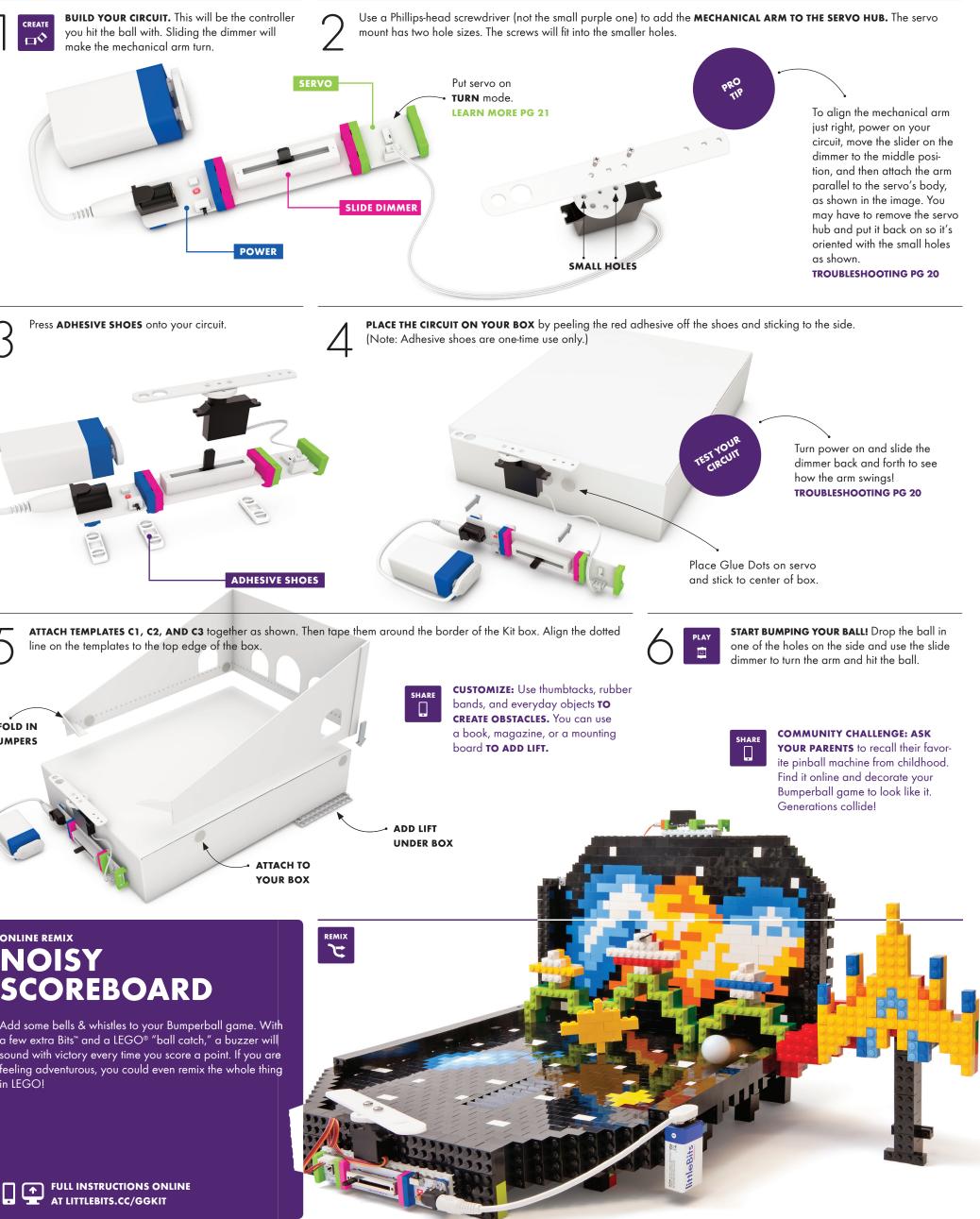
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ADD STICKERS AND DECORATE with markers to create a theme for your Bumperball game. LITTLEBITS.CC/GGKIT & THE APP





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BITBOT

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ROAM YOUR WORLD WIRELESSLY! This remote-controlled bot will do your bidding, thanks to a pair of wireless Bits[™] and a few DC motors. Use this versatile vehicle to prank your pets, set up a snack delivery system for Mom, or turn your room into a race track! What sort of adventures will your Bitbot go on?

w19 split

w21 wireless receiver

i5 slide dimmer (×2)

o25 DC motor (×2)

a9 mounting board



COMMUNITY CHALLENGE: Take your new bot for a spin in a place that doesn't exist yet! **DESIGN A NEW CITY OR PLANET** to roll around in. **LITTLEBITS.CC/GGKIT & THE APP**



CUSTOMIZE: GIVE YOUR BOT SOME CHARACTER! Is it a creature, a race car, or a roaming genie lamp? Use the provided stickers and your own decorating materials to add some personality. Be sure to share your designs and check out what the community has done.



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Build the second circuit. This will be the heart of your **BITBOT**. After the circuit is made, First build your **WIRELESS TRANSMITTER CIRCUIT**, then press onto mounting board. This will work as your remote controller, sending its signal to the Bitbot. press it onto a mounting board. DC MOTOR WIRELESS TRANSMITTER WIRELESS RECEIVER SLIDE DIMMER Set the DC motors to VAR (variable) mode. **LEARN MORE PG 21** Make sure the wireless receiver is on the **SAME** CHANNEL (a,b,c,d, or e) as your transmitter. PAIRING TIP PG 20 DC MOTOR POWER POWE Because the DC motors are facing opposite directions, the slide dimmers also need to SLIDE DIMMER face opposite directions. This will make controlling your bot much easier.

On the Bitbot circuit, stick the ball caster to the mounting

It'll look like this when you're done.

the battery to the board. MOUNTING BOARD TIPS ON PG 21

Use Glue Dots to stick

Turn off your circuits and **ATTACH WHEELS TO THE DC MOTORS.** Ensure that the flat edge on the shaft of the DC motor aligns with the flat edge of the hole in the wheel.



Match the **FLAT EDGE** on the motor shaft with the flat edge of the hole in the wheel.

CUSTOMIZE: Attach the bot template to the mounting board using tape or Glue Dots.

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ONLINE REMIX DRAWBOT

board with Glue Dots.

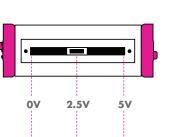
WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO WITH THIS ROAMING ROVER? Add a few Bits[™] & accessories to your bot to create robotic art masterpieces. Draw a portrait, write your name, or even make some expressive abstract paintings when you add a mecanical arm to your Bitbot. The arm automatically swings side to side while you drive the bot around with the controller.

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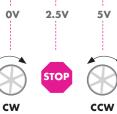


CONTROLLING YOUR BITBOT. The middle position of the slide dimmers (~2.5V) will stop the wheels. Pushing both slide dimmers in the same direction will move it forwards or backwards. Take it for a spin!

Moving the slide dimmers will spin the DC motors. **TROUBLESHOOTING PG 20**



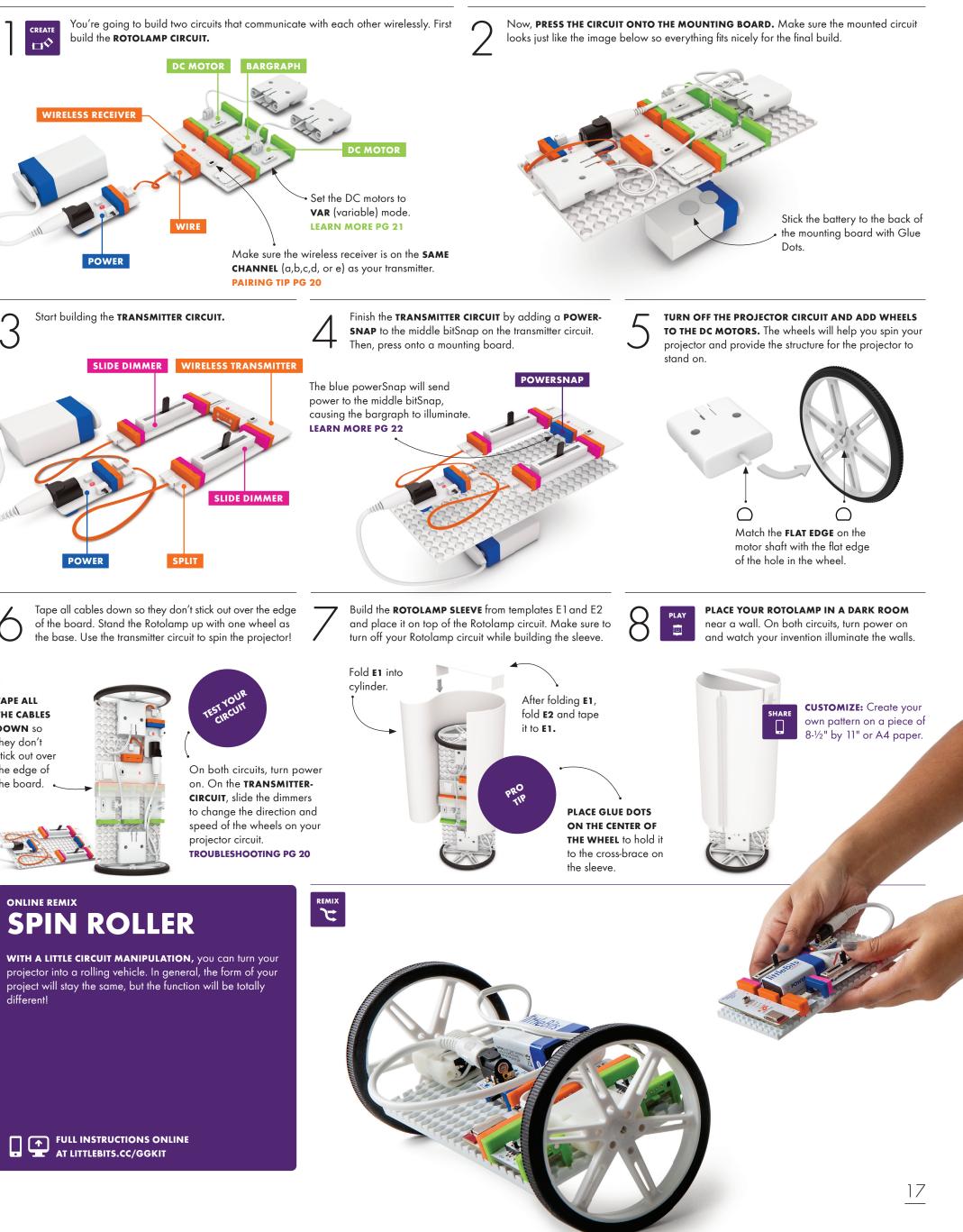
PLAY



ROTOLAMP

WHEN THE LIGHTS GO AWAY, THE WALL CREATURES COME OUT TO PLAY! Create your own light patterns that dance in the dark with this rotating light projector. How creative can you get? Can you build a constellation that rotates as though it were above you in the sky? Personalize your creation and control its speed and direction wirelessly.

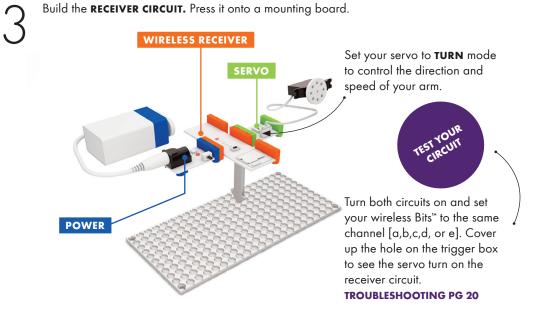






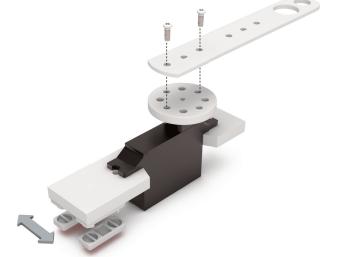
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BUILD A TRIGGER BOX and place your transmitter circuit within it. Cut out a small hole, and use Glue Dots to stick the light sensor and wireless transmitter to the side with the hole. The light sensor should be facing out of the hole. Exposing the light sensor will activate the wireless interaction. light sensor



BUILD YOUR SPY BOX. You can use any kind of box that's at least as long as the

BUILD THE MECHANICAL ARM with the receiver and transmitter ON, and the hole of the trigger box **COVERED UP.** This will set the servo in the correct position for opening the Spy Box. DO NOT screw the servo onto the servo mount.



Use Glue Dots and adhesive shoes to ATTACH THE SERVO TO THE TOP OF THE INSIDE OF THE BOX so that the mechanical arm pushes against the top of the flap when triggered. Stick the mounting board to the back of the box using more Glue Dots. (Note: Adhesive shoes are one-time use only.)



mechanical arm.

Turn on the transmitter circuit, close up the trigger box, and set it down with the hole facing down. Turn on the secret compartment, stash your goods, and close it. When you're ready, ASK YOUR FELLOW SPY TO PICK UP THE TRIGGER BOX. This will wirelessly activate the secret compartment, revealing the hidden goods!



CUSTOMIZE: Make your transmitter and compartment LOOK LIKE EVERY-DAY OBJECTS. This way, only you and your confidants will know how to access the hidden goods.

Cut the entire side of the box so that it opens as a single flap. It should swing down so it lies flat on the ground when open.

ONLINE REMIX **MAGIC HAT**

GATHER YOUR AUDIENCE! Tell them that you have created a magic connection between your magic hat and magician's wand. Slowly lift your hat and amaze your audience as the wand slowly begins to rise into the air. By swapping a few Bits and adding some specialty props, you can turn your spy box into a magic trick fit for the stage!

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Tape two cardboard tabs to

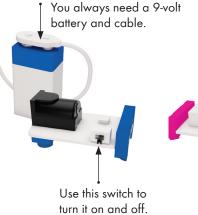
the top edge of the flap. The

hold the flap in place.

tabs will tuck into the box and

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BIT INDEX



p1 POWER

The power Bit lets you use a 9-volt battery to supply power to all the Bits that are connected. It also sends a 5-volt signal that controls what your other Bits do. Connect the battery and cable and flip the switch to turn it on. To make a simple circuit, connect the power Bit to any green output Bit (like the bargraph).



SEE IN **ALL THE PROJECTS!**



i5 SLIDE DIMMER

You control the slide dimmer

by moving its slider from one

end of the Bit to the other. By

doing this, you are changing

the signal that runs through

your circuit. It functions just like

a light dimmer you might find

in a recording studio. Snap a

bargraph Bit after it for some

The slide dimmer is an analog

input, which means that as you

adjust the position of the slider,

you are changing the signal

that runs through your circuit.

SEE IN

REAL WORLD ANALOGY

LIGHT SWITCH DIMMER

MEGABLASTER PG 6

adjustable mood lighting.

at home, or a volume fader

This switch This is the controls if the actual light Bit is in **LIGHT** sensor or **DARK** mode.



Use the screwdriver accessory to control the sensitivity here.

i13 LIGHT SENSOR

The light sensor measures how much light is shining on it. It has two modes: LIGHT and DARK. In LIGHT mode, the more light shines on the sensor, the more signal it lets through. In **DARK** mode, it's just the opposite - the signal increases as the environment gets darker. You can use the purple screwdriver to adjust the sensitivity of the sensor. Snap before a bargraph to see how it works! The light sensor is an analog input. This means the amount of signal sent to the Bits that follow it changes depending on how much light it senses.

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STREET LIGHT SENSOR NIGHT LIGHT SENSOR

SEE IN

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PRO TIP In DARK mode, turn the sensitivity dial all the way clockwise using your purple screwdriver. This essentially turns your sensor into a button. The wire does just what it sounds like - it allows you to put more space between your Bits. Try it whenever you need to break up your chain, like when you need to put a light at the top of a model building!

w1 WIRE



SEE IN

a signal through bitSnap 1 on the transmitter circuit, the output connected to bitSnap **MEGABLASTER PG 6** 1 on the receiver circuit will send out that same signal.

To change the channel,

the board and choose

press the button on

A,B,C,D OR E.



The five transmission channels allow for up to five transmitter/ receiver pairs to be used in the same vicinity

The Bits can communicate a signal

up to a distance of about 100 feet

Control your Bits remotely with

receiver. To do this, you'll need

to make two separate circuits,

one to transmit the signal and

one to receive it. The three

bitSnaps (labeled 1, 2, and

3) on both the transmitter and

receiver correspond to each

other. For example, if you send

the wireless transmitter and

These Bits need each other in order to wor

The wireless Bits are able to

communicate on five different

transmission channels, like a

walkie talkie. Both the wireless

transmitter and receiver need

to be set to the same channel

in order to talk to each other.

REAL WORLD ANALOGY

MISCHIEF MACHINE

PRO TIP When playing with

Bitbot or Rotolamp, we recom-

mitter circuit on first and set the

mend that you turn the trans-

slide dimmers to the halfway

position (2.5V). Since the mo-

tors on the receiver circuit are

in **VAR** (variable) mode, they

will stand still when you turn on the receiver circuit.

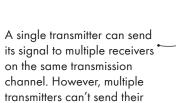
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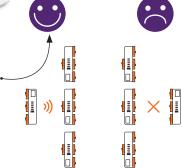
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PG 9

w22 WIRELESS TRANSMITTER & w21 WIRELESS RECEIVER

indoors!





THE SENSOR IS NOT TURN-ING ALL THE WAY ON/OFF WHEN I COMPLETELY COVER UP THE SENSOR WITH MY **FINGERTIP. THE SENSOR IS NOT REACTING TO CHANGES** IN LIGHTNESS/DARKNESS.

1) Make sure you are covering the sensor component on the board. 2) If the ambient light is bright enough, the light may actually be traveling through your fingertip and hitting the light sensor - it's quite sensitive. You may need to move to an area with a little less light or try to shield your circuit from ambient light.



w19 SPLIT



own power supply.

ERRATICALLY. 1) Make sure both circuits are

TROUBLE-SHOOTING

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MY CIRCUIT ISN'T WORKING Make sure your power Bit is on. You should see a red LED illuminated

on the board 2) Try swapping in a new 9-volt pattery. Low batteries can cause a circuit to behave erratically. 3) Make sure the power cable is securely fastened to both the battery as well as to the power Bit.

4) Make sure your Bits are arranged in the proper order. Remember that you always need a power Bit + pow er supply at the beginning of each circuit and an output Bit at the end. If the last Bit in your chain is an input,

then it won't do anything to affect your circuit

5) Check your connections. Make sure that all the Bits are securely snapped to each other. You can also try gently wiping down the ends of the bitSnaps with a soft cloth (like your sleeve) - sometimes dust gets in the way of a strong connection. While the circuit is still on, try unsnapping, cleaning the bitSnaps, and snapping it all back together again.

THE SENSITIVITY OF MY LIGHT SENSOR KEEPS CHANGING

signal to the same receiver.

Are you moving your circuit around between different rooms and spaces? Light conditions can vary quite a bit depending on many different factors like the type of light you're working under, or the time of day (sun coming in from the windows comes in at different angles, depending on what time it is). If your light sensor is in a new environment (for example, if the sun went down), it can change how the circuit responds to the situation.

wire out

The split Bit sends a single signal to two other Bits. It's great for controlling two outputs with one input, like driving two motors with one light sensor. You can also use it like a wire Bit if you ignore one of the connections. Both WIRE OUT bitSnaps will output the same amount of signal voltage that they receive from the **WIRE IN** bitSnap.

REAL WORLD ANALOGY **POWER STRIP**

BITBOT PG 14

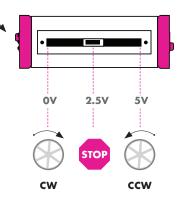


The DC (or "direct current") motor rotates a shaft when you send it a signal. The **cw**/ VAR/CCW (clockwise, variable, and counter-clockwise) switch controls the direction it rotates. The tethered motor can be oriented in any direction and pressed onto littleBits mounting boards and shoes. For a more permanent mounting solution, you can use screws to secure the motor to a surface with the mounting holes. The mounting holes are also designed to fit with Actobotics[™] parts.

REAL WORLD ANALOGY **REMOTE CONTROL CAR FERRIS WHEEL**

SEE IN **ROTOLAMP PG 16**

When the DC motor is in **VAR** (variable) mode, the amount of signal voltage the motor receives from an analog input, like a slide dimmer, allows you to control the speed and direction (clockwise or counter-clockwise) of its motion.



The bargraph is a great indicator of how much signal is passing through your circuit.

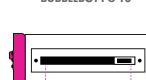


o9 BARGRAPH

The bargraph has five LEDs in different colors that light up to show you how much signal the Bit is receiving. Try it with a slide dimmer to make your own adjustable lamp.









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WHEELS

When used with a DC motor, this 3-3/16" (80mm) diamete wheel is perfect for making bots, vehicles, and spinning inventions alike.

a10 MOTORMATE

The motorMate makes it easy to attach paper, cardboard, LEGO® axles, and lots of other materials to the DC motor. Simply slide the motorMate onto the shaft on the motor. The motorMate has two different sized slots: one fits most standard craft sticks and the other fits thicker papers like cardstock.

o6 BUZZER

or alarm!

SEE IN

PG 8

The buzzer is like the sound

in an alarm clock: it makes

a noise that you just can't

ignore. It buzzes whenever it

gets an **ON** signal. Try using

it to make your own doorbell

REAL WORLD ANALOGY

WIRELESS DOORBELL

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CAR HORN

DOORBELL

HOW CAN I CHANGE THE POSITION OF MY MECHANI-CAL ARM?

Did you know that you can remove the servo hub from the servo motor? To do this, hold the black part of the servo motor and pull the hub away from it. It should pop off. Then you can rotate the position of the arm to your liking and press the hub back on. You may need to try this a few times to get it just right.

I TURNED OFF MY TRANSMIT-TER CIRCUIT IN BITBOT OR ATTACHING THE WHEEL/ ROTOLAMP, BUT THE WHEELS MOTORMATE TO MY MOTOR. ON MY RECEIVER CIRCUIT ARE STILL RUNNING

This happens because your DC motors are set to **VAR** (variable) mode. When the wireless transmitter is off, the wireless receiver assumes that it is receiving a OV signal. As seen above, in variable mode, a OV signal causes the motor to rotate CW (clockwise) mode at full speed. If you don't want this to happen, just turn off the receiver circuit before you turn off the transmitter.



o13 FAN

The fan is just what you'd

think: a small electric fan

tethered to a Bit. Use our

little fan to create fluttering

movement in your creations or

just to keep yourself cool. Feet

attached to the fan allow you

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HOUSEHOLD FAN

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COMPUTER FAN

to secure it onto a mounting

board or shoes.

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The servo is a controllable motor that can swing back and forth. It has two modes: in **TURN** mode, the input from other Bits determines the position of the arm. Try using a dimmer to set the angle you want. In **SWING** mode, the servo will move back and forth on its own - the input controls the speed. Attach a flag to make a signaling machine!



a9 MOUNTING BOARD

To use the mounting board always first snap together your littleBits circuit, then press the feet of your Bits into the holes of the mounting board. Press down on the bitSnaps - not the circuit board - when attaching your Bits to the mounting board. There are four holes in the corners so you can permanently mount your circuit to any surface.

I'M HAVING TROUBLE

Make sure that the flat side of the hole on the wheel/motorMate matches up with the flat side on the motor shaft.

MY WIRELESS TRANSMITTER/ **RECEIVER DOESN'T SEEM TO BE DOING ANYTHING.**

The transmitter and receiver only work as a pair. You will need to make two separate circuits, each with its

MY WIRELESS PAIR ARE NOT COMMUNICATING/ACTING

switched on and that the batteries have enough power. A low battery in either the transmitter or receiver can make your circuits behave erratically.

2) Then, make sure both the transmitter and receiver are on the same channel. Also make sure no one else in the area is using the same channel

3) Make sure your bitSnaps cor relate. If you are using a slide dimmer on bitSnap 1 on the transmitter to control a bargraph on the receiver, the bargraph should be snapped to bitSnap 1 on the receiver.

4) Make sure your two circuits are in range of one another. Try moving closer to see if that helps. Sometimes obstacles (like walls and floors) can aet in the way

MY SERVO IS MOVING ERRATICALLY

1) Check your battery. Try swapping in a new one.

2) Check to make sure the servo's wire is connected to the board. **3)** The servo motor can only take so much weight. If you have something attached to it, you might need to lighten the load.

4) If your servo is receiving a signal from a light sensor, changing light conditions may have an effect on your servo. Try placing the circuit in a more stable light environment, like away from a window.

BIT INDEX



SERVO HUB & ACCESSORIES

The servo hub lets you easily attach materials to your servo motor and add more complex movements to your littleBits projects

The servo hub has two different sized mounting holes. When used with the included #6 screws, the larger holes are through holes and the smaller holes are self-tapping.

The servo hub can be removed by gently pulling it off the servo motor. This is helpful if you need to reorient how the holes are positioned for a project.

Your servo also comes with a few extra black attachments to help you in your inventions. These parts are interchangeable with the servo hub.

For a more permanent connection, secure the hub/arm attachments to the servo with the tiny screw found in the extra servo accessories.

To attach the servo mount, gently press the servo motor in from the side, then secure the servo motor to the mount with two #6 screws and a Phillips-head screwdriver.

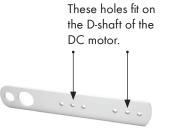
The servo mount has two feet that fit into a mounting board or shoes.

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Swallowed magnets can stick together across intestines causing serious infections and death. Seek immediate medical attention if magnets are wallowed or inhaled • Most modules are small parts. DO NOT allow children under 3 years old to play with or near this product.NEVER connect any modules or circuits to any AC electrical outlet. • Do not touch or hold any moving parts of modules while they are operating

 Keep conductive materials (such as aluminum foil, staples, paper clips, etc.) away from the circuit and the connector terminals. • Always turn off circuits when not in se or when left unattended.

• Never use modules in or near any liquid.



MECHANICAL ARM

The mechanical arm can be used with both the servo and DC motor to expand the mechanical capabilities of your projects.



With the servo mount, you can secure the tethered servo motor to a mounting board or any surface using littleBits shoes.

Connects to the servo hub with the

screws provided.

The servo's range of motion is about 140°.

wipe with a dry cloth.

on modules.

DO NOT use any other cleaning products

 $F \$ radio and television interference

1) This device may not cause harmful

FCC ID: SH6MDBT40 This device complies with the limits for

a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is

subject to the following two conditions:

Never use in any extreme environments or standard rechargeable batteries may also be used. Properly discard and cold, high humidity, dust or sand. eplace exhausted batteries • Modules are subject to damage by static Do not connect the two battery electricity. Handle with care terminals to any conducting material. • Some modules may become warm to the CARE AND CLEANING touch when used in certain circuit Clean modules ONLY by wiping with a dry cloth. If necessary, isopropyl alcohol on a cloth may be used sparingly, and then designs. This is normal. Rearrange modules or discontinue using if they become excessively hot.

• Discontinue use of any modules that malfunction, become damaged or broken. VERY IMPORTANT NOTE • Several projects in this kit involve the use of sharp objects. These tools should be used ONLY under direct adult

supervision. INSTRUCTIONS

We recommend using littleBits brand 9-volt batteries, but standard alkaline

The adhesive shoes are one-time use only



a7 ADHESIVE SHOES

These shoes have a sticky backing. Simply snap together your littleBits circuit, press the feet of your Bits into the holes of the shoes, remove the red adhesive backing, and place the circuit on any surface - paper, cardboard, plastic - you name it!



a6 HOOK & LOOP SHOES

These shoes have a VELCRO® like backing. Simply snap together your littleBits circuit, press the feet of your Bits into the holes of the shoes, and then place the circuit on the provided HOOK & LOOP **STRIP.** Cut the strip to the size you need before peeling off the backing, and stick to any surface.

Fits a standard marker.



in the hole, wrap rubber bands around the pen on either side of the hole to hold it snugly in place.

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If this equipment does cause harmful

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turning the equipment off and on, the

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energy and, if not installed and used

may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no

sonable protection against harmful

stallation. This equipment generates,

a21 POWERSNAP

The brick adapter enables you to easily attach Bits to LEGO® bricks. Each pack comes with brick adapter studs and sockets. With brick adapter studs, your Bits will defy gravity! Simply attach the adapter underneath your bricks and press the feet of your Bits into place. With brick adapter sockets, you can mount your Bits on top of LEGO bricks. Simply attach the adapter to your bricks, and press the feet of your Bits into place.

a8 BRICK ADAPTERS

Every littleBits circuit needs power and every Bit receives power through its input bitSnap. For Bits with multiple inputs, like the wireless transmitter, using a split will only send power to two of the wireless transmitter's input bitSnaps. The third input bitSnap is left hanging - this is where the powerSnap comes in. Adding a powerSnap to that third input bitSnap is an easy way to supply power to the hanging input without the need for extra forks, splits, or power supplies. The power-Snap basically takes the power from the power supply pin of the circuit (often referred to as VCC) and reroutes it to the input bitSnap's signal pin.

Note that powerSnaps are not currently compatible with 2-input logic Bits.



This powerSnap re-routes the power coming from the power Bit, so the circuit only needs one power Bit.

following measures: antenna. • Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver • Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected. • Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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GOT A QUESTION? Visit littleBits.cc/faq for shooting and additional support. troubles



BALL CASTER

The ball caster works as a wheel, and can be attached to a surface using Glue Dots[®] or small screws (not included). The white ball can also be removed from the socket to be used as a ball.



CREATE

and fix it.

PLAY



The powerSnap only works in conjunction with a power Bit and power supply (e.g. a battery), and is not a replacement for them. You should only use a powerSnap with Bits that have multiple input bitSnaps, like the wireless transmitter.

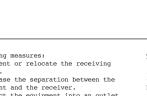
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THE LITTLEBITS INVENTION CYCLE

CREATE

PLAY

REMIX

SHARE

Put something together. It doesn't matter if you build it from instructions or make something from your imagination. Your first creation may not be perfect, and it might even fail, but the truth is that failure is actually pretty helpful. When something doesn't work, you get a chance to learn why,

Use it! Playing with what you created is a lot of fun, but it's also an important part of being an inventor. Playing is a kind of test run, a chance to see how well your creation works and look for ways you can make it better.

REMIX

Start experimenting. Try adding new Bits, swapping parts with other inventions, or taking all the pieces apart and putting them together in a different way. Remixing is a great way to improve what you've created or discover new ways to use it.

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SHARE

Inspire others by showing the world what you've created. Get inspired by exploring what other people have shared. Try creating, playing with, and remixing their inventions to see what new and wonderful things you can create. This is how the community grows and awesome new inventions enter the world.

FAVORITE MATERIALS + USEFUL TOOLS

EVERY MAKER LIKES TO HAVE SOME GOOD MATERIALS AND TOOLS ON HAND. Here are some of our favorites. If you're going to be making a lot of projects, you might want to collect some of these things ahead of time and keep them in a tool box or bin. Less time searching the house for tools means more time inventing cool stuff!

CARDBOARD Even the fanciest littleBits projects usually start out as cardboard models. Shipping boxes are a good source of rigid corrugated cardboard - cereal boxes are the perfect source for thinner, more flexible stuff

GLUE DOTS® Half-way between glue and tape, these doublesided sticky dots are easy to apply, don't need to dry, and have serious sticking power.

EMPTY CONTAINERS (PAPER CUPS, MILK JUGS, WATER BOTTLES) We go through our recycling bins all the time looking for cool shapes and materials to work with (pro tip: wash before using!).

CONSTRUCTION TOYS These are a great way to build quick structures for littleBits projects (check out the Bumperball remix we did with LEGO® for an example).

SCISSORS STRING **CONSTRUCTION PAPER** CAMERA PHILIPS-HEAD SCREWDRIVER TAPE RULER SKETCHBOOK **PENCILS, PENS & MARKERS**

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