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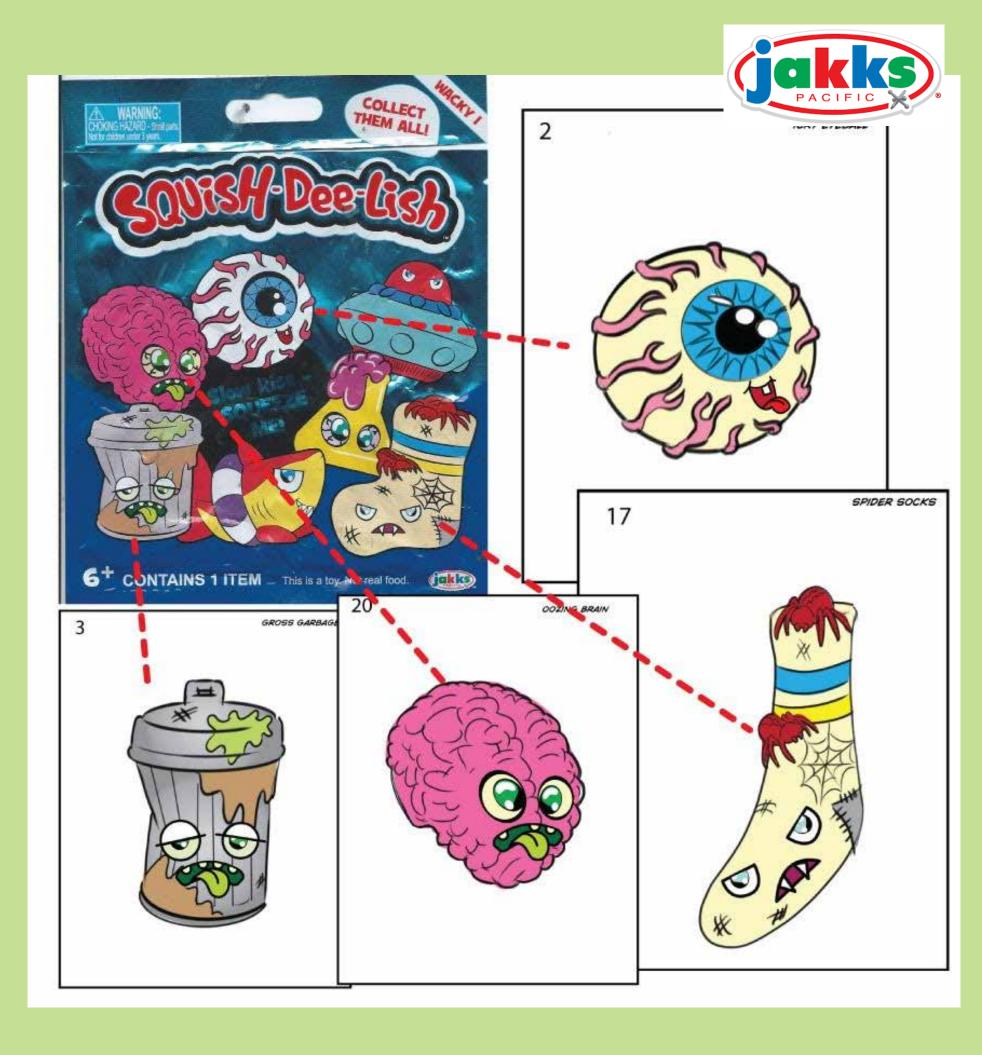














In a couple of weeks, Grossery Gang toys will hit the stores! They are from our pals at Moose Toys, the makers of Shopkins, and were invented by Bang Zoom, and my Poughkeepsie Peep Aaron Tompkins. Grossery Gang is a line of mini collectibles for boys, and hopefully girls who love Shopkins will also want em! Here's a vid:



# The Grossery Gang meets Shopkins OFFICIAL SNEAK PEEK

Meet the Grossery Gang! The grossest, moldiest collectable in the universe! Browse the vile aisles of putrid products and foul foods! It's your One Slop Shop...

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COMES WITH COLLECTIBLE BAND AID STICKER REWARD.







SECOND YOU FIND PATIENT IN NEED.

FIRST YOU GET YOUR PATIENTS CLIP BOARD.

OPEN BAND-AID BOX.

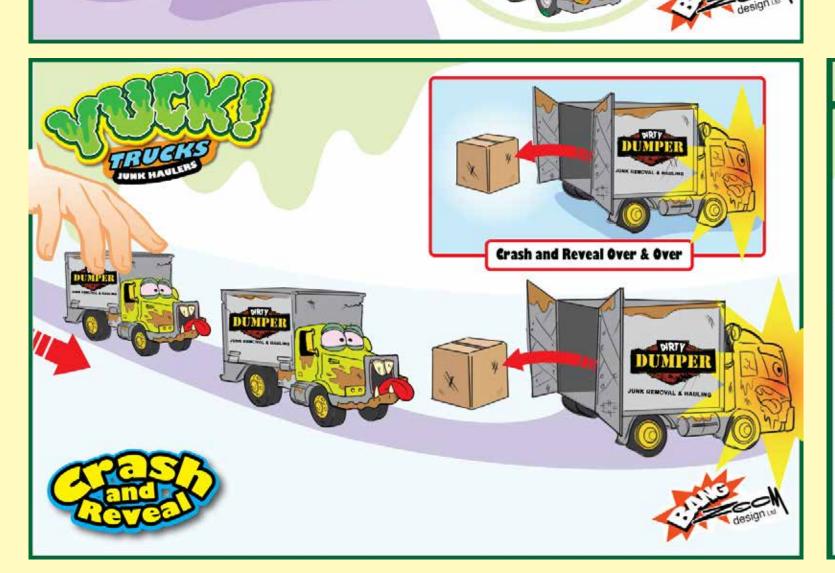
THIRD FIND TINY CASTS & BANDAGES.













### **CELL LOCK UP**

At the beginning of the game, everyone puts their phone into the cell phone jail.

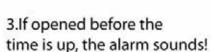
As time goes on, you'll hear various calls, texts, and emails, but you can't pick up your phone. If you're the first one to give in to temptation, and open the jail

an alarm will sound.

Card game asks very simple EX: Bosses phone number questions, players can NOT EX: Best friends birthday

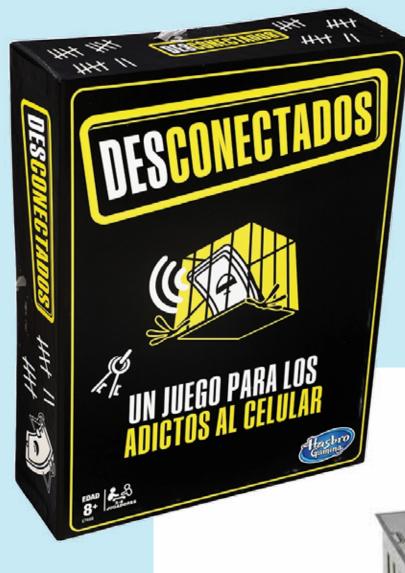
cell phone jail

What's your best friends birthday?



















# 12 Days of Christmas Elmo

Ages: 18 months & up

\$15.00

If Elmo's your true love, get ready for a wacky 12 days of Christmas! Each time you squeeze his hand, this cuddly elf sings a phrase from his own silly version of the 12 Days of Christmas song. While he sings, the star in his hand lights up and glows. Illustrated song sheet lets you sing and count along, from 12 monsters humming, all the way down to a great big pizza with cheese!

Approx. 13"

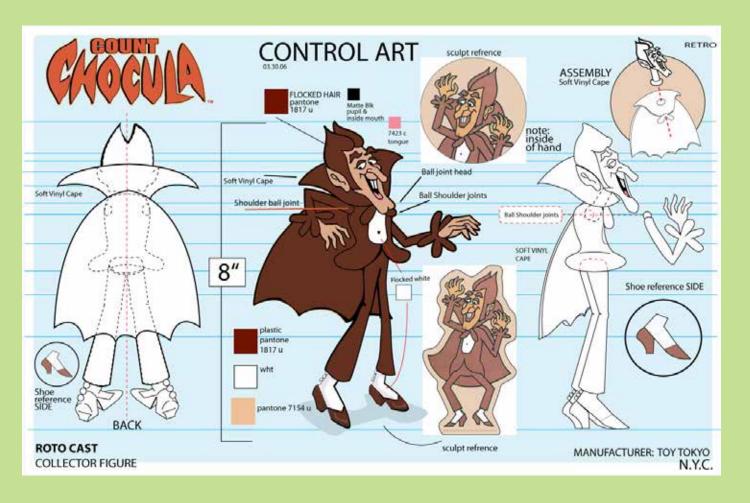


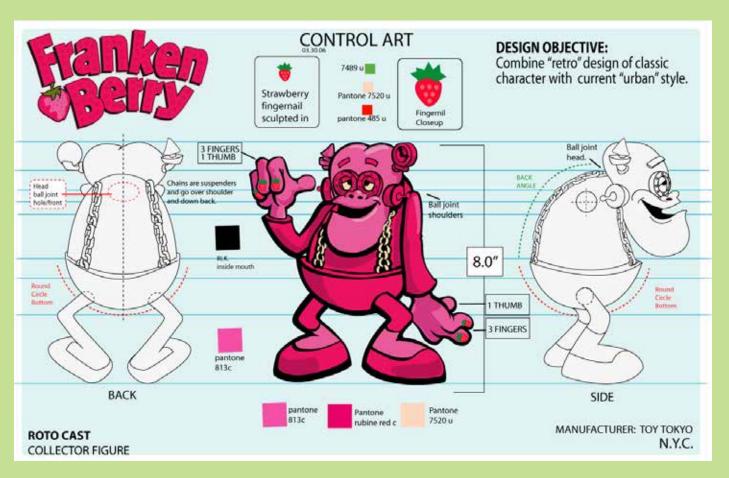














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**ROTO CAST** 

**COLLECTOR FIGURE** 







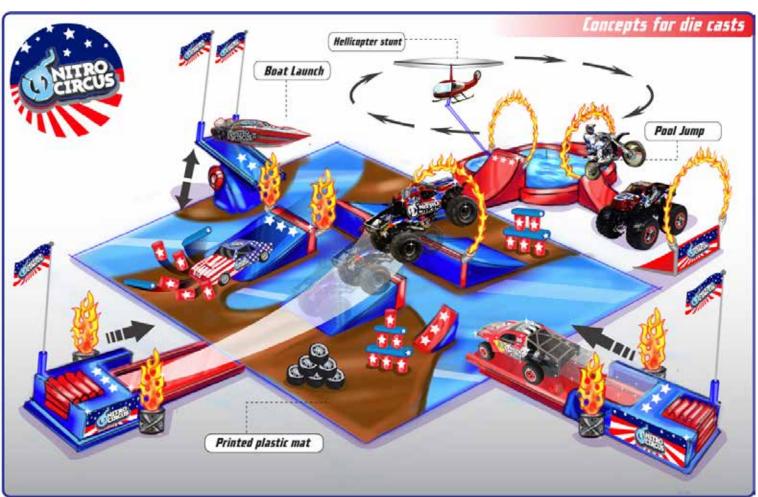


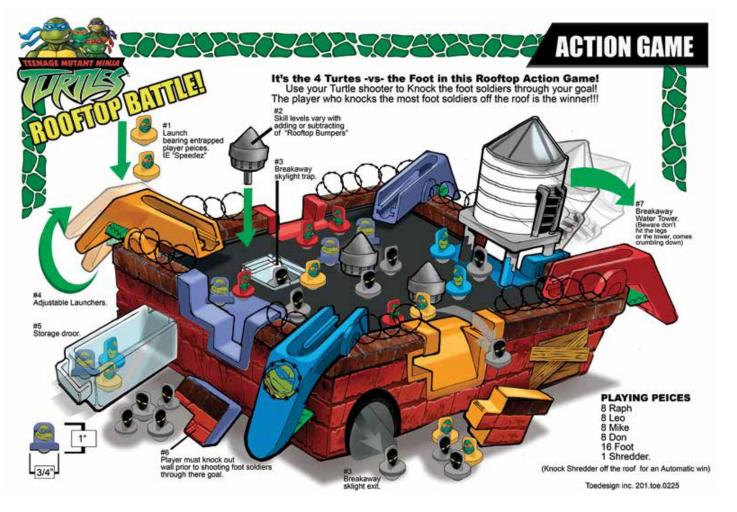








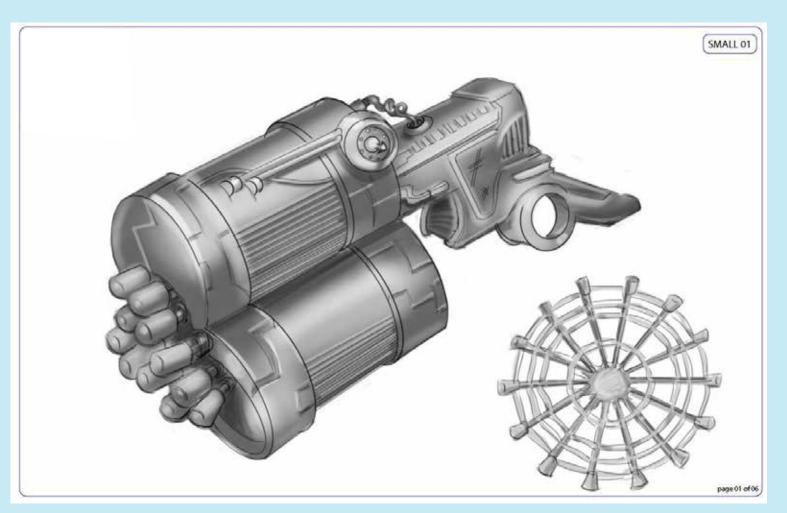


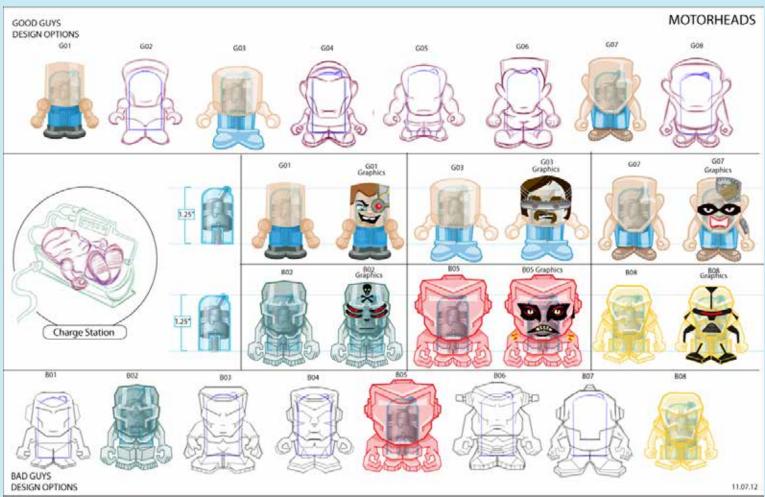










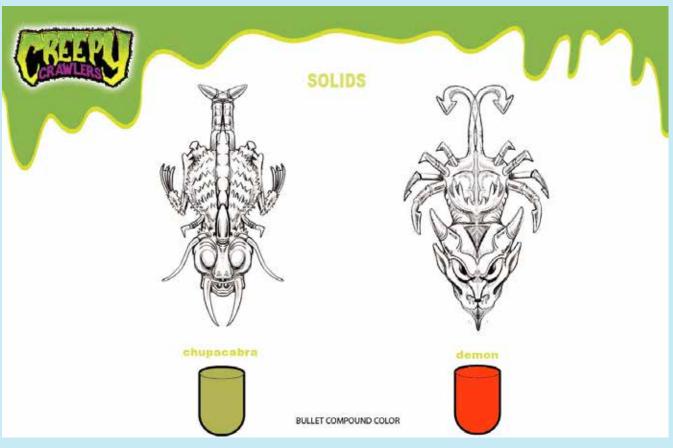








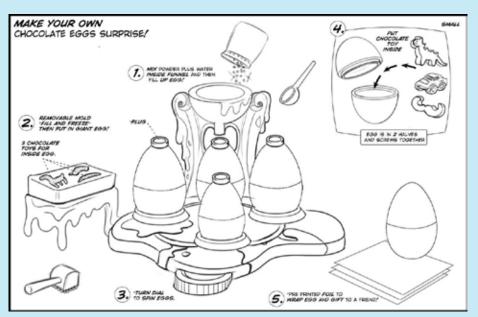




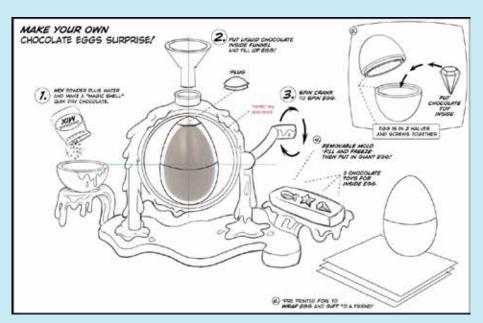








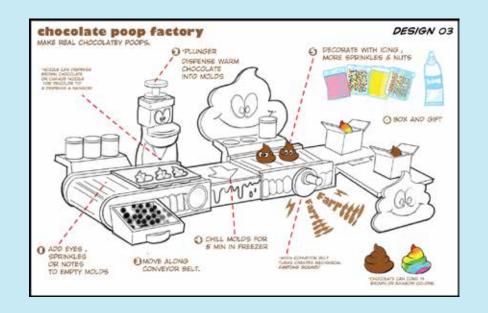




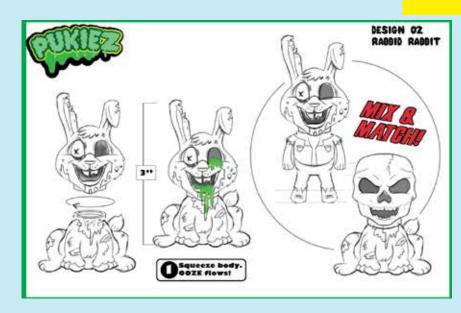








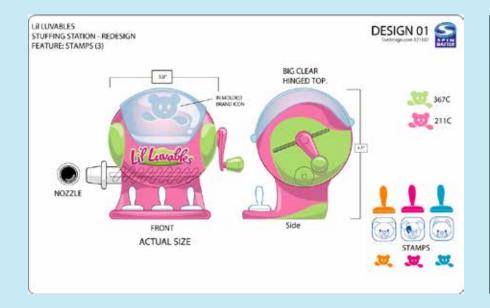


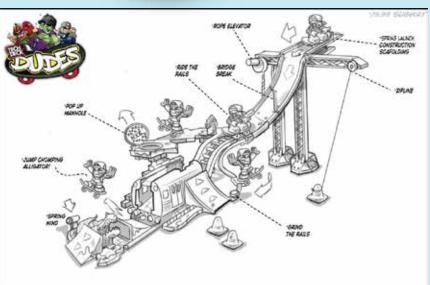


















# Building a better toy

business for these students at FIT

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## All's fair in fun and games at toy expo Show unveils the hottest items and trends



Aaron Tompkins of Union City demonstrates his talking Swear Bears, the bad boys of the stuffed bear world.

#### BY PETER GENOVESE STAR-LEDGER STAFF

NEW YORK - Kids are not allowed at the country's biggest toy fair, which is probably a good thing given the grown-up nature of some of the products on dis-

"This is America's number one bad bear," Aaron Tompkins of Union City said of his Swear Bears, a line of talking teddy bears that live up to their name.

Welcome to the 105th annual American International Toy Fair, a showcase and meeting place for 1,200-plus manufacturers, distributors, importers and sales agents from 94 countries.

The four-day fair, held at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, ends tomorrow. It is both serious trade show and informal schmooz-fest. The air is rife with gossip, rumor, trade secrets, and wheeling and dealing.

## REPORTER

I COULD DO THAT

# THE TOY **DESIGNER**

Aaron Mark, 29, gets paid to think like a child

#### **Customer feedback**

"It's fun to hear other people talk about your toy. I sometimes hang out in toy aisles. Kids will be like, 'That thing sucks,' or 'This is the coolest. Then you start thinking, 'Man, I should have made more money on that thing!"

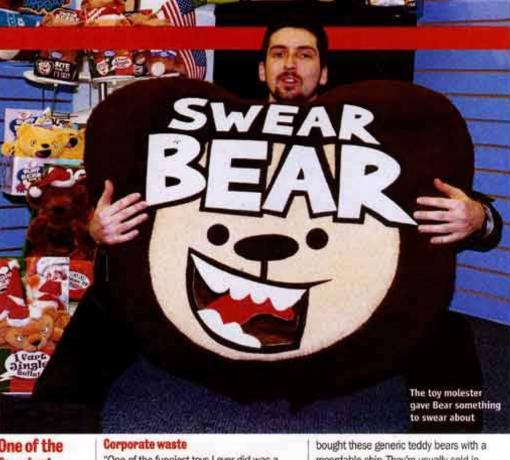
seeks SWM into albinos, muscle relaxants and wrestling in mayonnaise. No freaks.

# Pleasure children!

Toy inventors needed to dream up new playthings for youngsters

Do you still play with G.1, Joe? Have you kept your old Star Wars play sets? Do you find your sleep filed with visions of that luscious Strawberry Shortcake? The toy industry wants dreamers like your Positions available for creative individuals to generate new ideas for toys, dolls and board games that are capable of asparating dolling parents from their money: Education at F.I.T.'s toy design department recommended. Hours flexible. Royalties reach 5 percent of total toy sales. ......

NEEDED: Parents who get involve



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"One of the funniest toys I ever did was a smoking baby. I put a pump in a doll's head so when you stuck a cigarette in his mouth and pumped his head, he'd smoke the cigarette. It was hilanous. Of course, nobody wanted to go there. It's OK, though; most inventors will create 100

toys a year, and then sell only two or three." Grass-roots marketing

"My newest thing is the Swear Bear, For the earliest version, I

recordable chip. They're usually sold in hospitals so mothers can put messages in there like "Get better soon!" My chips say, "What are you, a fucking pervert? You gotta touch teddy bears? Why don't you go fuck yourself!" We put them up on the Internet and sold a couple thousand really quickly."

#### **Executive compensation**

"I sold this playset to Micro Machines back in the day. From that, I had enough money to move back to New York and set up a small company. I bought a Porsche 928, but I blew the engine after three months. It was a rock 'n' roll lifestyle till I blew all the money." (AW)



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