



It was Gerald's birthday and he was having a great time but something was missing.

"Where's Fleabag?" he said. "Still acting weird?"

"Afraid so." Gene sighed. "It's like he's not gross any more. But don't let that spoil your birthday. Look, I got you a present."

"I hope it's something EXTRA gross!" said Gerald. "I like the rotting banana skin wrapping paper."



Now most kids would like to get something nice, like a bicycle or a football, for their birthday. But Gerald, Gene and Fleabag weren't like most kids, and whenever one of them had a birthday, the others would try to get them the grossest gifts they could find.

In fact over the years they had given each other some truly disgusting presents!



UNREAL!

Gerald once gave Gene a Frisbee made out of a cowpat.



UG-BRILLIANT!

Gene once gave Fleabag a bookmark that was actually a live millipede.



IT TOOK ME AN UG-WEEK TO WEAVE!

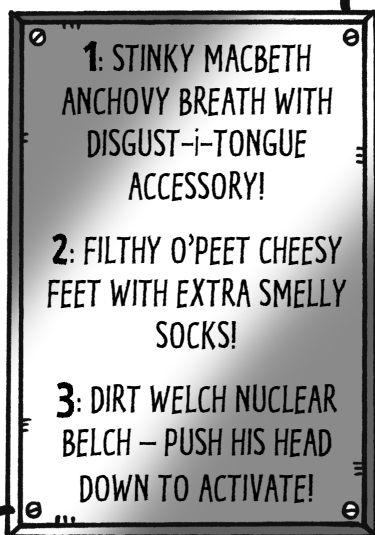
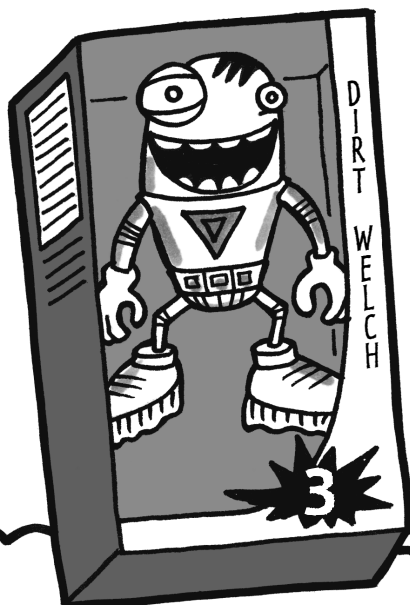
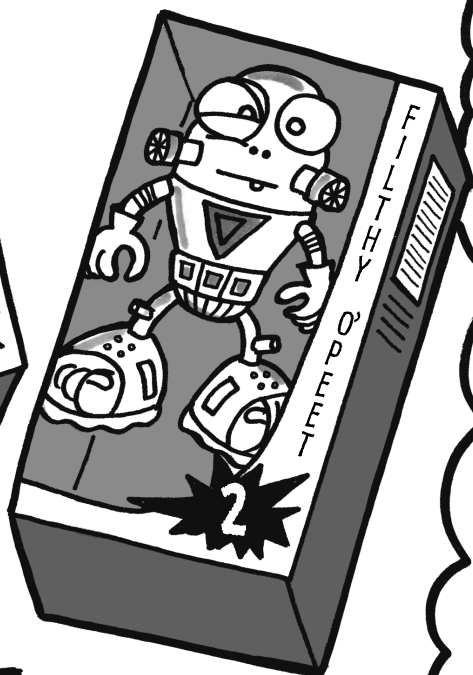
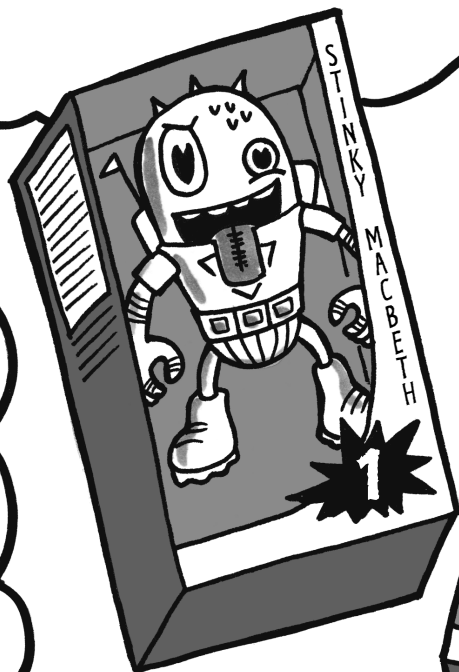
And **Fleabag** once gave Gerald a nit-infested sweater made from his own hair!

"Garbage Dump Dummies!" marvelled Gerald, holding up three action figures. "These are too cool for words. Thanks, Gene!"

"They've only just hit the stores," said Gene. "In fact, I was the first person to buy them. They're going to be the next big craze, and we've got them first!"



Now you've probably seen action figures before – you may even have some in your bedroom right now – but you've never seen anything like the Garbage Dump Dummies. Let's take a closer look...



"I can't wait to show these to Fleabag!" said Gerald.
"Their special powers are amazing!"

Just then Fleabag appeared ... carrying a large fruit bowl.

"Happy ug-birthday!" he said. "I ug-got you an ug-bowl of exotic fruity treats."

"Thanks, Fleabag, but these aren't even rotten," said Gerald.

"Are you feeling all right?"

"No, I'm ug-not," said Fleabag, pointing at the Garbage Dump Dummies. "Those are ug-yucky! I ug-need some ug-fresh air. Ug-now!"

"Fresh air?" said Gene. "I thought Fleabag was allergic to fresh air."

But Gerald and Gene were too busy to think about Fleabag's new love of fruit and fresh air – they had brand-new action figures to check out!

