

Ash's alien invasion blog

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Hi, I'm Ash, and this is my blog! I set it up to keep track of what's been going on in Finney Island since the alien invasion last week. Yes, you heard right: Alien. Invasion.

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What a week it's been! I'm not even sure where to begin, but I'll try my best ...

It all started when an alien named Perseon V invaded my hometown, Finney Island, and turned all the adults into robots. He even changed my parents! It was up to me, my sports-mad little sister Tabby, and my genius scientist Aunt Emmy to find a way to turn them all back and stop Perseon V.

But we were too late – at a school party, Perseon V cleverly sent all the children into a deep sleep so he could change them into robots, too. Emmy, Tabby and I only just managed to escape by blasting out the window with a rocket pack!

We crash-landed in Finney Forest, and found Perseon V's hidden spaceship – which looked like it had crash-landed, too. The Mayor of Finney Island had been held prisoner inside the



damaged spaceship, which is where Barry Sandwich, the biggest bully in school, and his gang found us. They had only just managed to escape from Perseon V themselves and wanted to help us stop him. I was the only one who wasn't keen – after all, they'd spent all year bullying me – but the others persuaded me to let them join us.

Together, we sneaked into Finney town centre and broke into the Town Hall. In the basement, we discovered all the adults asleep in glass pods beside a huge machine called the CLONEZONE 8000. We realised that Perseon V wasn't turning the adults and children into robots, he was making robot clones of them! He'd even made a robot clone of Barry's beloved cat, Tiddles.

Just as we shut the machine down, Perseon V and his army of robots surrounded the Town Hall. Emmy blocked up all the doors and windows with her Soup zapper – which fires out rock-hard soup – and then left through an underground passage to carry out a secret mission. Until she got back, it was up to us to stop the robots from getting inside and prevent Perseon V from turning the CLONEZONE 8000 back on. Unbelievably, she put me in charge!

That's right – me, Ash, is charged with saving the day. I've never even been captain of a rounders team before. How on Earth am I going to stop hundreds of robots from getting inside the Town Hall?!



BRILLIANT BRAINWAVE

“Well, Ash? What do we do?”

I looked at the expectant faces in front of me. There was Tabby, my little sister, and the Mayor of Finney Island, and the school bully Barry Sandwich, and Clarissa, Lee and Jaya, the rest of his gang. They were all waiting for me to come up with a brilliant idea.

“Er ...” I said.

THUMP! THUMP! THUMP!

Outside, the robots hammered away at the doors and windows. The rock-hard soup was holding for now, but it wouldn't keep them out forever – sooner or later the doors to the foyer would give way, and the robot army would get inside.

“We ... we have to make sure those robots don't get anywhere near the basement,” I said. “If they do,

Perseon V will be in control of the CLONEZONE 8000 again, and can make as many new robots as he wants.”

“But how are we going to stop them?” said Barry.
“We can’t fight hundreds of robots!”

“And our Soup zapper’s empty,” said Tabby. “That was the only weapon we had.”

I was out of my depth. Everyone here was relying on me to come up with a solution – and that included all the adults and children of Finney Island, stuck in a deep sleep below us.

At that moment, the Mayor ran back upstairs. “I let Emmy out through the secret tunnel – who knows where she’s gone to?”

If only Aunt Emmy were still here, I thought. She’d know what to do. She’d come up with a really clever idea that—

Then I had a brainwave.

“We’re not going to fight the robots,” I said. “We’re going to trick them. We might not be tough, but we have other skills we can use.”

“Like what?” said Tabby.

