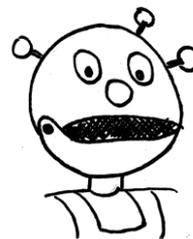


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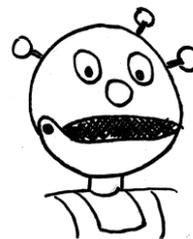
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Because he invented Clarence the robot.

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He would embarrass Dale at school.

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On Monday

Over the next few days

The next day

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It was a woman with a pointy nose and Mrs Smart had such a nose.

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Dale had told Clarence not to speak to her.

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Open, no, Dale and Clarence had planned for this very event the night before.

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He read about a Japanese robot that could do housework.