



For all those wonderfully inventive, endlessly resourceful primary teachers out there – including Rosie Hegarty, who created the spark that became this book.

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To Elsa, Hannah, Amy, Cléopée, Arthur, Basile, Indy, Louis, Léon and all the kool kids of the 21st century. And to my devil 20th century baby sister, you are still my favourite.

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# The story of inventions

# Once upon a big idea

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With a whizz, fizz,  
zip, zap,  
tick, tock,  
click, clack.

And a beep, bleep,  
whoosh, whirr...

welcome to  
our modern world!

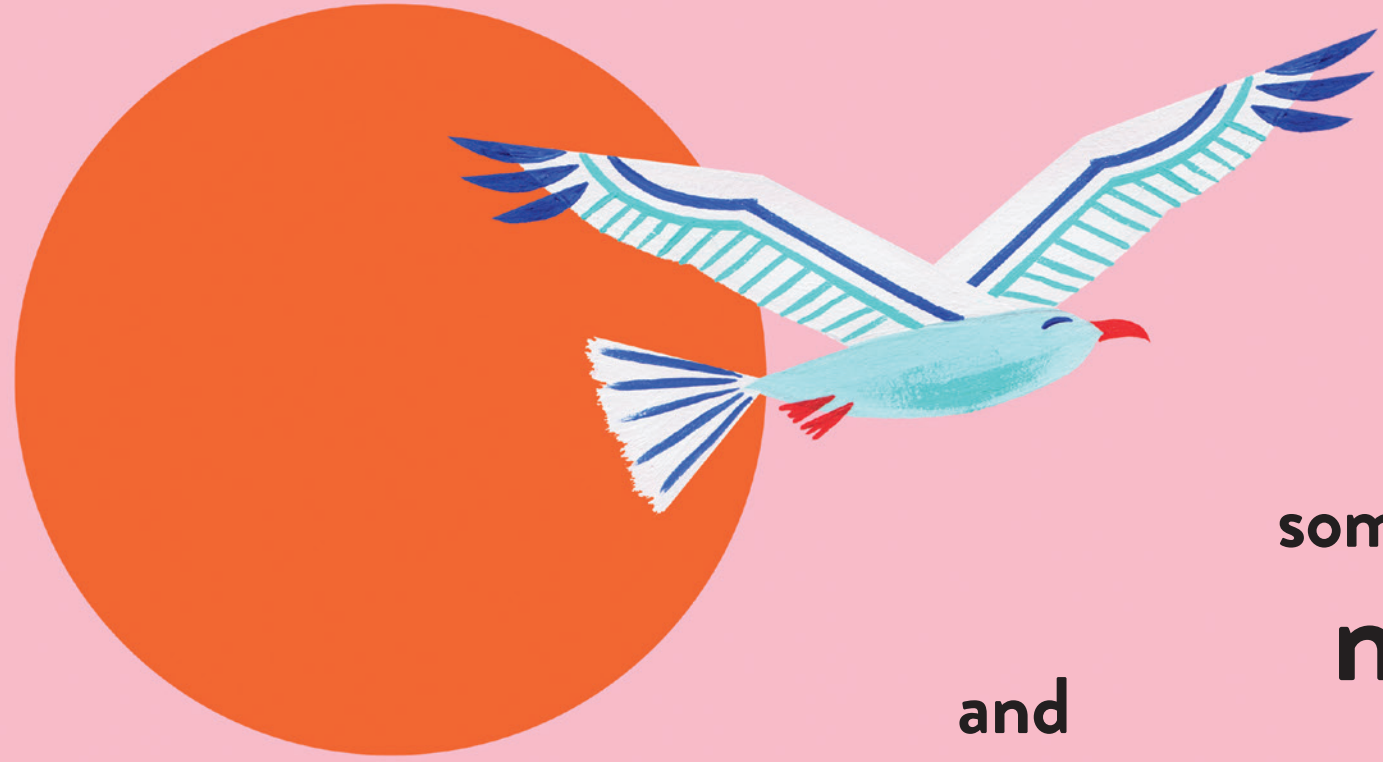
Rockets, robots,  
turbo engines,  
wow, we've got some  
great

**inventions...**

Telescopes  
and clocks and trains –  
all **big ideas**  
from human

**brains!**

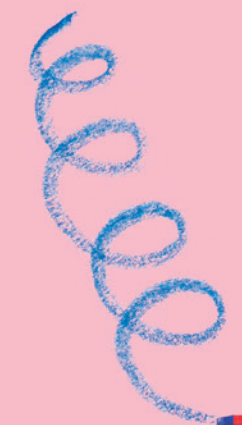




Take  
something  
old



is what  
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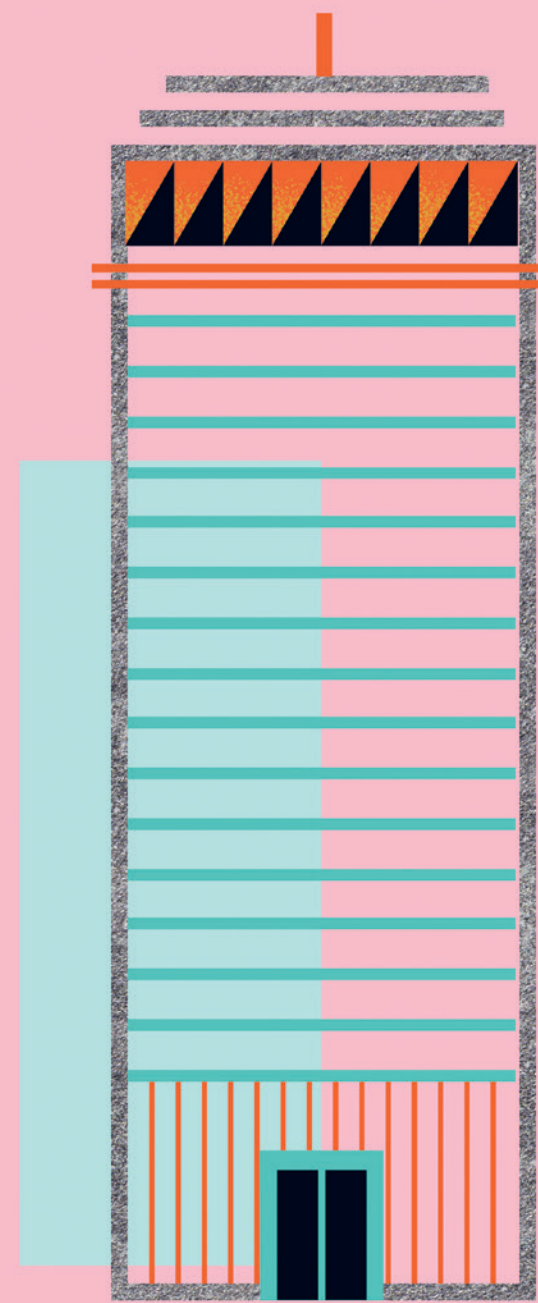


and  
turn  
it  
into

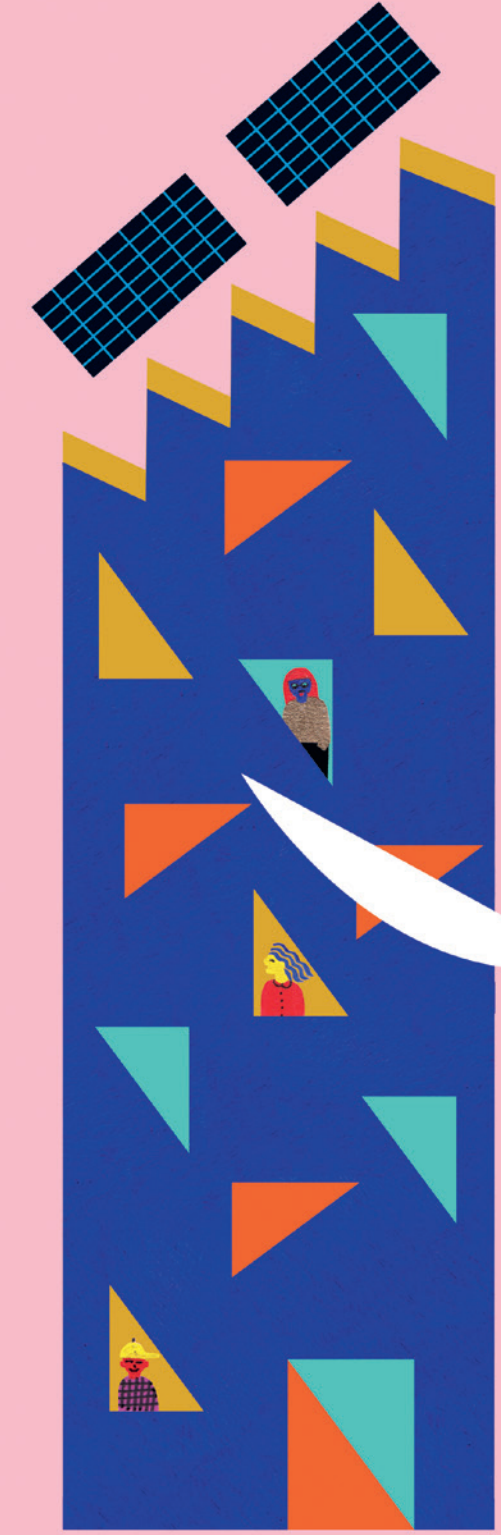
something  
new.



We work it,  
shape  
it,



chop and  
change  
it.



All the while we  
**recreate**  
it...

