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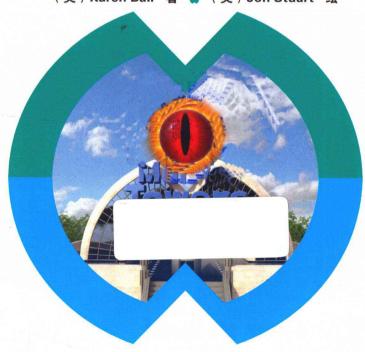


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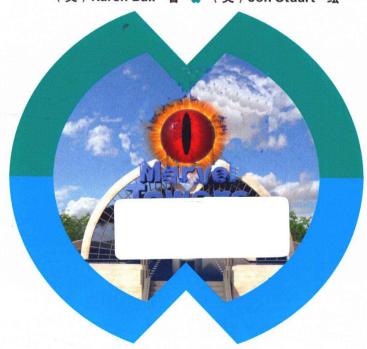


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(billionaire inventor)

### **Welcome to Micro World!**

**Macro Marvel** invented Micro World – a micro-sized theme park where you have to shrink to get in.

A computer called **CODE** controls Micro World and all the robots inside – MITEs and BITEs.



CODE wants to shrink the world.

Macro Marvel is trapped inside the park ... 卖, 需要完整PDF请访问: www.ertongbook.com

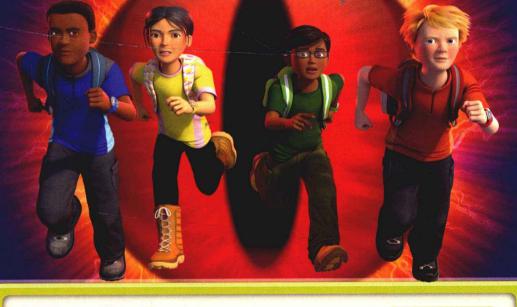
## **Enter Team X!**

Four micro agents – **Max, Cat, Ant** and **Tiger** – are sent to rescue
Macro Marvel and defeat CODE.

Mini Marvel joins Team X.



Mini Marvel (Macro's daughter)



## In the last book ...

- Team X chased the Virus-BITE in Hawkwing.
- They drew the BITE away from Marvel's heart.
- Team X were sucked down another tunnel into Marvel's stomach!



You are in the Marvel Towers zone.



Before you read

#### **Word alert**

Which is the tricky part in these words?

warm water alter was

 Which letters make the /or/ sound or the /o/ sound in these words?
 warned want swallowed

 Look out for other words that include the /or/ sound or the /o/ sound when you are reading.



### What does it mean?

stirred - woke up

#### Into the zone

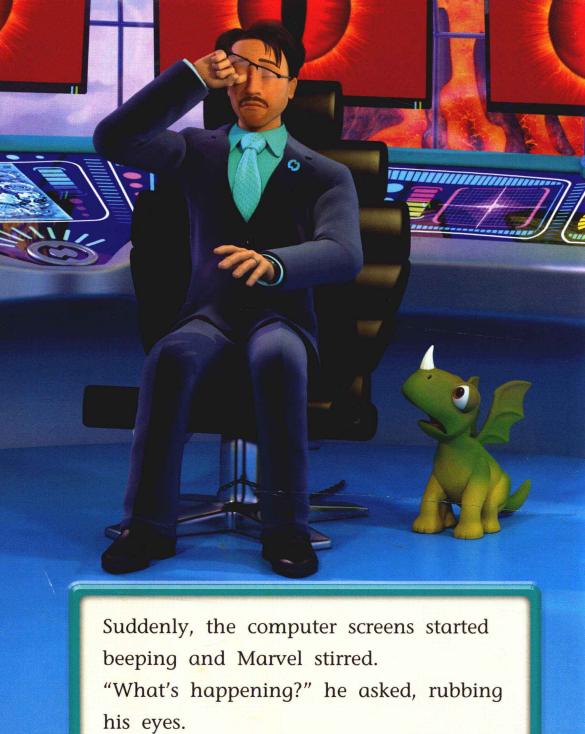
- How did Mini and Rex escape from the MITEs?
- What will make Macro Marvel better?





Mini was in the Control Room. She was worried about her dad. He was alternating between sleeping and waking. The Virus-BITE inside his body had made him very weak.







Quickly, Mini hid. Marvel was so sleepy he didn't realise Rex and Mini had escaped. "Marvel!" barked CODE. "I want an update on Team X now!"

Marvel turned round and stared at CODE's fierce eye.

"I have captured Mini and the dragon, but I don't know where Team X are," he replied. "Do whatever it takes to find them ... or else!" warned CODE.





Mini felt her dad's brow. It was very warm.

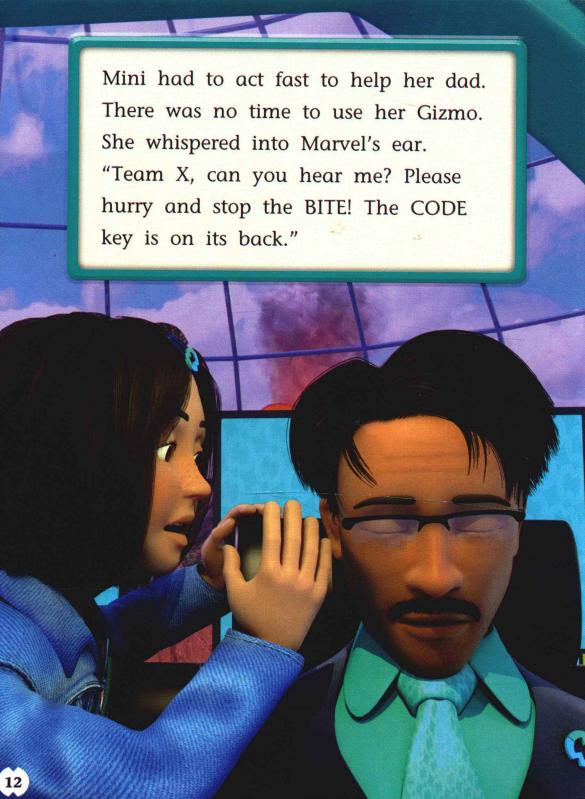
"He needs to drink something," she thought.

"But if he sees me, he'll lock me up again."

Mini had no alternative though. She was worried about him. She pulled her water bottle out from her bag. She placed it to Marvel's lips. Marvel swallowed the water – he was still fast asleep.

"Phew!" thought Mini.





Now you have read ...

The Eye of CODE

### True or false?

Is this statement true or false?

Look for evidence in the story to back up your answer.

CODE knows everything that goes on in Micro World.



## Reading speech

Read pages 6–10. Choose to be Mini, Marvel or CODE and read their speech or thoughts. Can you change your voice to sound like that character?

## Think about the story

What do you think will happen to Team X when Marvel swallows the water?





I hope Team X find the BITE soon.

Before you read

#### **Word alert**

 Look at the words. Here are the sounds to remember when you are reading this story:

towards water

watch alter

 Look out for more words with these sounds when you are reading.

#### What does it mean?

stomach acid – juice in the stomach that helps to break down food

#### Into the zone

- How did Mini try to contact Team X? Do you think they'll hear her?
- Can you remember which part of Macro Marvel Team X are heading for?

