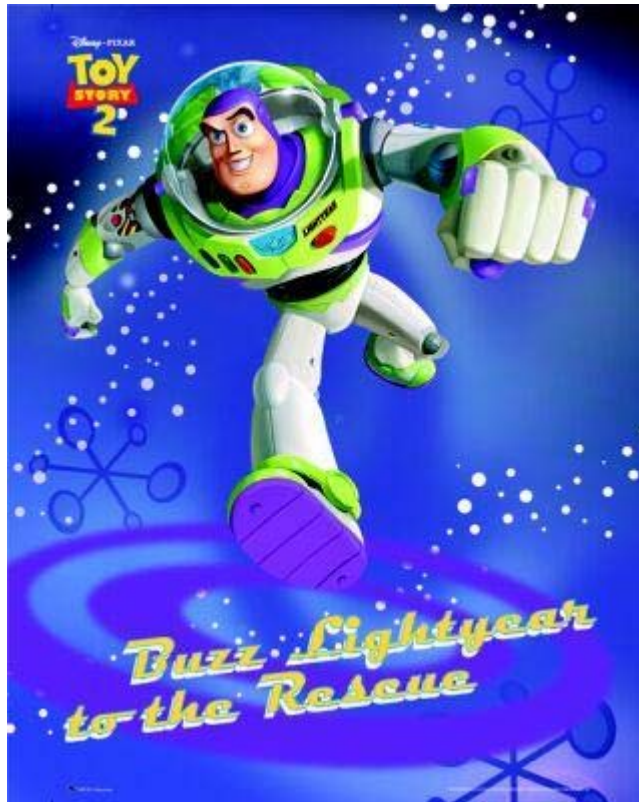


# The Three Little Green Men ... and Buzz Lightyear to the Rescue



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Once upon a time . . . there were three little green men, who left their clack and their planet to see the galaxy. (Clack is the name for a family of little green men. They don't have mothers and fathers).

All summer long, they roamed through space, playing games and having fun. None were happier than the three little green men, and they easily made friends with everyone they met on the planets they visited.

Wherever they went, they were given a warm welcome, but as time went on, the three little green men started to feel they needed a real home. Sadly they knew that the fun was over now and they must set to work like the others or they'd be left out in space, with no ship to call their own.



They talked about what to do, but each decided for himself. The laziest LGM said he'd build a plexiglass spaceship.

"It will only take a day," he said. The others disagreed.

"It's too fragile," they said disapprovingly, but he refused to listen. Not quite so lazy, the second LGM went in search of aluminum beams.



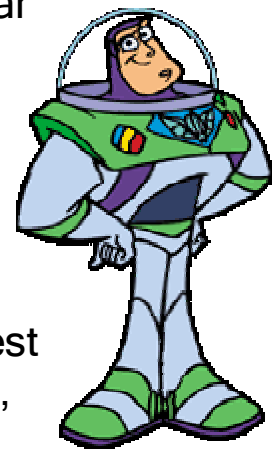
"Clunk! Clunk! Clunk!" It took him two days to rivet his spaceship together.

But the third LGM (the smartest one) did not like the aluminum spaceship.

"That's not the way to build a spaceship!" he said. "It takes time, patience, titanium and hard work to build a spaceship that is strong enough to stand up to solar winds, meteor showers, radiation, and most of all, protect us from Zurg!". (Zurg wanted to capture the little green men so he could extract the way of the uni-mind from them). The smartest LGM began to build his spaceship out of very strong titanium.



Meanwhile, in a galaxy not too far away, Buzz Lightyear was on patrol with his partner Zandaloo, who was also a LGM. They were eating Krispy Kremes in an alien outpost, keeping their eyes open for suspicious activity or any sign of Zurg and his buddies.



The days went by, and the smartest little LGM's spaceship took shape, piece by piece. From time to time, his clacksmen visited him, saying with a

chuckle:

"Why are you working so hard? Why don't you come and play sudoku with us?" But the stubborn LGM just said "no". "I shall finish my spaceship first. It must be solid and sturdy. And then I'll come and play!" he said. "I shall not be foolish like you!"

It was the smartest LGM that found the ion tracks of Zurg's spaceship in the gamma quadrant.

The little green men rushed back to their spaceships in alarm. Along came Zurg, scowling fiercely at the laziest LGM's plexiglass spaceship.

"Come out!" ordered Zurg, in his most menacing voice. I want to speak to you!"

"I'd rather stay where I am!" replied the LGM in a tiny voice.

"I'll make you come out!" growled Zurg angrily, and blasting with his lasers he shot at the spaceship. And all the plexiglass the silly LGM had glued against some thin beams, fell down in the great blast. Excited by his own cleverness, Zurg did not notice that the LGM had slithered out from underneath the heap of plexiglass, and was dashing towards his clacksman's aluminum spaceship in an escape pod. When he realized that the LGM was escaping, Zurg grew wild with rage.



"Come back!" he roared, trying to catch the LGM as he ran into the aluminum spaceship. The other LGM greeted his clacksman, shaking like a leaf.

"I hope this spaceship won't fall apart! Let's strengthen the force shield so he can't break in!"

Outside, Zurg could hear the little green men's words. He rained blows on the ship with his laser blasters.

"Open up! Open up! I only want to speak to you!"

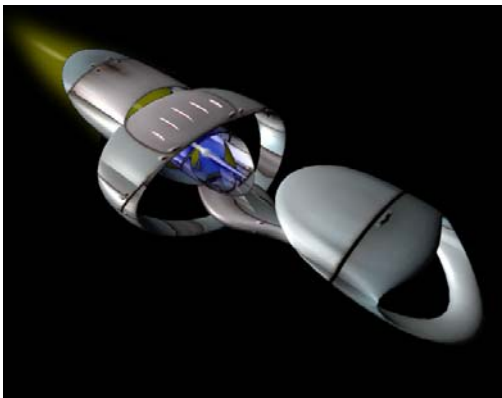
Inside, the two clacksmen wept in fear and did their best to hold the spaceship fast against the blasts. Then the furious Zurg got an idea: he lined up all of his lasers and ... ZAP! The aluminum spaceship collapsed like a pack of cards.

At this moment, Zandaloo detected (through the uni-mind) that the Little Green Men were in trouble. "Buzz, we have to go now. Zurg is after my people". Buzz and Zandaloo put their ship into warp drive, and blasted off for the Gamma Quadrant.



Luckily, the smartest LGM had been watching Zurg from the window of his own titanium spaceship, and he rapidly opened the airlock to his fleeing clacksmen.

And not a moment too soon, for Zurg was already in pursuit. This time, Zurg had grave doubts. This spaceship was much more solidly built than the others. He blasted once, he blasted again and then for a third time. But all was in vain. For the spaceship did not budge an inch. The three little green men watched him and their



fear began to fade. Quite exhausted by his efforts, Zurg decided to try one of his tricks. He scrambled into a nearby transporter and snuck into the spaceship.

"Quick! Fire your laser guns!" screamed the LGMs. But the lasers just bounced off Zurg and onto the wall. Zurg captured the LGMs and tied them to the main beam of the spaceship.

"I want to talk to you. I must have the secret of the uni-mind." And he started to walk around the LGM, staring intently at their frightened faces.

Just then, Buzz Lightyear and Zandaloo appeared in the airlock. "Not today Zurg" and he zapped Zurg with a proton torpedo, and sent him tumbling into space.

The three happy little green men, danced round and round the beam and began to sing: "Tra-la-la! Tra-la-la! The wicked black Zurg will never come back...!"

From that terrible day on, the LGM set to work. In no time, they built two new titanium spaceships. Zurg did return once to roam in the gamma quadrant, but when he caught sight of the three spaceships, he remembered his defeat to Buzz Lightyear, and he left for good.

