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For robotic inventions for the micro:bit\*



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https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:6792047



### 1. Program the micro:bit

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Download the following code to your micro:bit or challenge your students to figure out the code.

https://makecode.microbit.org/S61663-1 7038-72062-09404



on start When you press button A it sends the This "listens" to a string string "Drop" over radio group 1 and moves transmitted over radio on the channel the servo so you can test the mechanism show leds without a remote. on radio received receivedString n button A 🔻 presse receivedString Drop then radio send string Drop set servo A - position to 0 set servo A - position to If the string it hears over radio is pause (ms) 1000 -"Drop" it performs the actions in the if statement. index - from 0 to radio set group 1 🗖 set servo 🗛 👻 position to 🚺 100 🛡 on button 🛚 🔻 pressed Move counter clockwise towards position zero to release. set servo A - position to 100 pause (ms) 50 💌 set servo A - position to 0 pause (ms) 50 💌 When you press button A the servo moves back to the starting position. This for loop is for shaking the zipline off to make sure it 💷 set servo 🗛 🔻 position to 100 releases. You can try without it If you're Zipline mechanism is facing the way we have built it in the instruction the starting position can be set to 100, then it moves counter clockwise towards zero to release the Zipline. You can mirror the object and use 0 as starting Return to starting position so the position and flip all the values accordingly, or just flip the Zipline can be released again. servo.





#### 2. Assemble launcher mechanism



Assemble the structure and attach the robotic inventions clip and servo. Thread the string through the yellow Strawbees. Make sure the servo arm is facing down in the starting position. Try pressing the a button so you can see that the arm moves counter clockwise so the zipline will be released towards the right.



## 3. String ends







- 1. Fold the string ends and push through a single Strawbee.
- 2. Pull the loop over the Strawbee leg and then back across the Strawbee body and pull tight.
- 3. Secure with an extra knot if you want too.

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Do this for both ends of the String once you know how long the distance will be. If you don't have access to a 3D printer put a yellow straw on the right side of the string where the zipline is going to move.



4.A 3D printed zipline pulley wheel









1. 3D print parts https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:6792047

- 2. Assemble the pulley wheel
- 3. Attach the body to pulley wheel.







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#### 4.B Simple zipline slider







If you don't have a 3D printer you can make an OK zipline by putting a yellow straw on the string and making a structure to hang your scary objects from and connect it with a double sided clip.







#### 5 Put the zipline up















If you can reach the highest point you can directly connect the launcher mechanism end like this.

Otherwise use the sliding lock 5B







## Remote zipline Part 5B Sliding lock







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 Loop over leg like this.

 Use the structure

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 Use the structure and tighten the string. Left increases the big loop size around the structure and tightens the string and right

Loop string around structure. Fold the string that goes towards the launcher mechanism and push over the leg. This is why it is good to have some extra length on the string. If it is too short it is gite hard to fold it over the leg.





#### 5C Sliding lock start point







6 Attach spooky thing to zipline pulley





7 Test







Push button A on micro:bit to use local launch or use a separate micro:bit with the same code to do remote launch.



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#### 8 Scare someone





Remember to set it up somewhere where the "spooky object" can be hidden and then wait for the unsuspecting friend to arrive and use the remote to have some fun scaring them a bit.

If you are up for it replace the remote with a computer and teachable machine so you don't have to be there yourself and make it even more spooky.





# Have fun & happy scaring!

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Strawbees.



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\*For the Hummingbird









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#### 2. Assemble launcher mechanism



Assemble the structure and attach the Hummingbird clip and servo. Thread the string through the yellow Strawbees. Make sure the servo arm is facing down in the starting position. Try pressing the A button so you can see that the arm moves counter clockwise so the zipline will be released towards the right. Now you can go to step 3 (slide 5) and continue.



