

Room Cleaning Robot

Room Cleaning Robot A funny poem about cleaning your room to find you homework for school.

Cleaning my bedroom is never much fun,
but my homework is lost, so it's gotta be done.
So, I'm building a robot to help clean my room
using junk on my floor like this moldy old spoon.

I'll build it with tee-shirts and three smelly socks,
our wrappers, a bag, and a cereal box,
a collection of worms that were dried in the sun,
my brother's rare comic, a cinnamon bun,
a library book that is way over due,
a sneaker, a sandal, and Dad's missing shoe.

I'll keep on construction with old underwear,
used tissues, dried spit balls, and fallen out hair,
a half eaten sandwich, that's half a year old,
a broken umbrella, I can't get to fold.

I'll top off my robot with crushed soda cans,
a jar full of flies, and a shoe filled with sand.

As I finish my robot, I'm sad to confess,
that my room is now clean, but my robots a mess.

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Room Cleaning Robot is a funny poem I wrote several years ago. It has appeared in the funny poetry book *Moxie Day the Prankster* and it is scheduled to appear in an upcoming book of my funny poems.

I always had a messy room as a kid. I still have a messy room. I always had a messy desk as a kid. My desk in my office is always a mess now. I used to try to keep my desk neat and clean, but I never seemed to get as much done, or work as well. I've learned that I need a mess to be at my best creatively. I've been a lot happier and productive since I've been able to admit that.

So a messy room seemed like an obvious topic for a funny poem. The middle of this poem has stayed the same for years, but I keep changing the beginning and ending of this funny poem. Even after a poem has been published in a children's book, I keep revising it. I am always learning about poetry - and I plan to keep doing that. Every day that I learn something new about writing funny poems is a day I can go back and make an old poem better. If you read this poem in

the funny poetry book Moxie Day the Prankster you'll see a slightly different version than is here. And when this poem is published in another book of funny poems it will probably be slightly different yet again.