

WeeklyAssignment2

-- **MitchelResnick** - 14 Sep 2004

* In the Foreword to *Mindstorms*, Papert talks about his childhood fascination with gears. Describe an object from your childhood, and explain why it was important to you (then and later).

* What idea (or passage) in *Mindstorms* was most provocative, intriguing, or surprising for you?

* *Mindstorms* was written nearly 25 years ago. Which ideas in the book stand the test of time? Which ones don't?

Download and experiment with **TurtleBlocks** software. For ideas, look at these **sample programs**.

Note: To run TurtleBlocks software, your computer needs Java version 1.4.x. To install or upgrade Java, go to the **Sun Java website** and click "Download J2SE JRE" (for PCs) or the **Apple website** (for Macs).