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The Race

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CHAPTER 1

Emma Jacks was at school. It was lunchtime. She was talking with her best friends, Elle and Hannah.

A noise came from
Emma's spy watch.

Ping!

Emma knew it was a
message from the **SHINE**
Spy Agency.

Emma had a secret.
She was training to be a
spy. Her spy name was
Agent EJ10.



TOP SECRET



TRAINEE ID IMAGE

**AGENT IN TRAINING
PROFILE**

NAME: Emma Mary Jacks

AGENT NAME: EJ10

STATUS: In Training

BIRTHDAY: 9 September

FAVOURITE COLOUR: Light Blue

FAVOURITE FOODS: Apples, Chocolate

SPORTS: Gym, Swimming, Netball

DISLIKES: Spiders, Grapefruit

Emma
opened her
watch top.
Then she
read the
screen.



*They want
me to go to the toilets?!?*
thought Emma.

The school bell went.

It was time to go back to class. Elle and Hannah walked one way. Emma walked the other way.

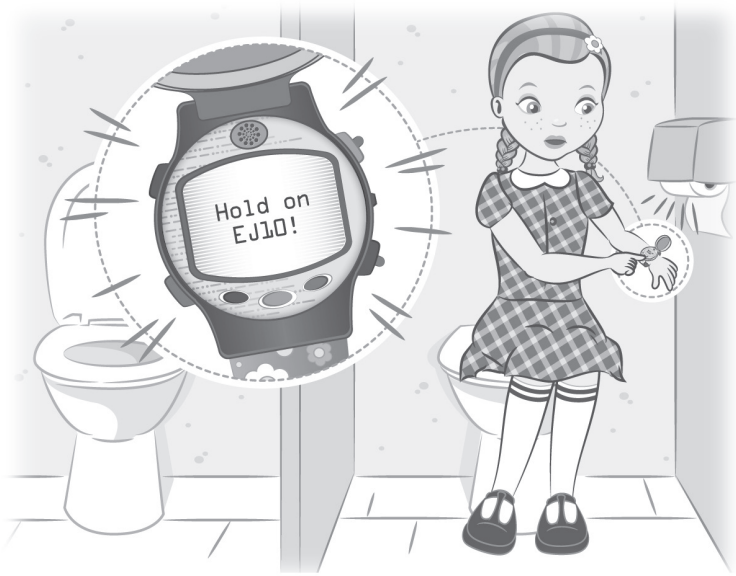
Emma went into the toilets. She opened the door of the last stall and sat down. Then she pressed the last button on the side of her watch.

The watch face
flashed again. Emma
read the message.

Hold watch under
toilet roll

Emma did what the
message said. Then the
watch screen flashed one
more time.

Emma held on to the



seat. The toilet and the
back wall spun around.
A secret tunnel was
hidden behind them.

The toilet tilted up
and EJ10 slipped onto a
beanbag. The beanbag
began to move down a
big slide.



whoosh!

EJ sped through the tube. It was much more fun than a bus-ride to school! Then the beanbag came to a stop outside a door.

EJ10 had arrived at
SHINE.