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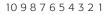
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Secret



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Eight-year-old Emma Jacks had a secret. She was Agent EJ10, learning to be a spy at the **SHINE** Spy School.



Being a spy was fun but it was top-secret work. Emma couldn't tell anyone. She wished she could tell her best friends. Hannah and Elle. They'd think it was cool. But Emma knew that being a spy must be kept secret. One day EJ10 was at









EJ's watch beeped again. She read the new message on the screen. Agent check OK EJ heard the shiny door click. Then it swung open. Two ladies in white coats stood inside the room. One of them was Al, head of SHINE.



'Welcome to the SHINE lab, EJ10,' said A1. 'This is Professor IQ400. She is in charge of our lab. This is where we make spy tools to help our agents on missions.'

`What kind of spy

tools?' asked EJ.

`Come see,' said IQ400.





Professor IQ400 picked up a remote control. She pushed the ON button and wiggled a bar. EJ heard a strange noise from the other side of the lab.

Whrrrrrr! Whrrrrrr!

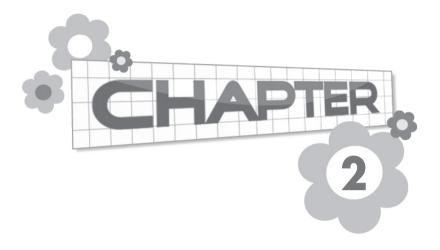
EJ looked up and saw a tiny plane. It was flying over to the bench in front of them. The plane hovered above their heads. Then it dropped a pink lunchbox onto the bench. FJ read the label. *`It has my name* on it!' Emma cried.





EJ couldn't wait to open it.





EJ stood at the bench in the lab. She was looking closely at the lunchbox. She knew it was not a normal lunchbox.



