

## Atom Man (原始人間)(13)

- 1) The beam invented by Doctor Ōta, the Atom Huma Ray, can transform a person into atoms and back. It is now in the hands of Blackbird. “We will, first of all, steal all the world’s treasures!” (declares Blackbird).
- 2) Every evening he travels the world using the beam of light emanating from his ocean hideout. “ZIP! “POP, POP!” He heads for New York...
- 3) ... the entire contents of a large bank, its money well hidden in its depths, has completely vanished. “Oh, trouble! This is no doubt the deed of the Atom Man!” (declares the banker). Also, in Deli, India...
- 4) ... the diamonds, rubies, sapphires and other jewels of Chandrakaan, the wealthiest man in India, have also been taken. “The Atom Man has come and taken them away... I wonder if the World Police are doing something about it... where is the Atom Man I wonder?” (ponders Chandrakaan).
- 5) This kind of incident is reported daily in the world’s newspapers. “Hey, Robot Tarō, I have a pretty good understanding of who this Atom Man is. It is our job to catch him!” (declares Gamma to his trusty robot sidekick). And then...
- 6) Gamma receives a call from the Japanese branch of the World Police. “Mr. Gamma, please use your power to nab the Atom Man,” (begs the policeman). “Well, I am not sure if it will work out or not, but I will give it a try,” (says Gamma reassuringly).
- 7) “Tarō, listen to my instructions, I want you to take the plane and have a look. If I am correct, you should come across the lair of the Atom Man,” (instructs Gamma). “BEEP, BOOP, I will be on my way,” (says Robot Tarō).

- 8) Robot Tarō flies the plane, departing his home of Japan. “BRRRRRN.” He should be arriving at the place in the sky where Gamma last saw the Atom Man. But, upon arriving...
- 9) “BEEP, BOOP, BEEP. Oh, there’s a strange plane flying along. It’s a jet-black plane. It might be the plane of Blackbird and his minions! I’ll pursue it!” (says Robot Tarō to himself).
- 10) “WHOOSH! SCREECH! BZZZ!” Robot Tarō follows the black plane in hot pursuit, as it flies towards Blackbird’s ocean lair. However, at the lair...
- 11) “Oh, that’s Gamma’s plane! He has finally arrived. Let’s shoot him down with the atomic ray!” (says Blackbird menacingly). They shoot a beam at Robot Tarō’s plane.
- 12) “FLASH! Zzzzzz” Hit by the beam, Robot Tarō’s plane spirals down...

What do you think will happen next?