

Atom Man (原子人間)(15)

- 1) The hooded henchmen fire the machinegun, RATA-TAT-TAT. But Robot Tarō is unharmed. “No sweat! BEEP, BOOP, BEEP, let’s go!” (says Robot Tarō mockingly).
- 2) “Yar! BOOP, BEEP, BEEP!” (goes Robot Tarō) “UGH, OOF, ZIP!” (go the hooded henchmen). With a crash, the two hooded henchmen are knocked flat in an instant.
- 3) “I wonder where Blackbird’s contraption is?” (thinks Robot Tarō to himself). “BEEP, BOOP, wait a sec, let me have a look inside that building.”
- 4) “I see... this is the room where the machine is housed. There’s lots of stuff in here. Even with that being solved, where can Blackbird be? Come on out! BEEP BOOP!” (says Robot Tarō).
- 5) In the adjoining room meanwhile... “You’ve arrived, robot, haven’t ya? He’s made of iron, when I throw this switch, it will turn on a strong magnet, and he’ll be stuck to it!” (schemes Blackbird).
- 6) WIRRRR! “Oh, my body is being pulled by something!” (exclaims a surprised Robot Tarō).
- 7) CLACK! “Oh, my back is stuck to it, and I can’t get loose! Oh, this is a fine mess! GRUNT! BEEP BOOP!” I can’t do a thing about it!” (says the struggling Robot Tarō).
- 8) Blackbird descends from his high tower. “Hey, little robot, you’ll be stuck to this thing until you rust and break! HA, HA, HA, HA!” (cackles Blackbird menacingly).

9) “Well, it looks like Gamma’s little robot sidekick is done for! One last obstacle remains, and that is Dr. Dwarf and his flying sphere! I will transform myself into an Atom Man, enter his Japanese mountain lab and do away with Dr. Dwarf! (says the cunning Blackbird).

10) It had already grown late by the time Blackbird, traveling by a single beam of light, arrived at Dr. Dwarf’s house in the Japanese mountains. Inside the home...

11) ... Dr. Dwarf was still up, busy researching. “Hhm, according to this book, it’s this way...Hum.” At that moment, inside the house, Midori is peacefully slumbering away.

12) “He, he, he, so this is the house of old man Dwarf and the girl... he, he, he. Well, who shall I deal with first?” (Blackbird thinks to himself). The Atom Man appears silently in Midori’s room.

Well then...