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Mysterious robbery on the Assembly Square

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HispaBrick Magazine: Name?

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HBM: Age?

ES: 27

HBM: Country?

ES: Czech Republic

HBM: What do you do for a living?

ES: I work in a private equity firm as an analyst with focus on real estate investments. Practically, most of the time I deal with numbers. However, when I was a student I worked as a guide on large ships in the Caribbean and as an au pair in France, as travelling is my big hobby.

HBM: When did you first start building with LEGO®?

ES: Not a long time ago. I discovered my passion for LEGO thanks to the Collectible Minifigure Series. I bought my first LEGO in March 2016 and then I quickly became addicted to this perfect world made out of LEGO bricks.

HBM: When did you start to write your blog and why?

ES: I started 6 months ago. LEGO is my big joy and writing a blog about it is something that makes me happy and fulfilled. Since I have started to write the blog I have had the chance to meet some major LEGO enthusiasts who know a lot about LEGO, and listening to their stories is what enriches me and interests me. I discovered quite quickly that there is a real life behind bricks and I want to share as much as possible of this positive content on my blog. I am trying to do my blog a bit differently, which means I am not focusing on the latest news, latest releases etc.

I want to show people that there is a large and diverse community in the LEGO world, so I am writing articles about the creators of LEGO products, old LEGO set themes, artists who are responsible for the most beautiful LEGO builds, and much more. I am also writing reviews in a form of fairy tale. You can check all of it on my blog (www.mylegotalk.blogspot.com) and if you like, leave a comment or contact me by email to tell me what you think about it or what content would you like to see. Comments from the readers are the most valuable feedback for me.

In addition to the blog we opened an Etsy store with LEGO jewelry - Bricz.Art!!

Once upon a time there used to be one beautiful Modular City, and as the square is the heart of every town, it should come as no surprise that it was the Assembly Square where everything happened this time. And what did actually happen? Make yourself comfortable and listen to the story of the Mysterious Robbery in the famous bakery located right in the Assembly Square of the Modular City...



The Assembly Square was well known among locals for being the home of three famous retail units - a bakery, a florist's shop and a cafe. All of them were open daily and there were many locals around all the time. The bakery was famous far and wide for their freshly baked bread and amazing cakes.



People from the outskirts of the Modular city also came here to shop or just to window shop, gawping at the marvels made out of sugar and chocolate. Hence it is no wonder that people were often queuing together in front of the bakery.



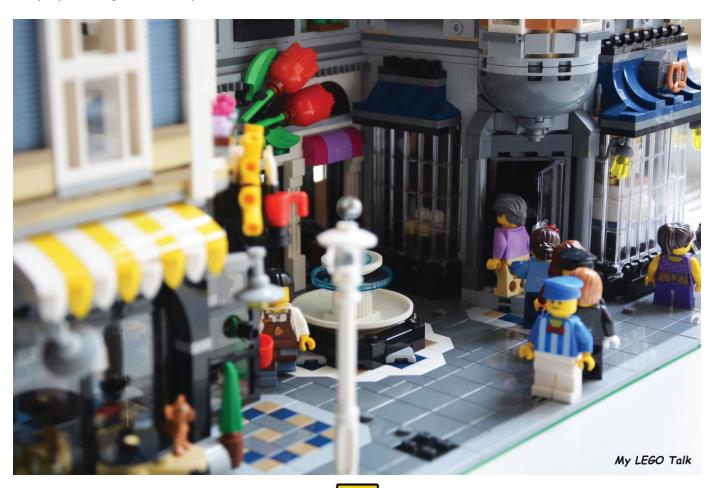
The owner of the florist's shop, a charming elderly woman, was always very kind and her bouquets were stunning and beautifully arranged. It was said that the flowers from her shop were not only fresh and fragrant but also magic. Once you smell them, you completely forget all of your worries.



And what about the Café in the Assembly Square? I was there once and it was the best cup of coffee I've ever had. With a cosy interior, this café is the perfect place to curl up and escape for a while from the busy square.



Let's get back to the robbery, as that's what I'm going to tell you about today. As I said, the Assembly Square was always busy with people walking around the square all the time.

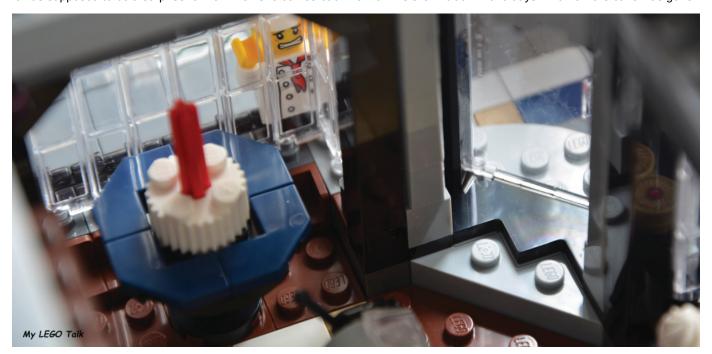


It was therefore especially weird that the robbery just-so-happened to occur in broad daylight during lunchtime while not one of the locals noticed a thing.

Someone was so rude as to take advantage of Mr Baker's regular break for lunch in the Parisian restaurant, and broke into the bakery and stole a giant anniversary cake. It is important to emphasize that it was not just any cake. It was a masterpiece that was daily admired and still on view for locals in the bakery window.



The cake was a gift for a girl who lived just two floors above the bakery and was a huge fan of LEGO. Her husband, a music teacher, ordered the cake to celebrate the 10th anniversary of his wife's favourite LEGO theme – the Modular Buildings. It was supposed to be a surprise for her when she comes back from a LEGO exhibition in two days! And now the cake was gone.



Only the locals and residents of the Assembly Square knew about the cake and so they immediately became the main suspects. As no one confessed to the robbery, Mr Baker could no longer watch the unhappy music teacher and asked for help from a famous detective who runs his own detective's office on the other side of the street. The detective was famous for his logical reasoning and the ability to solve even the most perplexing crimes and mysteries that occurred in the Modular City. The detective asked every resident of the Assembly Square to gather on the square, and then carefully examined the alibi of each person.



There was no way that the café or florist owner robbed the bakery at midday, as they were both busy with their customers. Neither could the dentist have done it, because he had a patient in his dental office right at midday.

So rather than pinning down their alibi, the detective focused his attention on a young lady dressed as a ballerina who looked very nervous compared to the others. However, he very soon found out that it was not the robbery making the young lady nervous, but rather her first ballet performance to be held that night in the Palace Cinema.



The music teacher who has his studio in the same building even confirmed that she was training hard for her big night without break from early morning till afternoon.

Therefore, the ballerina could not have stolen the cake, even though it would have been a really catchy headline: 'Ballerina stole giant cake as she could no longer resist smell of sugar', don't you think?" quipped a freelance photographer, the last one whose alibi was to be challenged by the detective.

"What did you do around midday?" asked the detective. It was evident that the photographer enjoyed the question as he proudly explained to others that he was photoshooting the whole day with the stars of the LEGO Batman Movie for the famous HispaBrick Magazine.



None of them could have broken into the bakery and stolen the cake. "Is this really everyone who lives in the Assembly Square?" the detective asked a bit suspiciously.



"Wait, Mr Detective, there is someone we forgot... someone who lives behind the bakery; an old abandoned dog. I call him Watcher because he sits all day long in a chair in front of my café watching what's happening in the square. I also noticed that he spends quite some time with the White Trio – that's what the three neighbouring villain dogs call themselves," the café owner whispered so that no one else could hear.

"A dog? Why not?" paused the detective. "Could someone please show me where Mr Watcher lives? I think that we've got the thief."

They caught the dogs right in the act while dividing the stolen cake into four equal parts.

The music teacher could no longer hold his emotions back and shouted, "Get away from the cake! It's not yours; it's my wife's cake!"

The dogs escaped as fast as they could into their nearby hideaway and waited to see what was going to happen.



The cake was completely destroyed and drooping. There was no question of giving it in this form as a gift. Mr Baker was very sorry for the music teacher and promised to work hard all night to bake a new and even nicer cake for his wife. So he did as he said.

"Villain dogs," grated the florist owner, "we have to be more cautious next time". They left the cake on the ground for the dogs and everyone went their way.



That day Mr Baker did not open the bakery. Not that he wanted to rest, but rather exactly the opposite. All day and night he worked on the new cake. In the morning of the next day, when the first sunrays appeared, the cake was done. Mr Baker proudly opened his bakery and waited for his first customers. Everyone who came in could not believe their eyes. It was a new cake, and it was just as beautiful as the first one.

The music teacher appeared soon in the front door of the bakery, and when he saw the cake he thanked Mr Baker many times and took the cake to his apartment full of LEGO. "Here you're safe, my friend," he whispered and he couldn't wait for his wife to return back home.

Once he saw her approaching the square he ran to greet her. He gave her the cake and told her what happened with the first cake while she was at the LEGO exhibition. She was so amazed and impressed that she could barely even talk. "It's the most beautiful cake that I've ever been given, my love. Thank you!"

So in the end everything turned out well and things returned to normal. Mr Baker kept baking his delicious bread and cakes, the florist kept selling magic flowers and the café owner kept serving her fantastic coffee.



And what about Mr Watcher? He kept sitting comfortably in his favourite chair in front of the café and was watching life out there in the Assembly Square. Locals thought that he felt guilty, but he had already secretly thought of another plan. What will it be next time? :-)

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