

The background is a vibrant night sky filled with stars and several constellations drawn with white lines. The colors of the sky transition from a deep blue at the bottom to a purple and pinkish hue at the top. In the foreground, a young child with curly hair, wearing a blue shirt, is holding a red notebook and a pencil, looking up at the stars. In the distance, a small silhouette of a person stands on a hill under a starry sky, with a house visible on the right.

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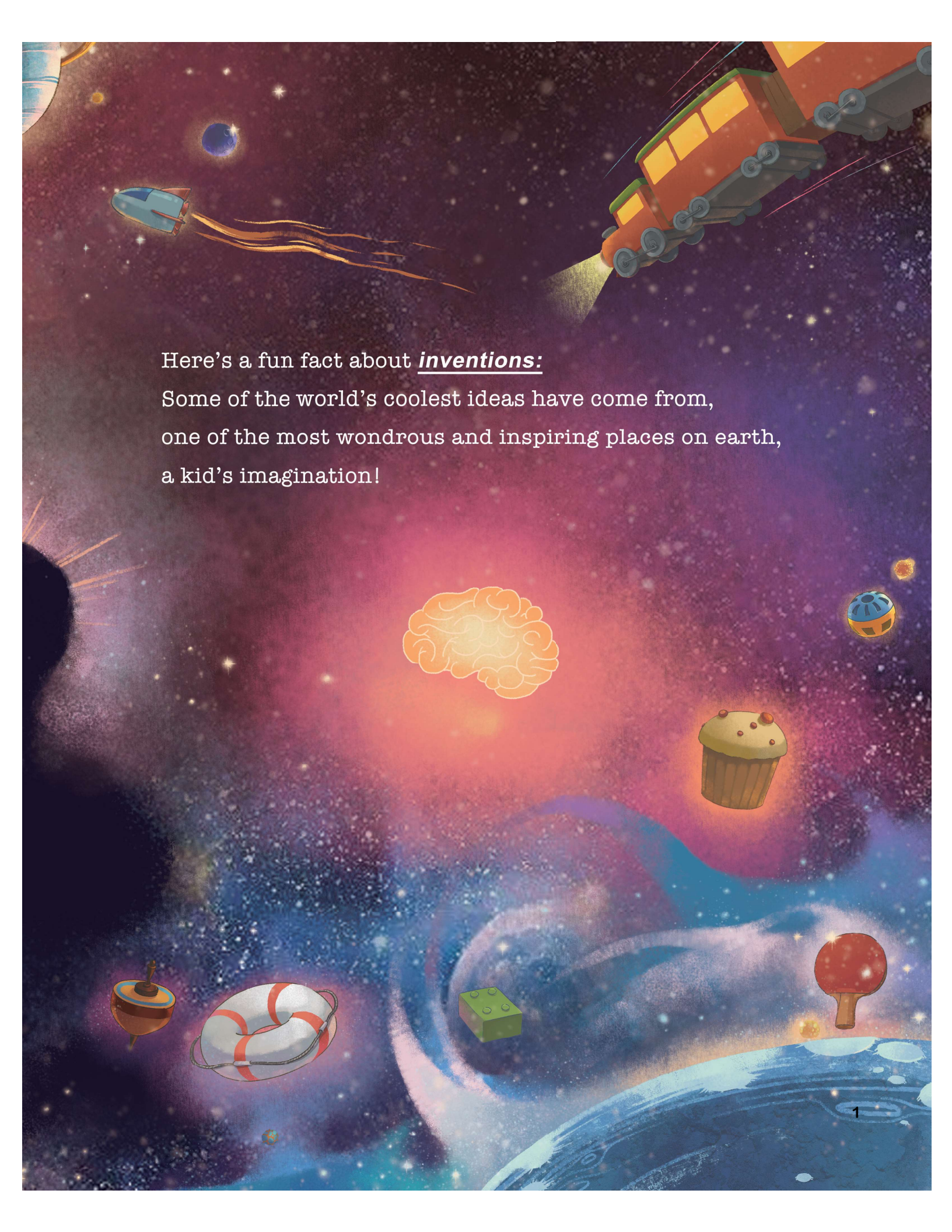
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Here's a fun fact about **inventions:**

Some of the world's coolest ideas have come from,  
one of the most wondrous and inspiring places on earth,  
a kid's imagination!



It's important to remember that children are **scholars**,  
with beautiful minds, **eager** to learn new things.

If given the opportunity to share their **genius** with the world,  
there's no limit to the joy kids can bring!



George Nissen is a perfect example.  
He was an athlete and on the gymnastics team.  
Which explains why during a fun a day at the circus,  
his eyes sparkled at the tumblers and their trapeze.  
The **trapeze artists** would perform magical tricks in  
the air then fall safely to their nets below.



George imagined it would be much more exciting if they bounced up again and continued with the show!







So with the help of his friends and a teacher,  
he made the most brilliant thing!  
By using iron scraps and tire tubing,  
George invented the very first trampoline!





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