



See the little spoon brooch? Max got it from her grandpa. But why???

This is us doing one of our hobby projects. We love taking things apart to see what's inside. Usually Ro does the taking apart, and I put the parts in order, take pictures and make a neat description in my Notebook.

See the mouse? Ro still has it on his desk. Dad refuses to clean his room because of it.

I kinda like to watch it perish in spite of the vinegar.

Ko's favorite toy is called Smelly Rabbit. Guess why!

My other favorite project is on the table too: my collection of plants around the house. I have tried and described thirty-four already! Still not sure if I'll add plants we buy to eat too, like broccoli or basil.

One night we couldn't sleep, and I got an idea. I have this poster with fifty tools on it. I use it to keep track of all the tools Ro and I have tried out.

But what if we'd do research as well! Find out all about the history of tools and how they are used. And how to make them yourselves! That would make a great book.

Will you join us?



Ro! What if we went on a mission to research all 50 tools?!

History, facts, everything!

And I'll make a pretty log!

And we try everything out?



Me getting my first measuring tape for my 3rd birthday

Ko putting his dead mouse in vinegar to preserve it

Hi!

This is it; The Big Fat Book, chapter 1. I am Max, 11 years old and I run the book-project. That makes sense because I make books and logs all the time. My little brother Ro is 9 years old and a great help. And a great help in making a mess! It's been like this since we were born. My mum says she'll go grey on the dangerous endeavors Ro gets himself involved in. And she'll also go grey because she feels I am too focused on logging things. 'That's not what girls your age do!' she says. I just like keeping things tidy and orderly, how can that be a problem? Well, never mind. She's at work most of the time anyway.

Back to the book: we plan on exploring all there is to know about tools. We love tools!

And that's how it started.

We plan to make the full fifty chapters on all the tools on our poster, one by one. Each with some history, nice facts and lots of DIY ideas for home and schools.

We'll do it all together with the international maker-community. (You!) We'll make all chapters available for free through our website. (CC: BY-NC-ND 4.0)

Do you like our project and want to keep track of it? Or do you want to join in? Please follow our progress and get in touch: [www.lekkersamenklooien.nl](http://www.lekkersamenklooien.nl). You'll also find a free download of the 50 tools poster there. Or find me on Twitter: @astridpoot.

<3 love, Astrid

The Big Fat Book is a project by Astrid Poot.

# the Big Fat Book by Max & Ro



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