

MECCANO

Real Engineering in Miniature

There is no limit to the number of models that can be built with Meccano-Cranes, Clocks, Motor Cars, Ship Coalers, Machine Tools, Locomotives-in fact everything that interests boys. A screwdriver and a spanner, both of which are provided in each Outfit, are the only tools necessary,

When you have built all the models illustrated in the Manuals of Instruction the fun is not over, but is just beginning. Now comes the chance to make use of your own ideas. First of all, re-build some of the models with small changes in construction that may occur to you; then try building models entirely of your own design. In doing this you will feel the real thrill of the engineer and the inventor.

HOW TO BUILD UP YOUR OUTFIT

Meccano is sold in eleven different Outfits, ranging from No. 0 to No. 10. Each Outfit from No. 1 upwards can be converted into the next one larger by the purchase of an Accessory Outfit. Thus, Meccano No.1 Outfit can be converted into No. 2 Outfit by adding to it a No. 1a Accessory Outfit. No. 2a Outfit would then convert it into a No. 3 and so on. In this way, no matter with which Outfit you commence, you can build it up by degrees until you possess a No. 10 Outfit.

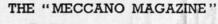
All Meccano parts are of the same high quality and finish, but the larger Outfits contain a greater quantity and variety, making possible the construction of more elaborate models.

As shown in the illustrations, the realism of many models can be increased by the inclusion of the figures, motor vehicles and other items from the Dinky Toys Series; pilots and drivers from the Aeroplane and Motor Car Constructor Outfits: trees and hedges from the Hornby Railway Series: Meccano sacks, cable drums, etc. These items are not included in any of the Outfits. A Clockwork Motor is included in Outfits 7a, 8, 9 and 10 only, and an Electric Motor in Outfits 9a and 10 only.

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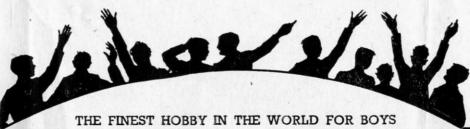
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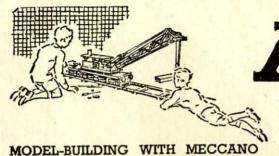
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IMPORTANT

Wartime conditions and restrictions have made necessary certain alterations in the introductory page of this Manual. The most important are the following:—

The Meccano Lighting Set has been withdrawn, but the models shown with lighting arrangements can readily be built with only slight changes.

The Aeroplane and Motor Car Constructor Outfits also are withdrawn, and the miniature pilots and drivers shown in certain models are no longer available.

The Meccano Plates (Flanged, Flat, Curved, etc.,) are shown in the Manuals with diagonal lines. On the new Meccano Plates these lines are omitted.

The only Meccano Motor at present available is the "MAGIC" Clockwork Motor. It is not included in Outfits.

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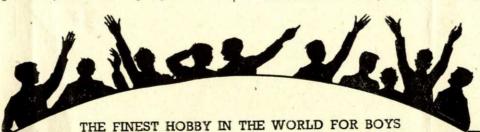
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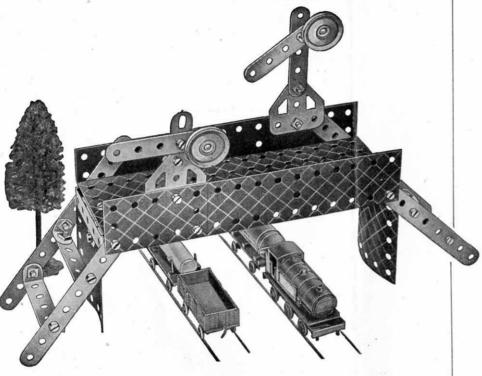
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2.1 RAILWAY FOOTBRIDGE



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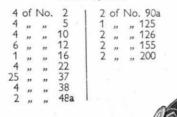
The span of the bridge is a 5½"×2½" Flanged Plate, extended by a 2½"×2½" Flexible Plate. Trunnions are bolted to each end of the span, and have 1 1 radius Curved Plates fastened to them. The sides of the approach stairways are 5½" Strips. They are joined across by 2½" × ½" Double Angle Strips and 21" Strips fitted with Angle Brackets at each end.

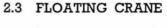
The signals are supported on Flat Trunnions bolted to the sides of the bridge. The smaller of the two signal posts is formed by two Fishplates, and the larger one is a 21 Strip. The signal arms are 24" Strips bolted to the posts in the second holes from one end. They are fitted at their shorter ends with 1" Pulleys, representing the spectacles, which are held in place by 3" Bolts passed through the Strips and inserted in their bosses.

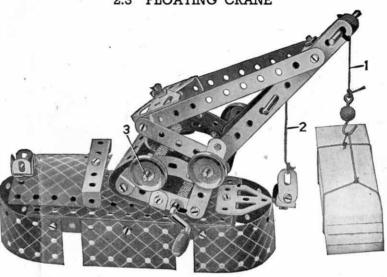
2.2 LAWN MOWER

The "cutter" is made by bolting an Angle Bracket at each end of a Reversed Angle Bracket 1 and then sliding an Axle Rod through the free holes of the Brackets. The two Pulleys 2 are fixed to the Rod and pushed tightly against the "cutter" to make it rotate with the Rod as the wheels revolve. The wheels are 1" Pulleys fitted with Rubber Rings.

Parts required





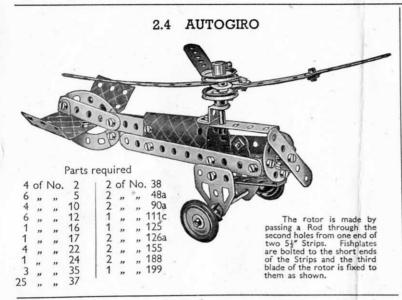


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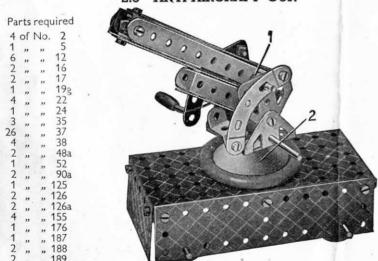
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The jib consists of 54" Strips and 24" Strips. At its upper end these are joined across by Angle Brackets, and at its lower end by Trunnions. Each side of the lower part of the crane consists of 24" Strips and small radius Curved Strips, the two sides being connected by 2½" × ½" Double Angle Strips. The jib is pivoted to this structure by means of a 3½" Rod, which carries at each end a 1" Pulley. The Cord 1 fitted with a Loaded Hook, is passed over a 2" Rod held in place in the jib by means of Spring Clips and is then wound around the Crank Handle.

The Cord 2 passes over a Rod held in the jib by a Cord Anchoring Spring, and is then wound around the Rod that forms the pivot for the jib. A third Cord is tied to a Bolt fastened in the two Trunnions at the base of the jib, and is wound round Rod 3. This Cord controls the luffing motion of the crane. A 3" Bolt passes through the Flanged Plate and is held by a set screw in the boss of the Bush Wheel to which the jib is fastened. The Bush Wheel is bolted to the Double Angle Strip below the Rod 3. The roof of the cabin is bolted to a 1 Reversed Angle Bracket fixed to the Flanged Plate.



2.5 ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN

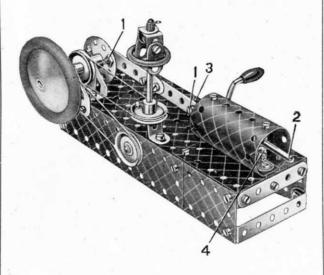


One end of a piece of Cord is fastened to the Crank Handle. It is wound round the Handle a few times and its other end is then fastened to the end of the gun. The two Trunnions are bolted to a Bush Wheel fixed on a 2° Rod that passes through the Road Wheel 2 and the Flanged Plate and is held in place by an Anchoring Spring. The Spring Clips at 1 space the gun barrel from the Flat Trunnions.

2.6 GAS ENGINE

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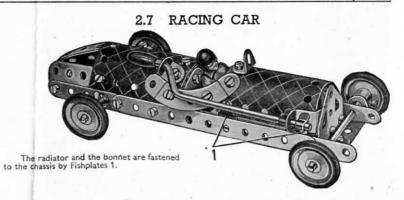
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The bearings for the Rod representing the crankshaft are a Flat Trunnion and a Trunnion. The crankshaft carries a Road Wheel and a 1" Pulley at one end, a second 1" Pulley between the bearings, and a Bush Wheel at its other end.

The connecting rod is fastened to the Bush Wheel and to an Angle Bracket 3 by lock-nutted Bolts 1. The Rod 2 is held in the Angle Bracket 3 by means of Spring Clips, one on each side. An Angle Bracket 4, carrying a Fishplate is bolted inside the cylinder, and a similar arrangement is fitted at the other end. These form bearings for the Rod 2.

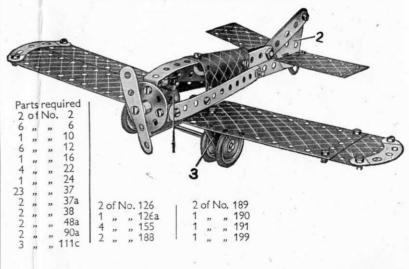
The model is operated by the Crank Handle, which carries also a 1" Pulley connected to one of the 1" Pulleys on the crankshaft by a belt of Cord. A second Cord drives the governor, which is mounted on a 3½" Rod journalled in the 5½" × 2½" Flanged Plate and a Reversed Angle Bracket.



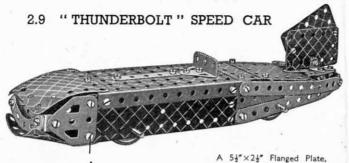
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2.8 LOW WING MONOPLANE



The fin 2 is a Flat Trunnion, and it is clamped between the two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strips. The Bearings 3 for the axle of the landing wheels are Trunnions, bolted to the wings. The wings are attached to the fuselage by Angle Brackets.

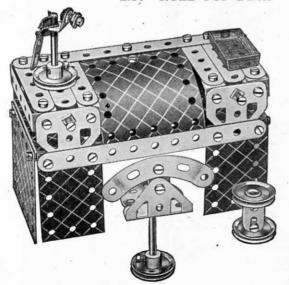


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radius Curved Plate and at the rear by two 2½" ×2½" Flexible Plates, forms the top of the car. The rear part of each side is formed by two 5½" Strips and a 2½" Strip, the former being connected together at the tail by Angle Brackets. Bolts 1 hold a 2½" ×½" Double Angle Strip that carries the 1½" radius Curved Plate forming the underside of the front cowling.

2.10 ROLL TOP DESK



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2.11 TRAVELLING CRANE

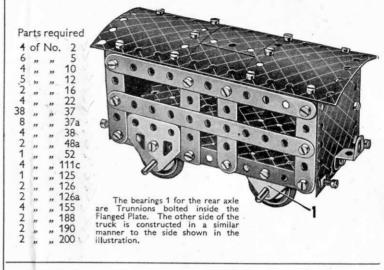


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A 2" Rod is secured in the boss of the Bush Wheel 3. It then passes through the Road Wheel and through the centre of a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " × $\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip bolted between the two Trunnions 1. A Washer and a Cord Anchoring Spring are pushed on to the Rod to hold it in position. The crane jib is attached to the Bush Wheel by the Angle Brackets 2.

2.12 CATTLE TRUCK



2.13 PIANO

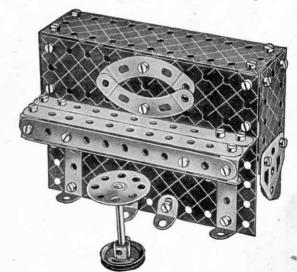
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A $5\frac{1}{2}$ " $\times 2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate is used for the upper part of the back and to each end of this a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip is bolted to form the rear legs.



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Each of the side members of the chassis consists of two 5½" Strips overlapped, and they are joined across at the centre by two 2½" Strips, one of which is shown at 2, and a 2½" ×¾" Double Angle Strip. The 2½" Strip and the Double Angle Strip are bolted to a Flat Trunnion, and between them is a second 2½" Strip, which is fastened at each end to the chassis by

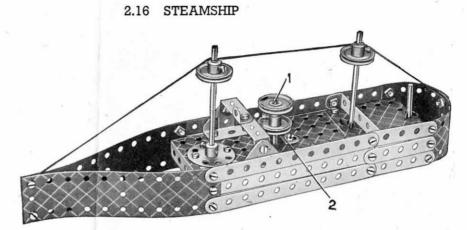
them is a second 2½° Strip, which is fastened at each end to the chassis by means of Angle Brackets.

The Plate 1 is fastened to an Angle Bracket that is bolted to Strip 2. The body is fixed to the chassis by a Double Angle Strip and an Angle Bracket.

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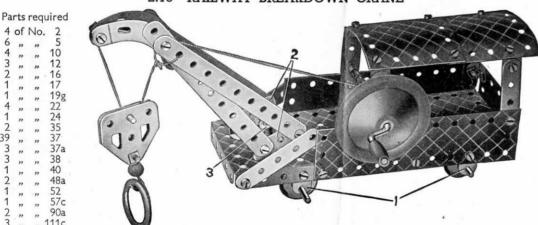
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The deck of the model is a $5\frac{1}{2}$ " Flanged Plate extended by a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Flexible Plate. A $2\frac{1}{2}$ " Double Angle Strip fitted with an Angle Bracket represents the bridge, and it is supported by two Trunnions bolted to the deck. The funnel consists of a Rod 1 fitted with two 1" fast Pulleys. The Rod passes through the hole in a Reversed Angle Bracket 2 and then through the Flanged Plate.

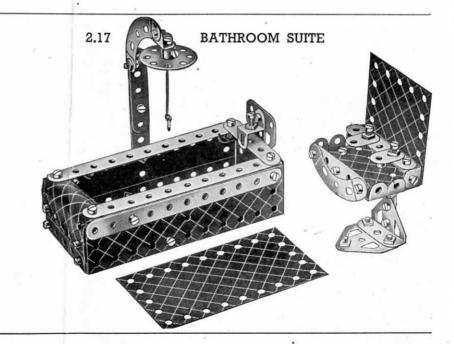
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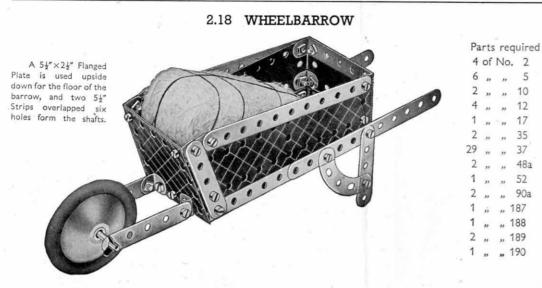


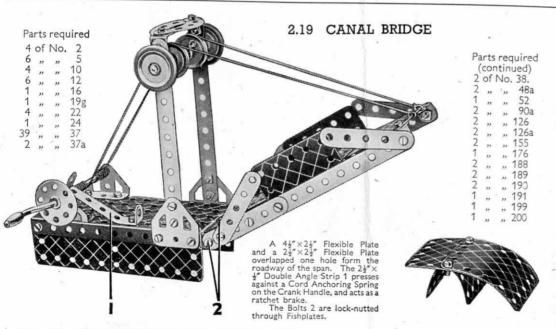
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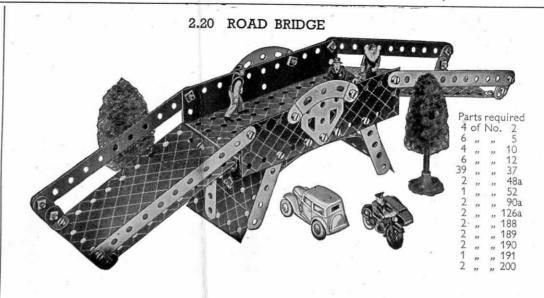
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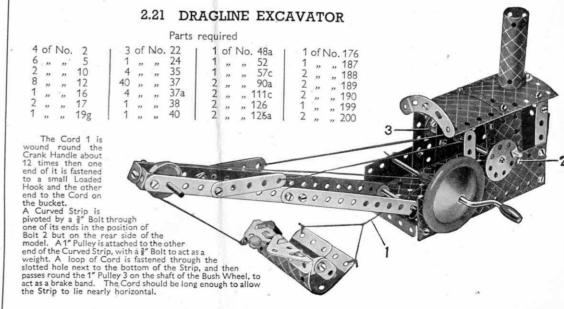


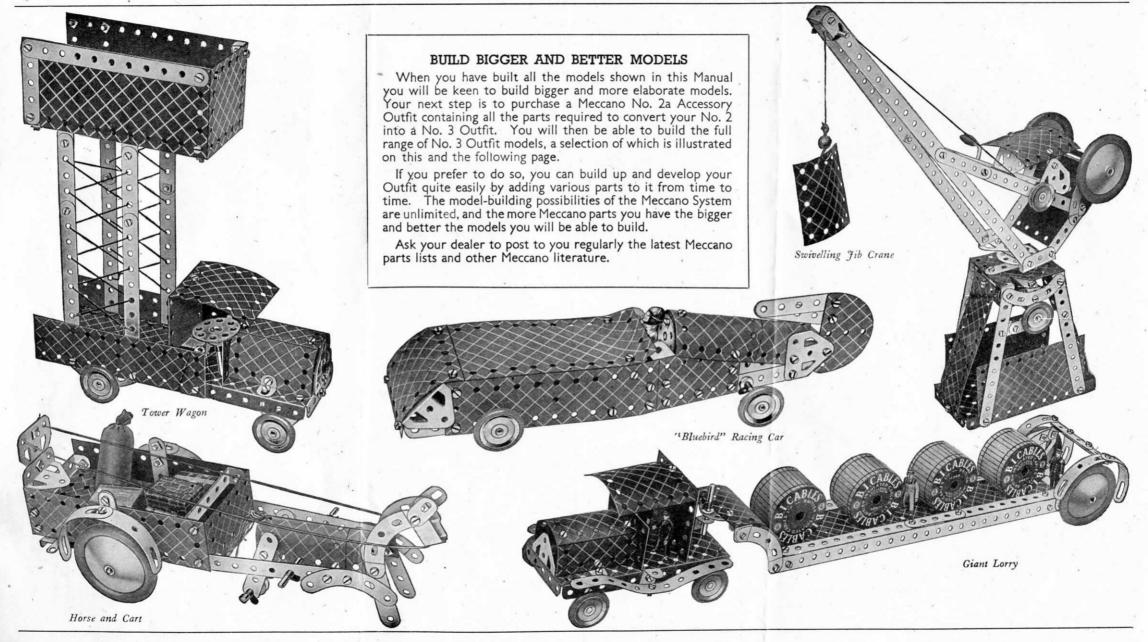


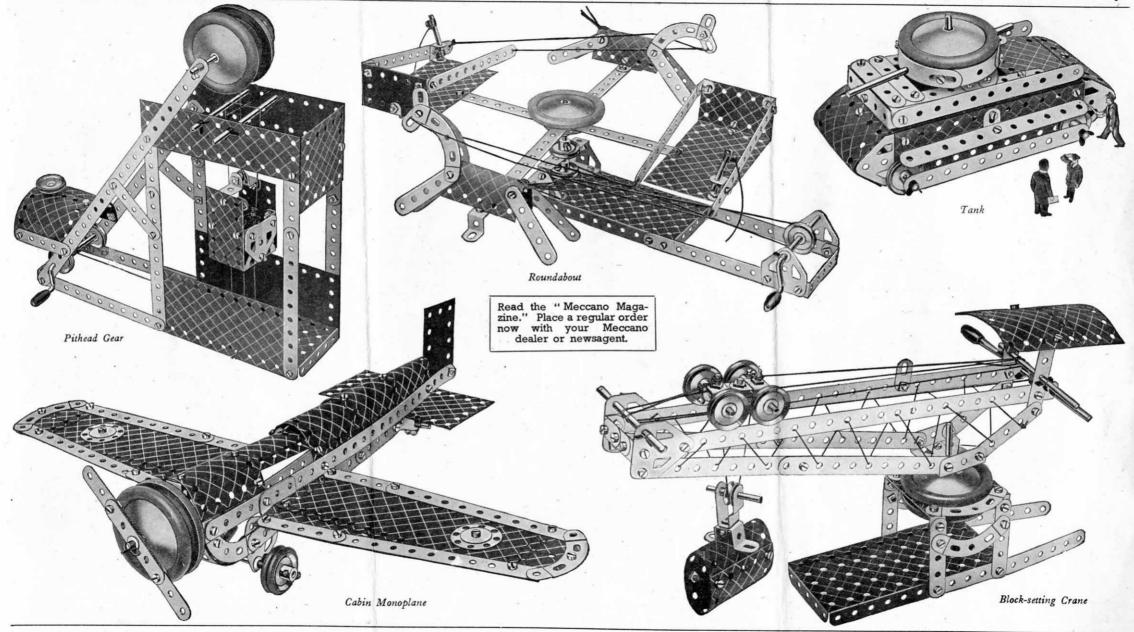












Here are a few simple and interesting movements showing how easily real mechanisms can be reproduced with Meccano.

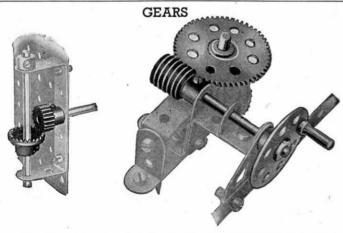
WORM AND PINION BEARING



The compact rear axle drive unit illustrated above is intended chiefly for use in small models of motor cars. Two Corner Angle Brackets are secured by Bolts passing through their elongated holes to a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " Strip, to which a Double Bent Strip also is secured. The Rod carrying the Worm is passed through the centre hole of the Strips and held in position by a Collar.

The driven Rod is journalled in the Corner Angle Brackets and carries a Pinion that engages with the Worm.

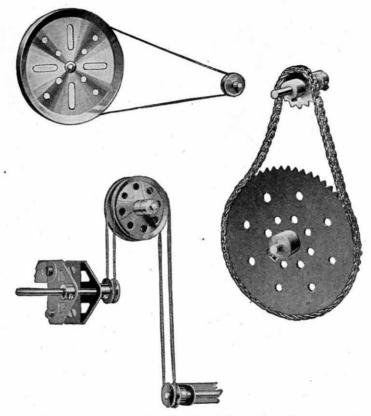
A feature of this bearing that should not be overlooked is that the useful gear ratio of 25:1 is provided by employing a 3" Pinion.



The Meccano system includes a wide range of Gear Wheels, Bevel Gears, Pinions, Contrate Wheels and Worms in various sizes. All manner of interesting movements can be obtained by the use of these gears.

How a drive can be transmitted from a vertical to a horizontal shaft, or vice versa, is shown on the left. On the right the Worm engaged with a Gear Wheel gives a very great reduction in shaft speed.

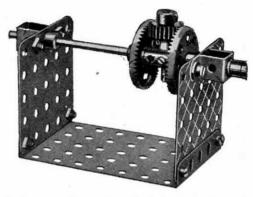
BELT AND CHAIN DRIVES



Above we show examples of belt and chain drive. The movements illustrated require no explanation excepting, perhaps, the lower belt drive, which shows a simple method for transmitting the drive from one shaft to another when the shafts are not in line.

Cords usually take the place of belts in Meccano models but miniature belting can be made from strips of canvas, indiarubber, etc., in which case Flanged Wheels should be used instead of grooved Pulleys.

EPICYCLIC TRANSMISSION GEAR



Practically every type of mechanical power transmission gear can be reproduced with Meccano.

The device illustrated is designed to provide a gear ratio between two shafts mounted in direct line with one another. Its chief merit lies in the compactness of its construction and lack of external bearings.

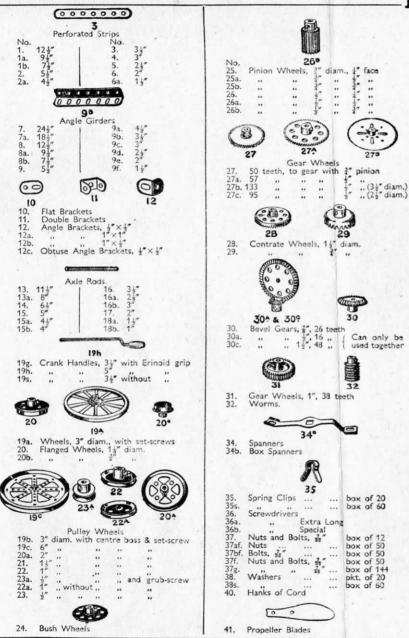
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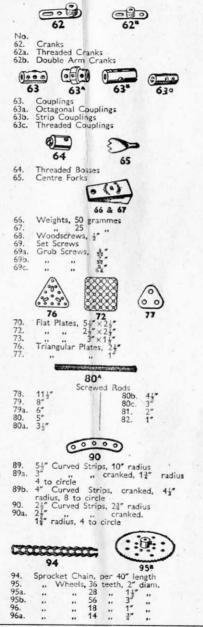
The various types of steering mechanism commonly in use on vehicles of all descriptions can readily be reproduced with Meccano.

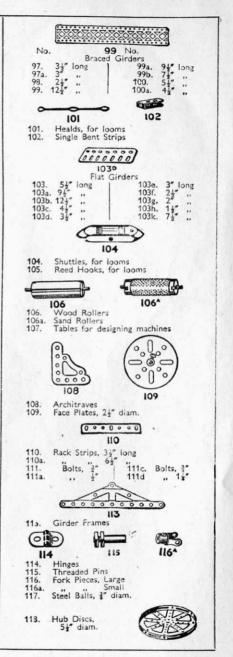
In the example illustrated, the road wheels are controlled by an endless Sprocket Chain operated by a Worm and Pinion mechanism.

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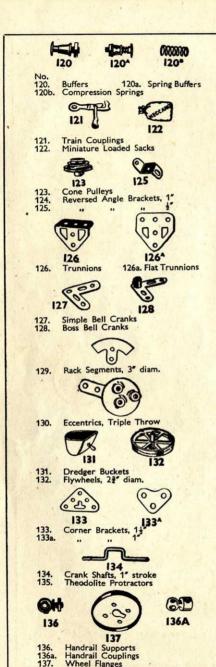


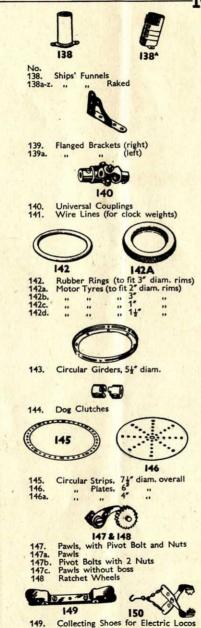
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51. Flanged Plates, 2½"×1½" 52. 5½"×2½" 53. Flat Plate", 5½"×3½" 53. Flanged Plates, 3½"×2½" 53a. Flat Plates, 4½"×2½"	
54a. Flanged Sector Plates, 4½" long	
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55. Perforated Strips, slotted, 54" long 55a. " long 2" long	
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57. Hooks 57a. Scientific 57b. Loaded, Large 57c. Loaded, Small	
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58. Spring Cord, 40" Length 58a. Coupling Screws for Spring Cord 58b. Hooks for Spring Cord	
59. Collars, with grub-screws	
61. Windmill Sails	



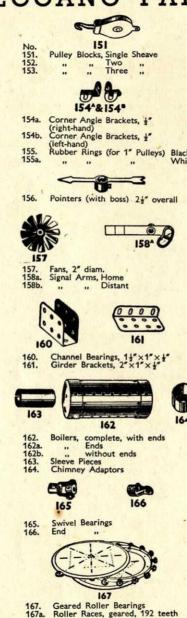


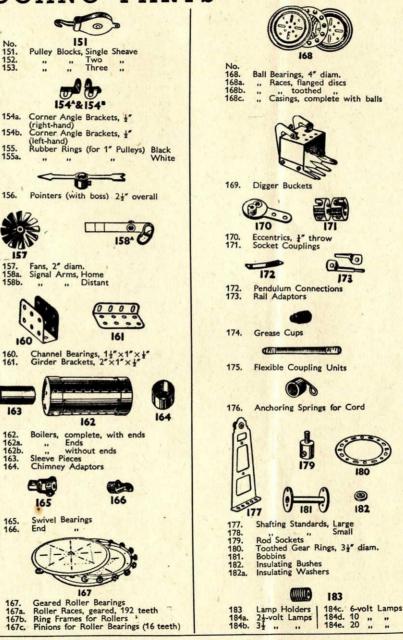
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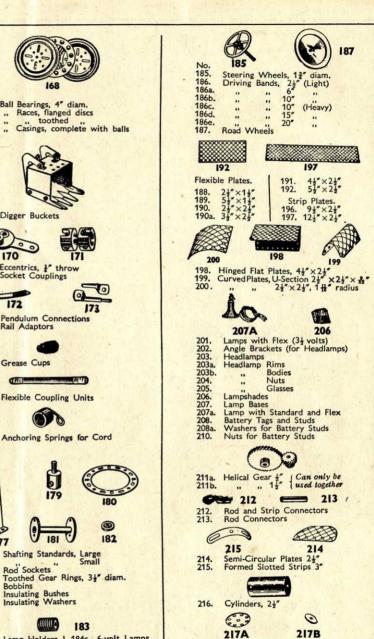




Crane Grabs







217a. Discs, 1½" 219. Wheel Discs

217b. Discs #"