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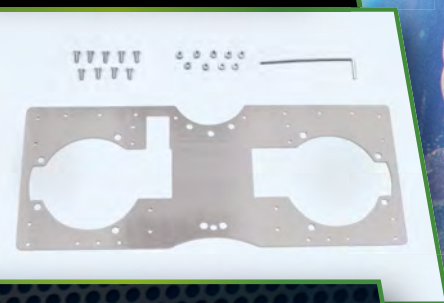
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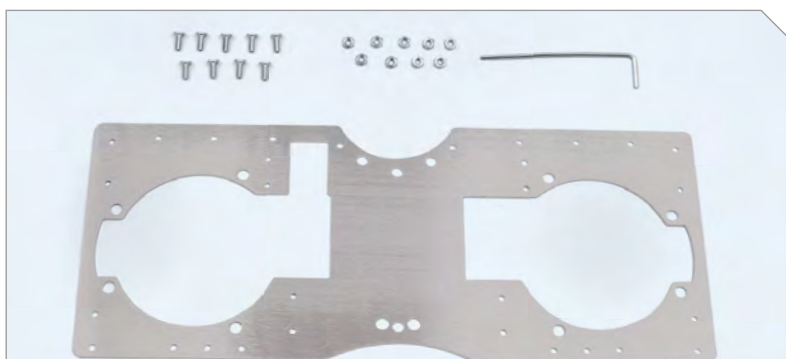
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The TARDIS is caught in a time corridor that leads to Earth in 1984.



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A new and even more deadly Dalek fought in the Time War.



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The third baseplate along with hex key and fixing screws.

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RESURRECTION OF THE DALEKS

PART 1

The Daleks launch an attack on a space station to rescue a very special prisoner.

Season 21 Episode 11a
First Broadcast:
8 February 1984

The silence of a derelict alleyway in London Docklands is suddenly broken. A small group of desperate people wearing strange clothing escape from a warehouse. They try to flee from three policemen but are quickly cut down by their machine pistols. An elderly witness is also killed. The policemen's leader, a man named Lytton, disappears in a halo of red light along with the victims. The other two policemen casually walk off. Only two of the escapees survive, hidden inside an alcove.

Far in the future, Lytton materialises aboard an advanced space battle cruiser with the bodies of the victims. He is angry. "That was a shambles," he tells one of his men, "They got out of the warehouse, it should never have happened. And who ordered the use of machine pistols?" Lytton's subordinate answers, "Standing orders. Nothing anachronistic is to be taken to Earth." Lytton demands that stun lasers be used next time.





The Doctor, Tegan and Turlough struggle to keep their feet as the TARDIS is dragged down a time corridor. The Cloister Bell starts to sound – a warning that the TARDIS is in danger. The Doctor manages to break the TARDIS free and follows a parallel path to the corridor, heading for 20th-century Earth.

The two escapees, Galloway and Stien, creep back towards the warehouse. Stien is fearful but Galloway insists that “We must warn our own people.” The



warehouse seems to be deserted, but Galloway is killed by a trooper wearing a Dalek-like helmet. Stien hears the fatal shots and runs back outside.

An aged prison station hangs in space. A young officer, Lieutenant Mercer, and the jaded Dr Styles walk through its dirty hallways. Styles is looking forward to leaving her post. Mercer is a recent arrival and is dismayed by the state of the station. It has only one prisoner.

Stien has climbed to one of the foot bridges that cuts across the docklands alley. He observes a van approaching the warehouse. Several British army soldiers and a civilian woman exit and enter the building.

Mercer works on the station's bridge. Another young officer, Osborn, chats with him. “The captain normally allows new arrivals to settle in before subjecting them to the tedium of Officer of the Watch,” she says, teasing him. “What did you do?” she asks. “I complained,” Mercer replies. He explains that he raised the subject of the poor state of the station's defence system. Osborn tells him to relax: “The only ship we see around here is our own supply vessel,” she says. But a crewman interrupts her: “Sensors have picked up a ship in warp drive. It's just entered the exclusion zone,” he says.

The TARDIS arrives by the Thames in 1984. The travellers begin to search for the location of the time corridor. They find an exhausted Stien who warns them not to go into the warehouse. Stien tells them that he doesn't know who is



controlling the time corridor. He says that he is from Earth, “But not all the prisoners are from the same period,” he explains. The Doctor enters and the others follow. Once again, the main area appears to be deserted. Galloway's body is gone. Tegan finds some bullets. “Hardly alien,” she points out to the Doctor. “Why advertise who you are?” he replies. Tegan realises that Turlough has disappeared from sight.

The battle cruiser attacks the prison station. It blasts the station's defences and heads for a docking bay. Dr Styles joins Mercer and others as they prepare to defend the station. Mercer hands a computer card to Osborn. “Should we be boarded, destroy the prisoner,” he tells her.



VIOLENT OPENING

Resurrection of the Daleks sparked criticism in the press, with some people complaining about increasing levels of violence being portrayed in *Doctor Who*. Director Matthew Robinson commented, “What was horrific in *Resurrection* was people being gunned down in what appeared to be fairly realistic circumstances, such as by a policeman with a machine gun. People are mostly gunned down in *Doctor Who* with things that look like toothpaste tubes – you can hardly take that seriously. I think Eric [Saward, script editor] and John [Nathan-Turner, producer] had got together and decided to have quite a startling opening to the Dalek story.”



SNEH GUPTA

Osborn was played by Sneh Gupta. With her, Jim Findley and John Adam Baker portraying the prison station crew, they provided a very rare sight on British TV in the 1980s – a multi-cultural cast. “I thought it was very forward-looking,” she commented. “It was very brave, really. At the time when I came into acting in Britain, there was only about two [Indian] actresses in my age group. I'd always only be cast if there was a young Indian girl waiting to get married, having an arranged marriage [or] trying to run away from an arranged marriage. It wasn't really representative of the multi-racial society that Britain was at that time. So, when a programme like *Doctor Who* comes along, and they want to cast you even though there isn't a specific reason for an Indian actress to be there, you lap it up, [because] you want to work as an actress, not as an Indian actress.” Gupta enjoyed her *Doctor Who* experience: “It was such great fun. It was a smallish part but it was one of the most memorable ones, absolutely.”



The battle cruiser extends a tunnel to the station's docking bay. Mercer and the others struggle to pull down a large shield, but it is of little use. The shield is soon blasted open and a squad of Daleks glide into the docking bay. The station's crew exchanges fire with the Daleks. The crew put up a good defence, killing two Daleks with mines. The Daleks retreat.

Lytton and the Supreme Dalek watch the defeat aboard the battle cruiser. Lytton reminds the Supreme Dalek that he had warned that this would happen. "We shall try your plan," the Supreme Dalek replies, "But should you fail, you will be exterminated!"



Mercer and Styles wait at the docking bay entrance, crouched behind some crates with their weapons. Styles wants to take the fight to the Daleks, but Mercer pulls her back. Suddenly, a gas cannister is thrown onto the floor by one of Lytton's troopers. Gas floods the docking bay. The station guards without masks fall to the floor, choking. Their faces start to mutate as they die. The Daleks re-enter and attack. Mercer, Styles and the surviving guards are forced to withdraw.

Osborn tries to destroy the prisoner but the equipment on the bridge doesn't work. She and a crewman head for the prisoner's cell. The Daleks arrive soon after and exterminate the rest of the bridge crew.

While Tegan hides behind a crate, the Doctor and Stien are confronted by Colonel Archer, Sgt Calder and Professor Laird from the British army. The Doctor tells them about the time corridor. He is intrigued to see that Archer doesn't immediately dismiss his story. "What have you found?" the Doctor asks, "Alien objects?" Archer turns to Calder and tells him to inform their HQ of the new arrivals.

The Supreme Dalek observes the Doctor in the warehouse and orders a Dalek to go there and capture him. Turlough has found himself aboard the battle cruiser after accidentally walking into the time corridor area. He hides from the Dalek as it heads for 20th-century Earth.

Osborn and the crewman have reached the cell. They try to activate the destruct mechanism and kill the prisoner. The



crewman begins to mutate. He lurches toward Osborn, crying, "Help me! What's happening to me?!" Osborn moves away, yelling, "Keep back!" but the terrified man keeps advancing on her. She is forced to shoot him. Lytton and his men unlock the cell door and enter. Osborn shoots one of them but is then killed. They disarm the explosive.

Lytton gives a command: "Release Davros." A wall slides upward, revealing the aged Dalek creator...



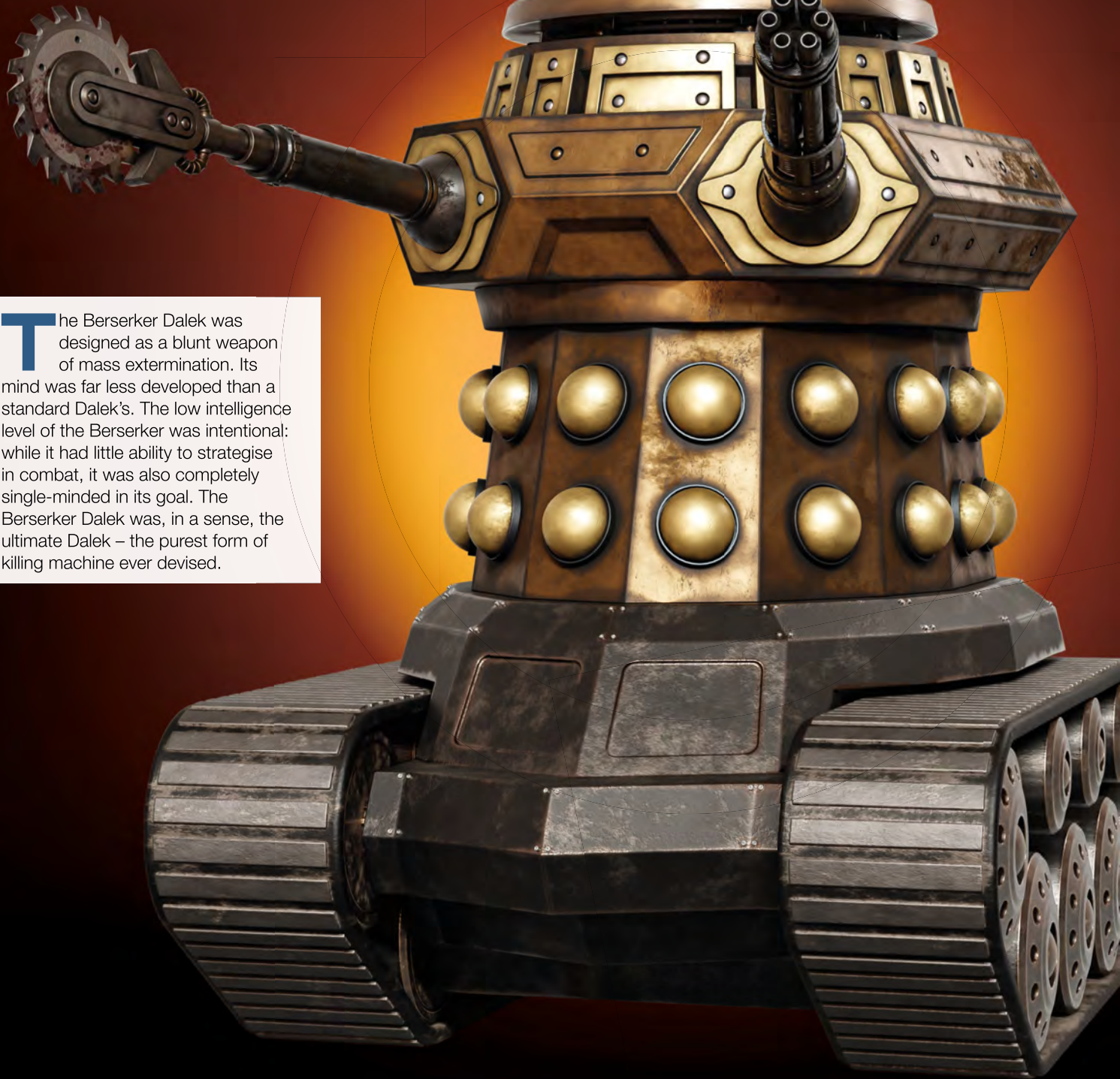
JIM FINDLEY

Actor Jim Findley played Lieutenant Mercer: "When I came to England, the first Doctor I saw was Patrick Troughton, so he's 'my' Doctor. But I really liked Peter Davison. He was absolutely brilliant. A really good pro, really nice to work with. Absolutely relaxed style, you don't even know he's acting." The Daleks had retained their power over Findley from his childhood: "We filmed at Acton, and it's this massive BBC building. When I went into this really big room, sort of a warehouse, the Daleks were over in the corner. And I went in on my own, at nine o'clock in the morning with my pastry and my cup of tea, and I saw them, and my stomach went. They still scared me."

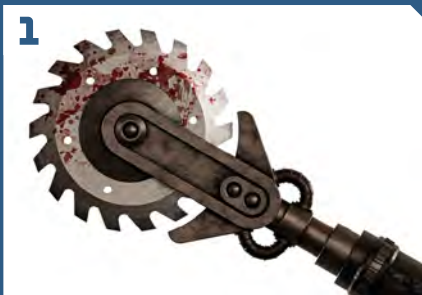


BERSERKER DALEK

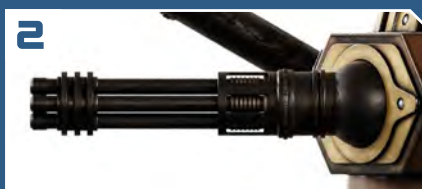
The Time War forced the Daleks to move beyond their standard model and create more specialised designs.



The Berserker Dalek was designed as a blunt weapon of mass extermination. Its mind was far less developed than a standard Dalek's. The low intelligence level of the Berserker was intentional: while it had little ability to strategise in combat, it was also completely single-minded in its goal. The Berserker Dalek was, in a sense, the ultimate Dalek – the purest form of killing machine ever devised.



The Berserker had no manipulator arm. Instead, it was equipped with an extendable buzz-saw blade that could slice through even the most durable of metallic alloys, from silicote to chronosteel [1]. Its main weapon was a heavy multiple-barrel firearm that discharged projected energy. It fired a beam of concentrated neutronic particles that disrupted the molecular structure of any object. At close range, it could blast a hole through six-inch steel [2].



Like all Daleks, the Berserker's outer casing was composed of Dalekanium, a hyper-dense alloy made from metals native to Skaro. It is ten times stronger than steel, yet has only the quarter of the weight of aluminium. The casing is capable of withstanding temperatures of up to 2000 degrees Celsius. The Berserker's armour could survive concentrated fire from high-calibre ballistic weapons. Heavy projectile weapons such as the bazooka and tank



shells could damage the armour at close range [3].

The Berserker was not equipped with the traditional anti-gravity hover units for its mobility. Replacing them were a pair of heavy tank-like treads that were far more resistant to landmines and other ground weapons [4]. While slower and less manoeuvrable than a standard Dalek, the Berserker could operate for much longer periods before needing recharging. The Berserkers were powered by a distronic engine that emitted a toxic black vapour from its exhaust vents.

The Berserkers were considered savage even by Dalek standards. They rejoiced in mass slaughter and preferred to cause as much physical harm to their victims as possible. Their vocabulary was limited. They distinguished each other by using different categories of 'death'.

Berserkers lacked the regenerative qualities of the standard Daleks during the Time War. However, they were capable of reconstructing their broken casings from any form of shrapnel available on the battlefield, as well as pieces of other damaged Berserkers. They could even use the bodies of their victims as a resource for rebuilding themselves.

Berserker Daleks were designed to wipe out entire planetary populations and were given few other missions in the Time War. However, the Dalek Science Division once conducted a test of the Berserker's capabilities by launching one at a Time Lord research

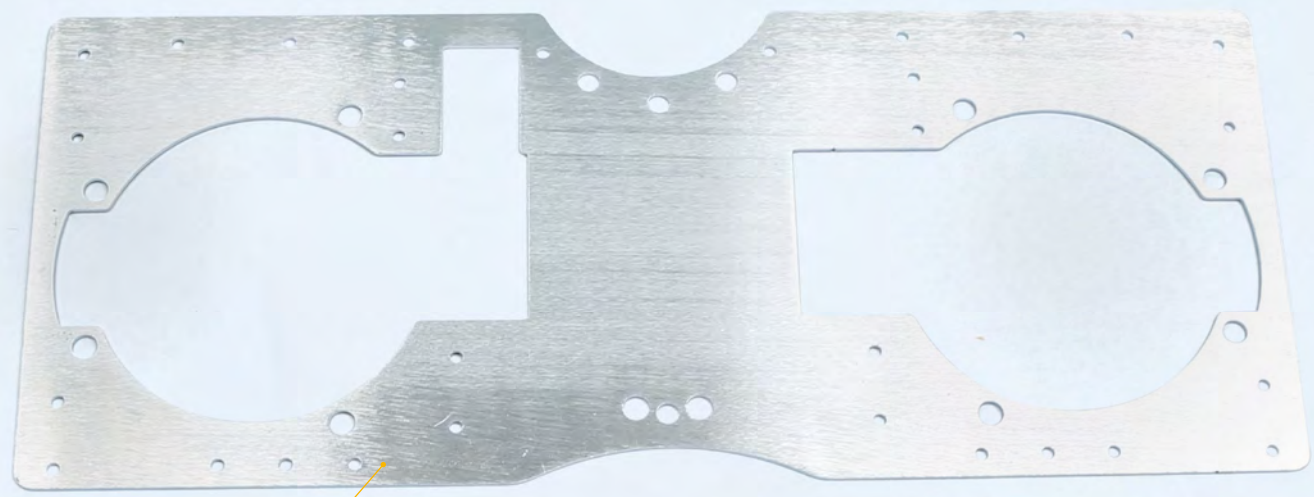
station staffed by young Time Lords. It killed all but two of them, who were rescued by General Kenossium, Cardinal Rasmus and Commander Veklin. They discovered a vulnerability of the Berserker – its organic component could be temporarily frozen by experimental preservation technology. The Dalek scientists, having learned of this weakness, were satisfied and boarded the research station to halt the test. However, the Berserker had grown completely uncontrollable and killed them.

Berserker Daleks could survive for thousands of years. After a Dalek attack on Sunspire, one was trapped in a bunker containing the native populations' gene bank. Unlike a standard Dalek, the Berserker did not have the intelligence necessary to go into hibernation mode and wait to be discovered. Instead, it remained conscious for several centuries, attacking the walls of its prison as it went completely insane.



SKIRT SECTION

BASEPLATE ASSEMBLY



37A

37B



37C



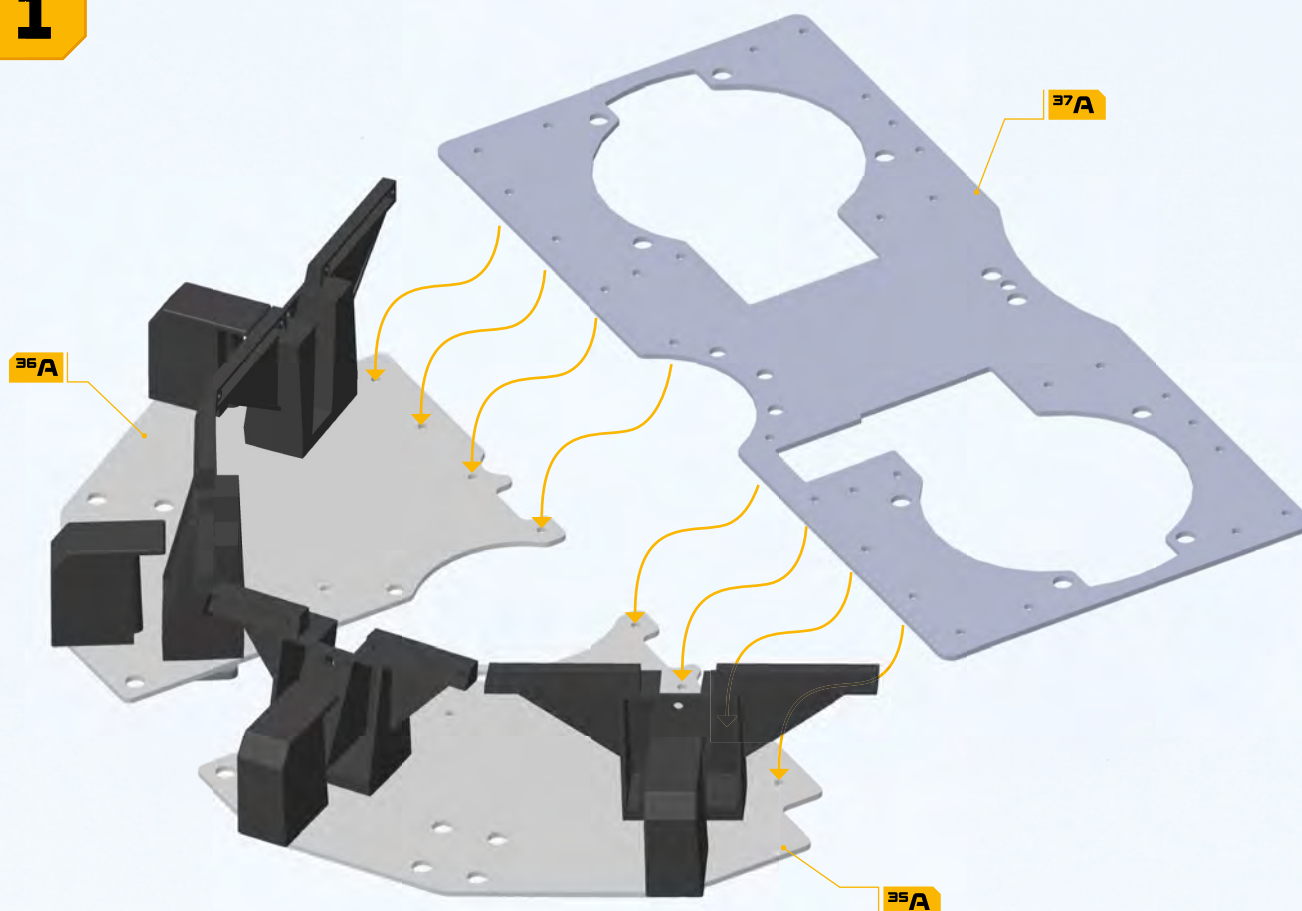
37D



COMPONENTS OF ISSUE 37

37A	BASEPLATE (PART 3)	37C	NINE NUTS (1 SPARE)
37B	NINE HEX-HEAD SCREWS (1 SPARE)	37D	ALLEN KEY

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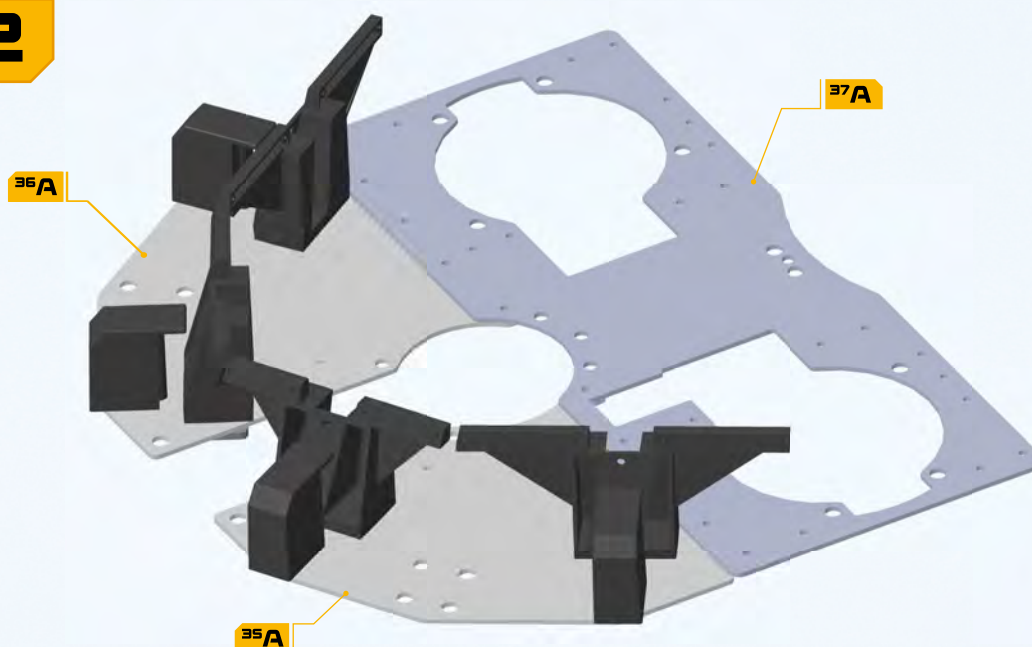
Position the two baseplates from the previous issue on your work surface as shown. Take the baseplate **37A** and note the orientation (the two central cut-outs are different shapes). Align the eight

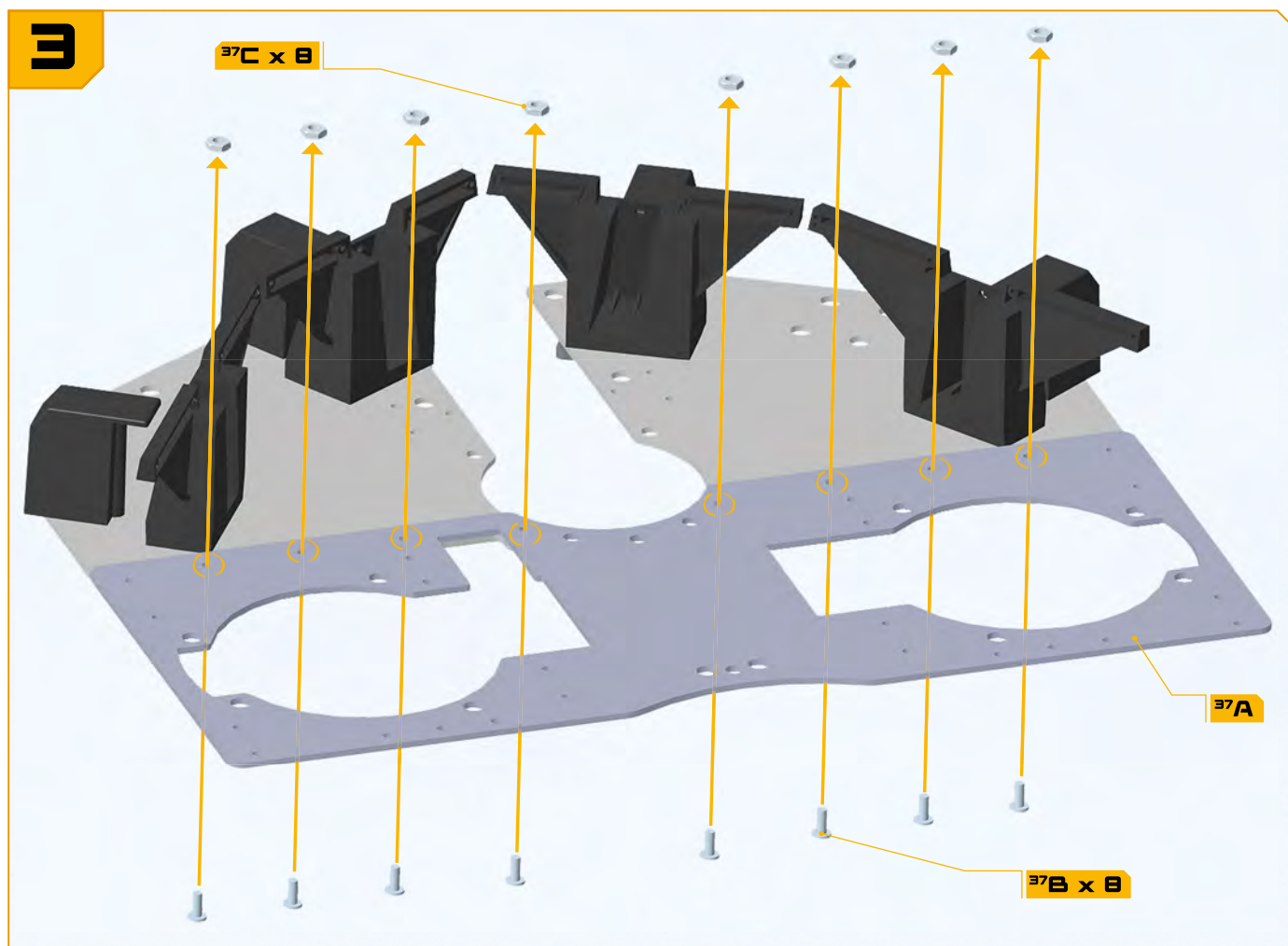
screwholes along one side of part **37A** with screw holes in parts **35A** and **36A**, as indicated. Part **37A** overlaps the baseplates **35A** and **36A** by almost 2cm.

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This shows the assembly with screw holes aligned.

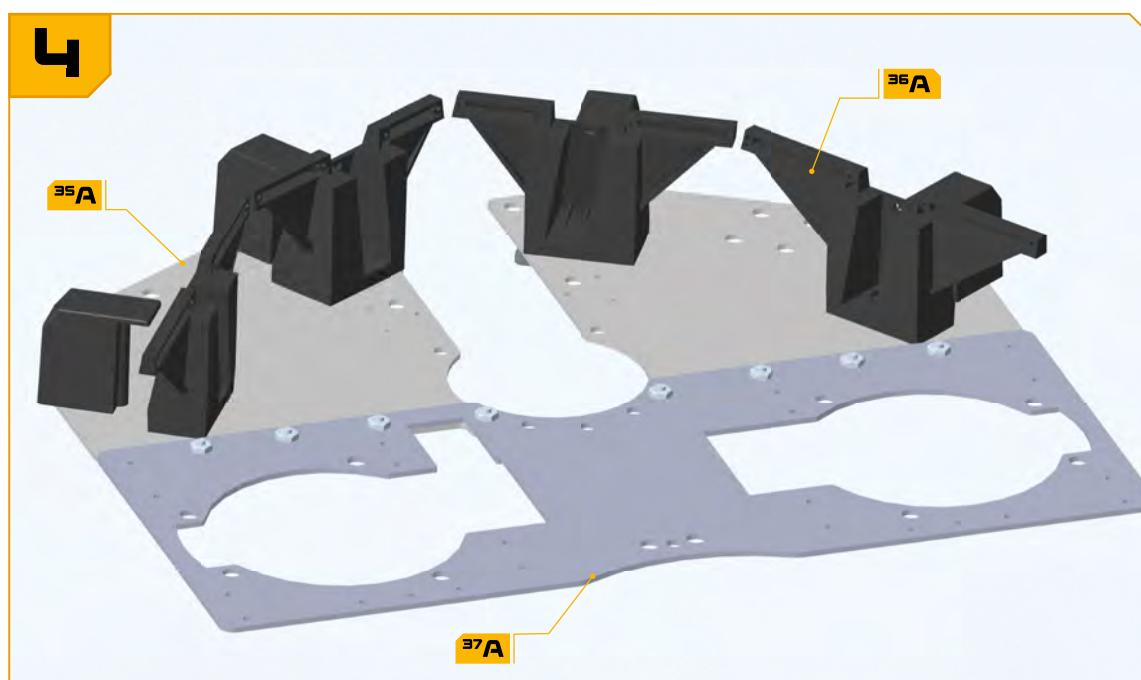
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One at a time, fit the eight hex-head screws **37B** up through the holes in the baseplates. After fitting each screw, fit a nut **37C** on to the screw and tighten it a few turns.



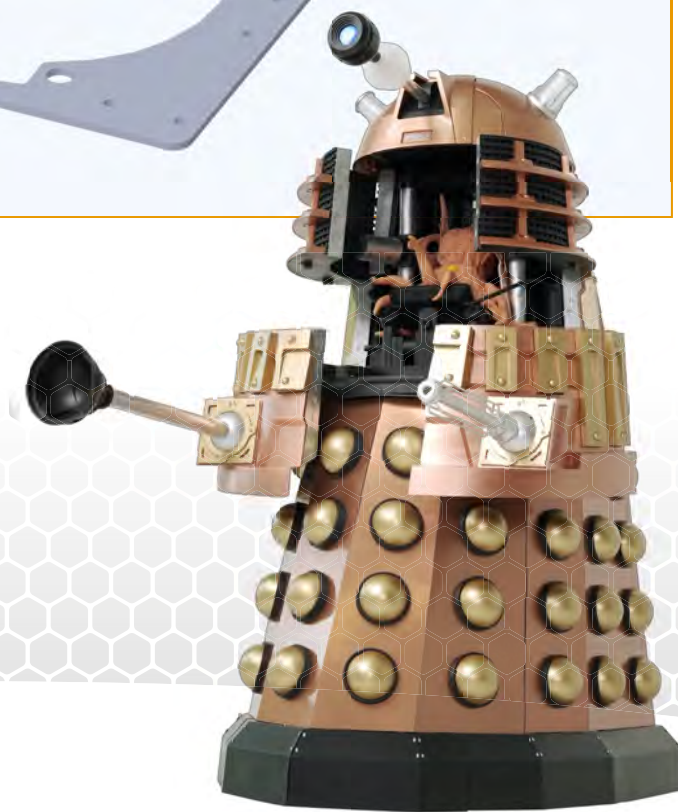
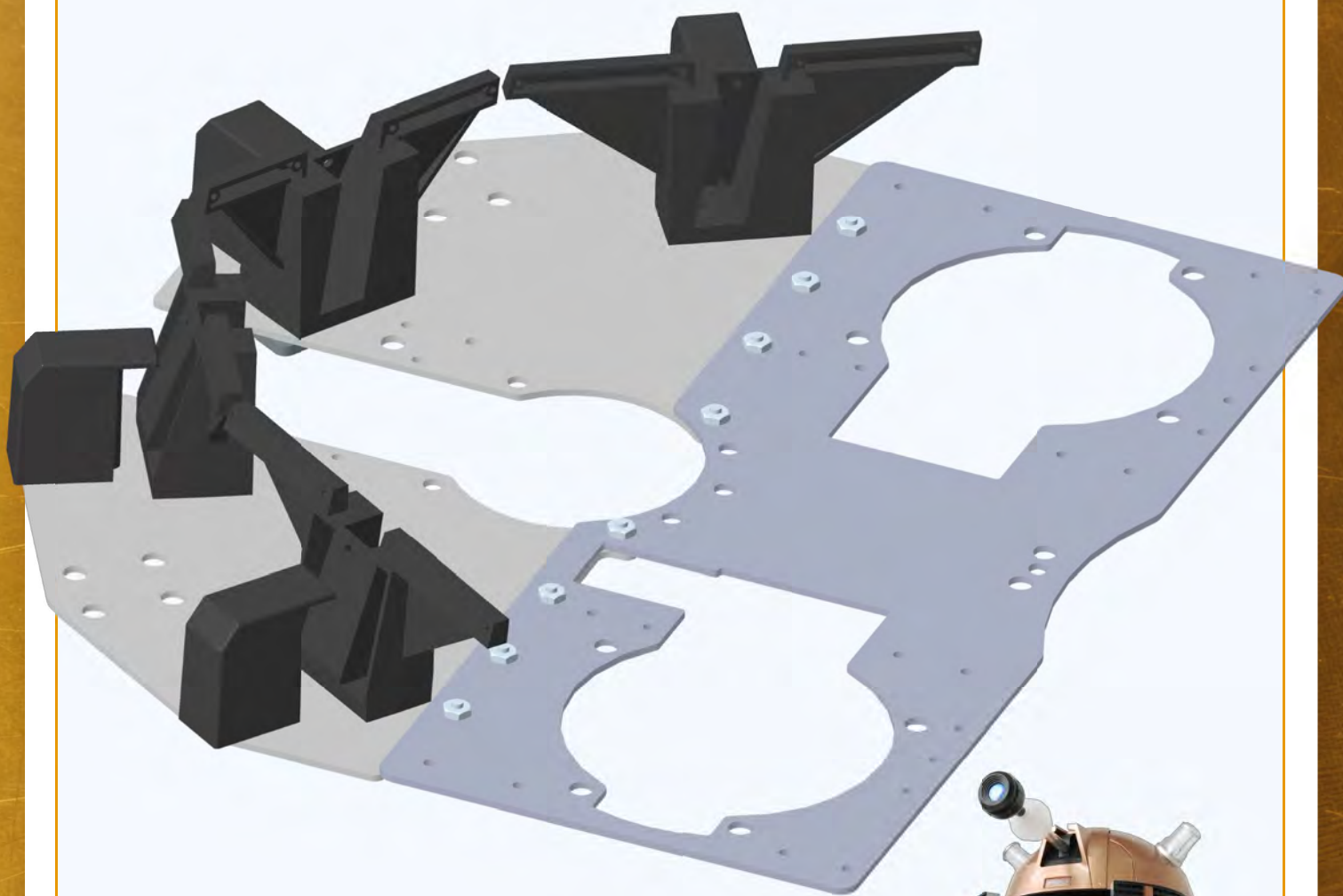
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One at a time, hold the nuts **37C** in place and use the Allen key to tighten the screws. Don't worry if you find it difficult to tighten the hex-head screws and nuts: a socket spanner will be supplied with the next issue so that you can ensure they are fully tightened.

COMPLETED WORK

#37-COMPLETED WORK

Baseplates 35A and 36A have been joined to baseplate 37A.



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▼ BUILD PART 38 ▼

The fourth baseplate section, two skirt holders, a pedestal holder and pedestal adaptor, plus a socket spanner and screws.



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