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BRICKS**



**LEGO® MCLAREN FORMULA 1 RACE CAR  
#42141 LIGHT KIT  
INSTALLATION GUIDE**

# Light My Bricks



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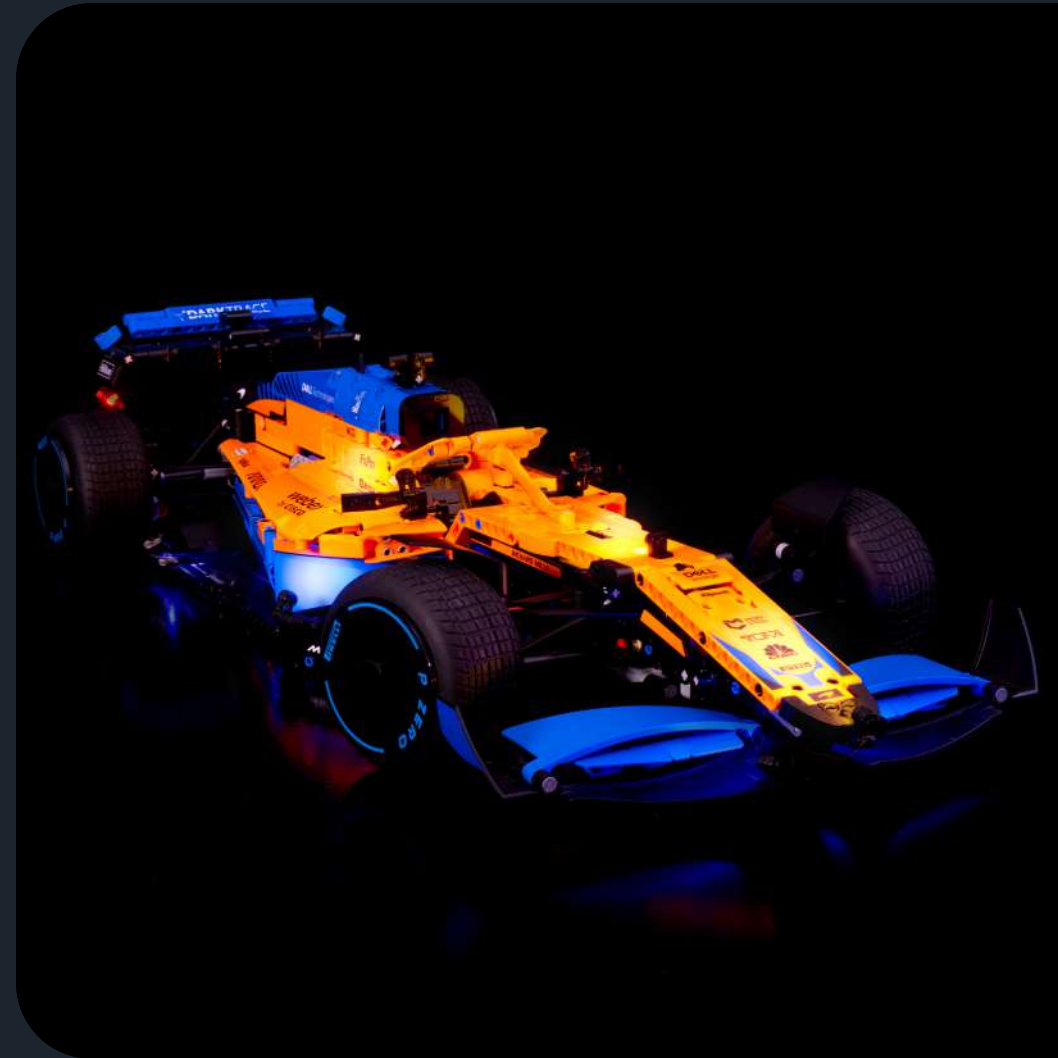
Hi There!

We're here to help you get started on the LEGO McLaren Formula 1 Race Car 42141 Light Kit.

This PDF details the instructions for the LED light kit only. If you are wishing to purchase this product, please [click here](#) to view the product page.

If you run into any issues, please refer to the troubleshooting section towards the end of this guide.

Have fun and enjoy!





## PACKAGE CONTENTS:



- 1x Flashing Red 30cm Bit Light
- 2x Red 30cm Bit Light
- 1x Green to Orange 15cm Bit Light
- 4x Orange Large 30cm Bit Light
- 8x Blue 30cm Bit Light \*



- 2x 6-Port Expansion Board
- 1x 8-Port Expansion Board
- 6x Adhesive Squares



- 3x 15cm Connecting Cables \*



- 1x USB Power Cable  
(Power Source not Included)

## ASSORTED BRICKS:



- 1x Round Plate 1x1 - Trans Clear
- 16x Plate 1x1 Mod Rounded w Handle - Black
- 11x Round Plate 1x1 Open Stud - Black
- 8x Arm Skeleton, Bent with Clips (Horizontal Grip) - Black
- 4x Tile 1x1 W Clip Round Edges - Black
- 2x Tile 1x2 - Trans Red
- 1x Plate 1x1 - Trans Red
- 2x Plate 1x2 MW Handle On End - Black
- 2x Technic Pin 1/2 - Light Grey
- 2x Bar 3L - Black
- 2x Plate 1x1 - Black
- 4x Bracket 1x1 Inverted- Black

\* Indicates components which include spares

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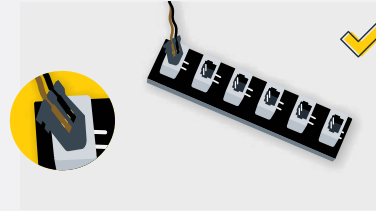
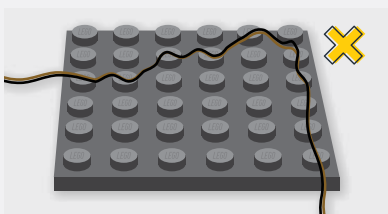
## Before You Begin



### Laying cables in between and underneath bricks

Cables can fit in between and underneath LEGO® bricks, plates, and tiles providing they are laid correctly between the LEGO® studs. Do NOT forcefully join LEGO® together around cables; instead ensure they are laying comfortably in between each stud.

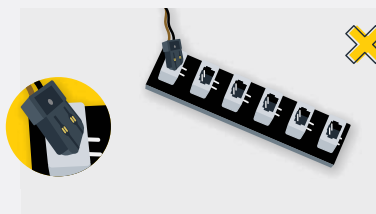
*CAUTION: Forcing LEGO® to connect over a cable can result in damaging the cable and light.*



### Connecting Cable Connectors To Expansion Boards

Take extra care when inserting connectors to ports of Expansion Boards. Connectors can be inserted only one way. With the expansion board facing up, look for the soldered “=” symbol on the left side of the port. The connector side with the wires exposed should be facing toward the soldered “=” symbol as you insert into the port. If a plug won’t fit easily into a port connector, do not force it.

*Incorrectly inserting the connector can result in bent pins inside the port or possible overheating of the expansion board when connected.*



## Before You Begin



### Connecting Cable Connectors To Strip Lights

Take extra care when inserting connectors to ports on the Strip Lights. Connectors can be inserted only one way. With the Strip Light facing up, ensure the side of the connector with the wires exposed is facing down. If a plug won't fit easily into a port connector, don't force it. Doing so will damage the plug and the connector.



### Connecting Micro Cable Connectors To Micro Expansion Board Ports

Take extra care when inserting the micro connectors to micro ports of Micro Expansion Boards. Connecting Micro Bit Lights to Micro Expansion Boards is similar to connecting lights and cables to Strip Lights. With the expansion board facing up, ensure the side of the connector with the wires exposed is facing down. If a plug won't fit easily into a port connector, do not force it. Use your fingernail to push the plastic part of the connector to the micro port.

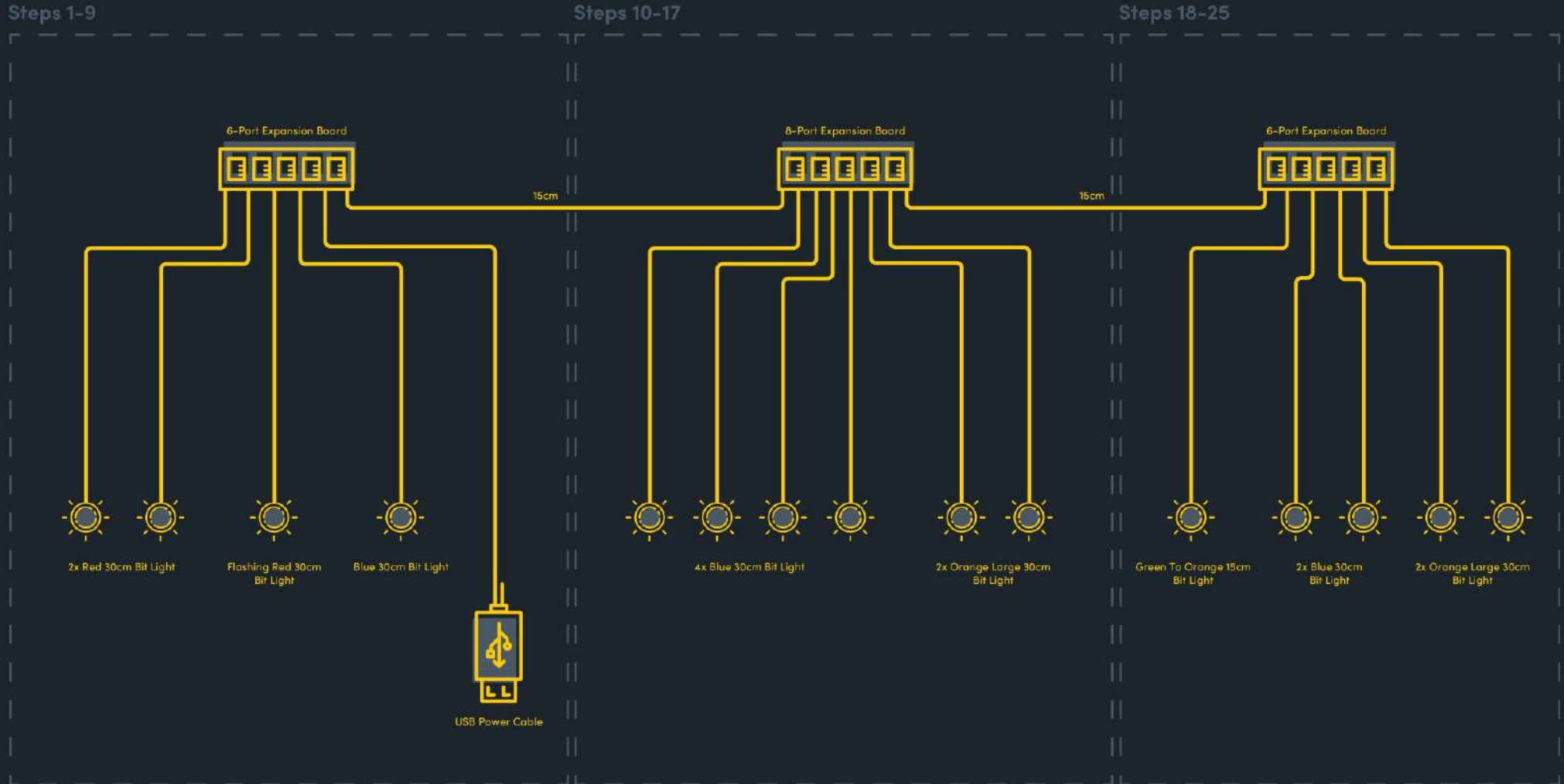
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### Installing Bit Lights Under Lego® Bricks And Plates

When installing Bit Lights under LEGO® pieces, ensure they are placed the correct way up (Yellow LED component exposed). You can either place them directly on top of LEGO® studs or in between.



# BLUEPRINT

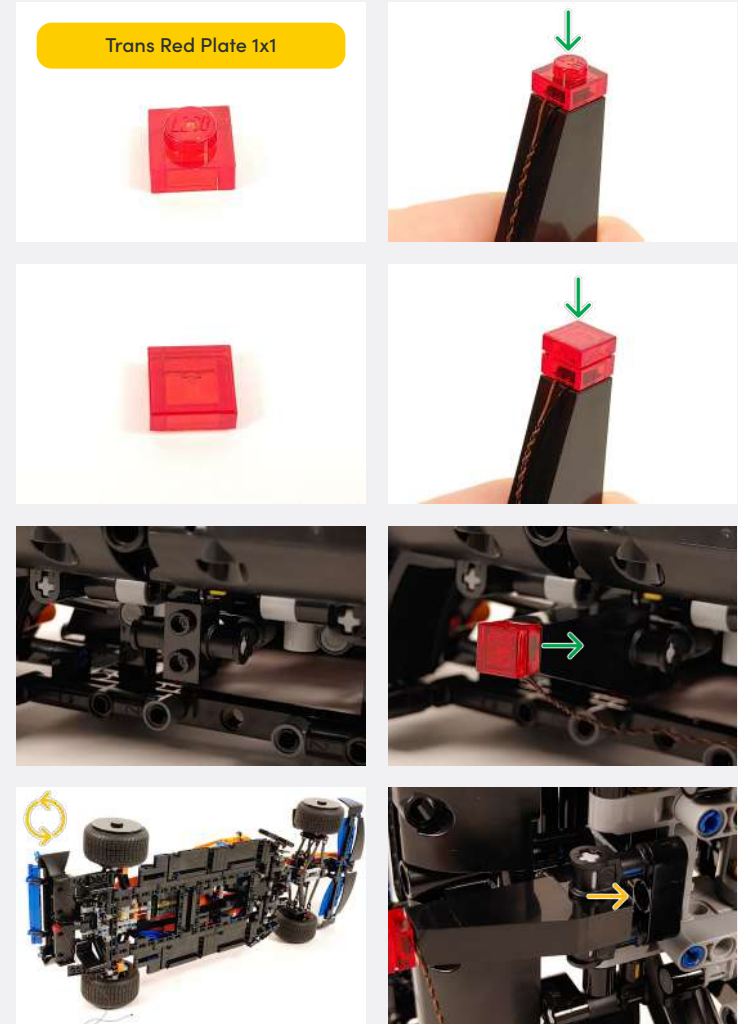
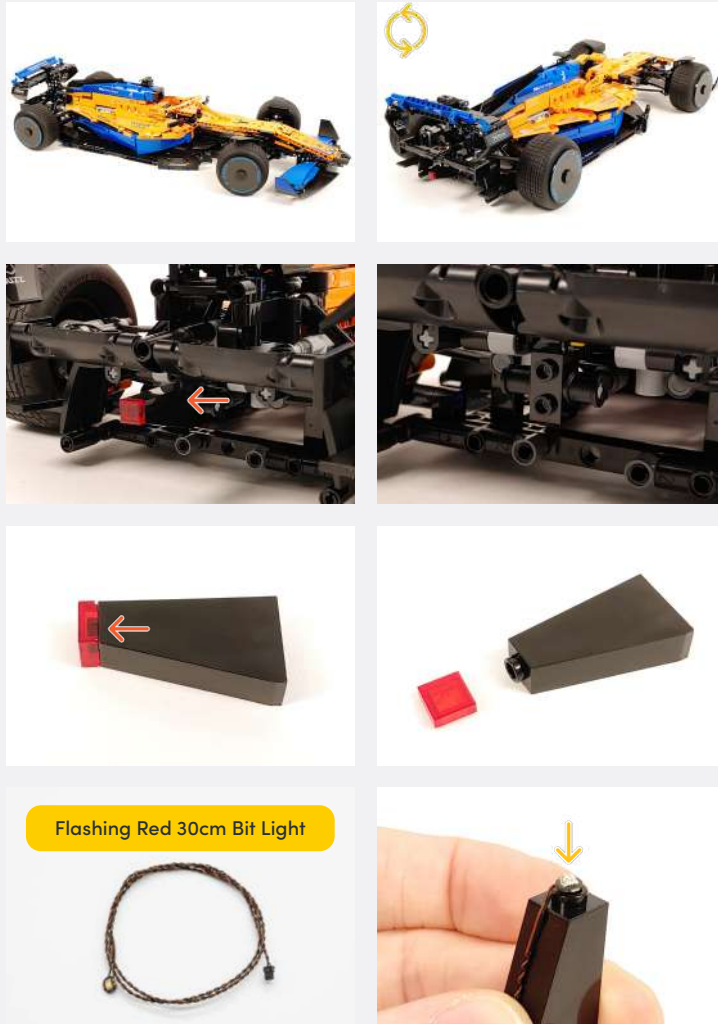




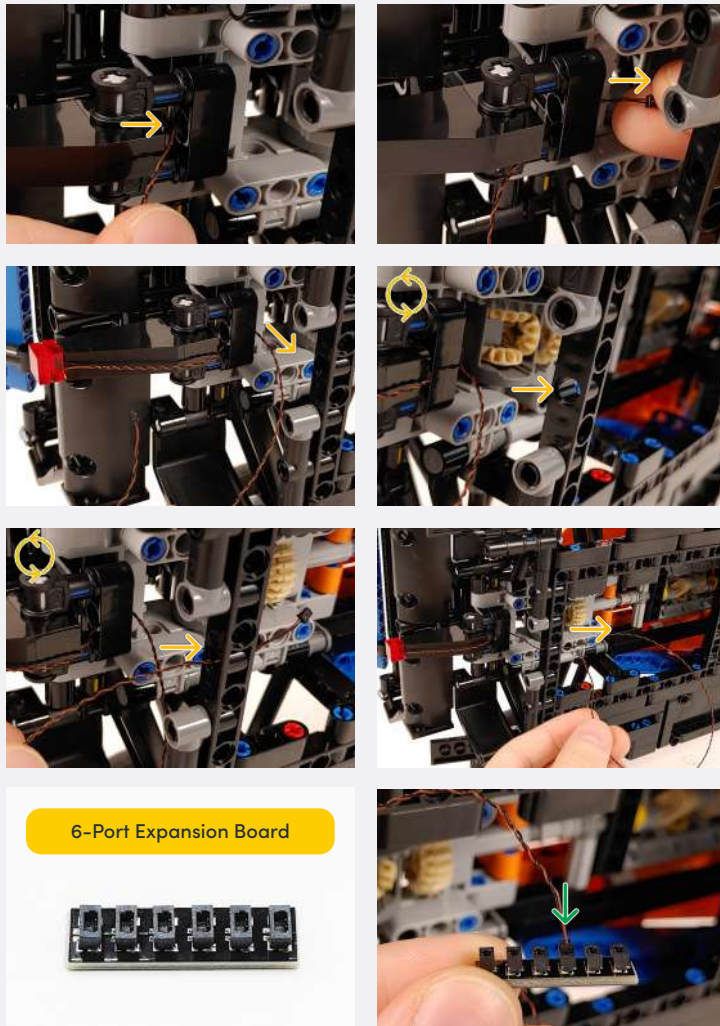


## INSTRUCTIONS

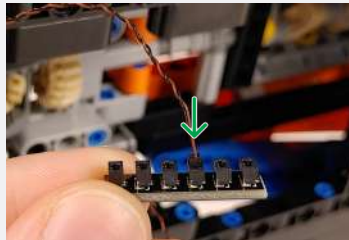
To ensure a smooth installation of your light kit, please read and follow each step carefully. If you run into any issues, please refer to the online troubleshooting guide.

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6-Port Expansion Board



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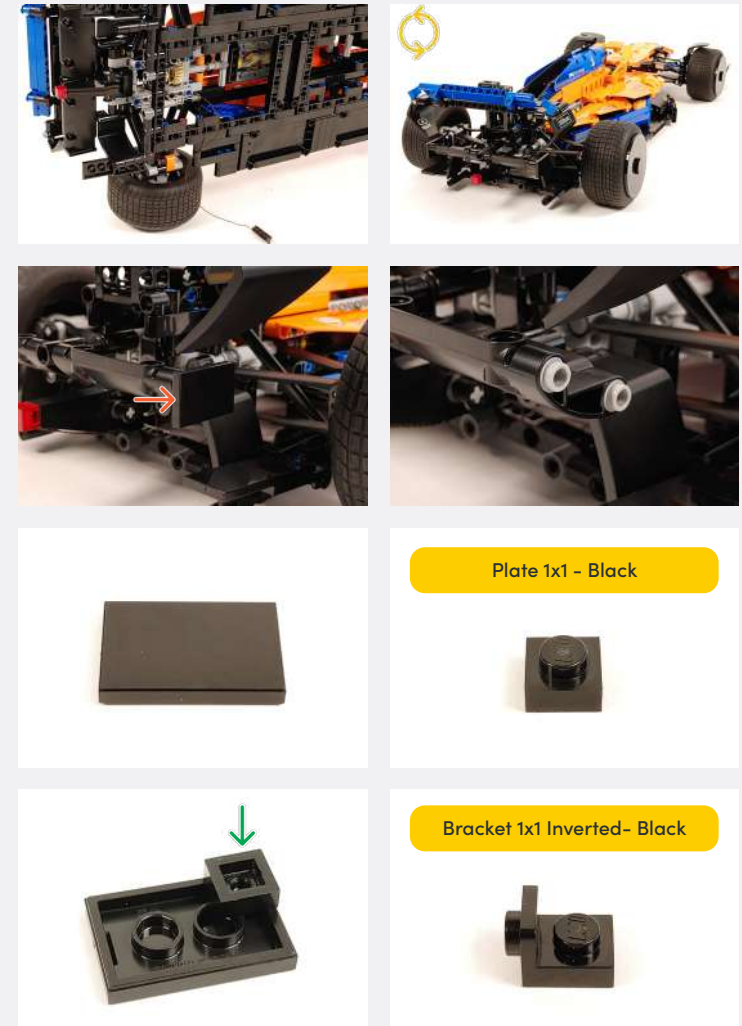


Plate 1x1 - Black



Bracket 1x1 Inverted - Black



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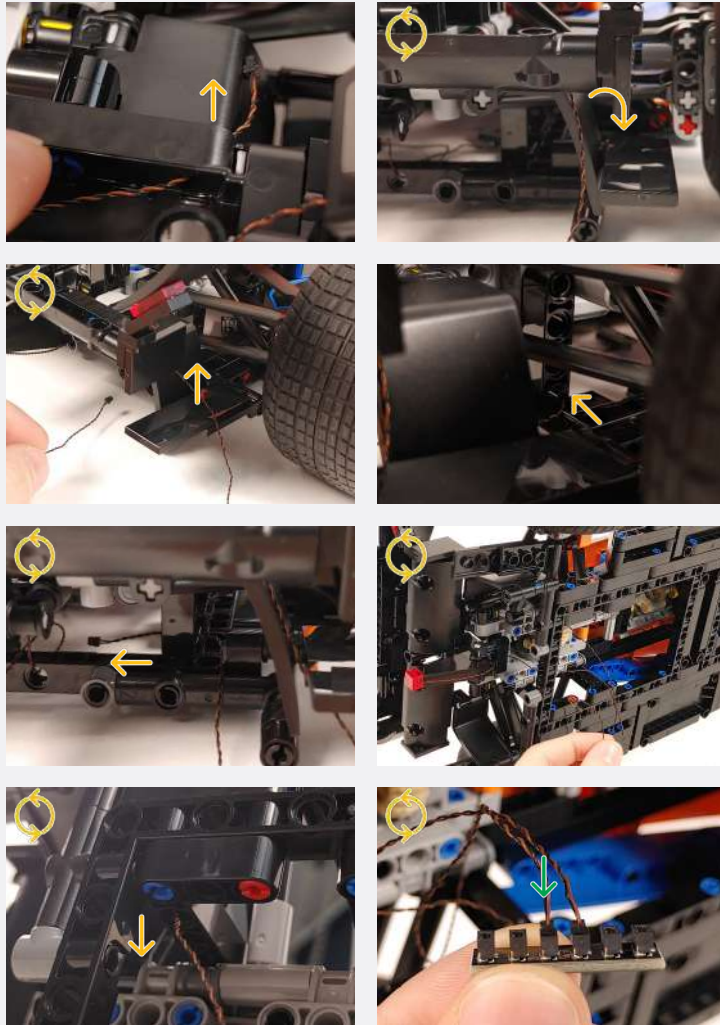
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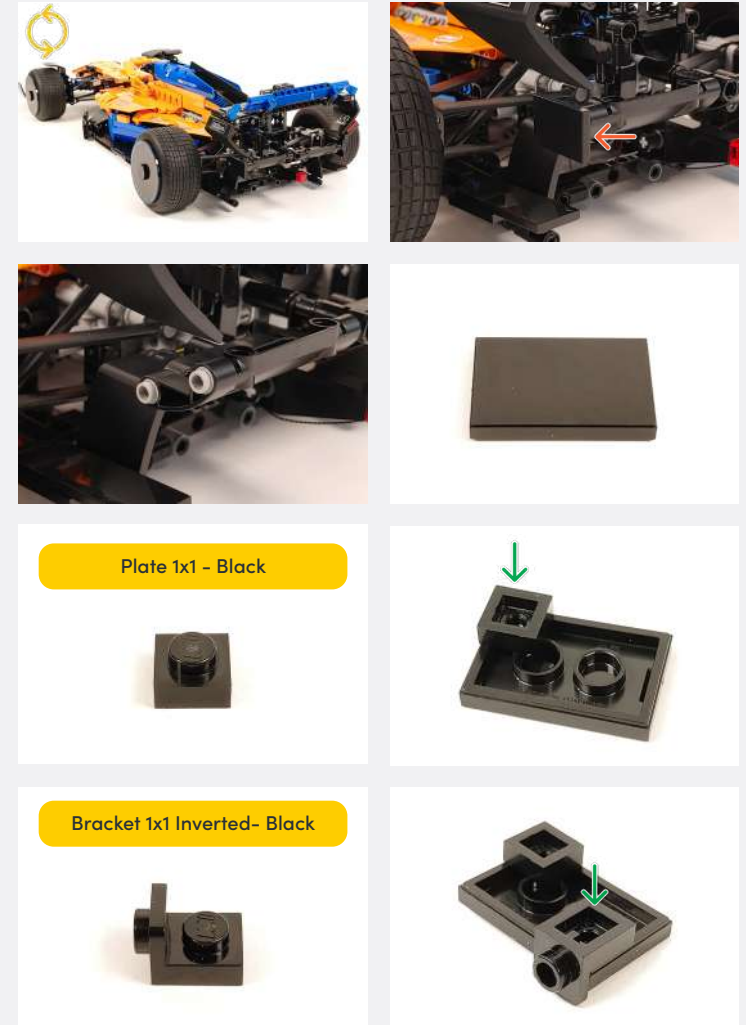
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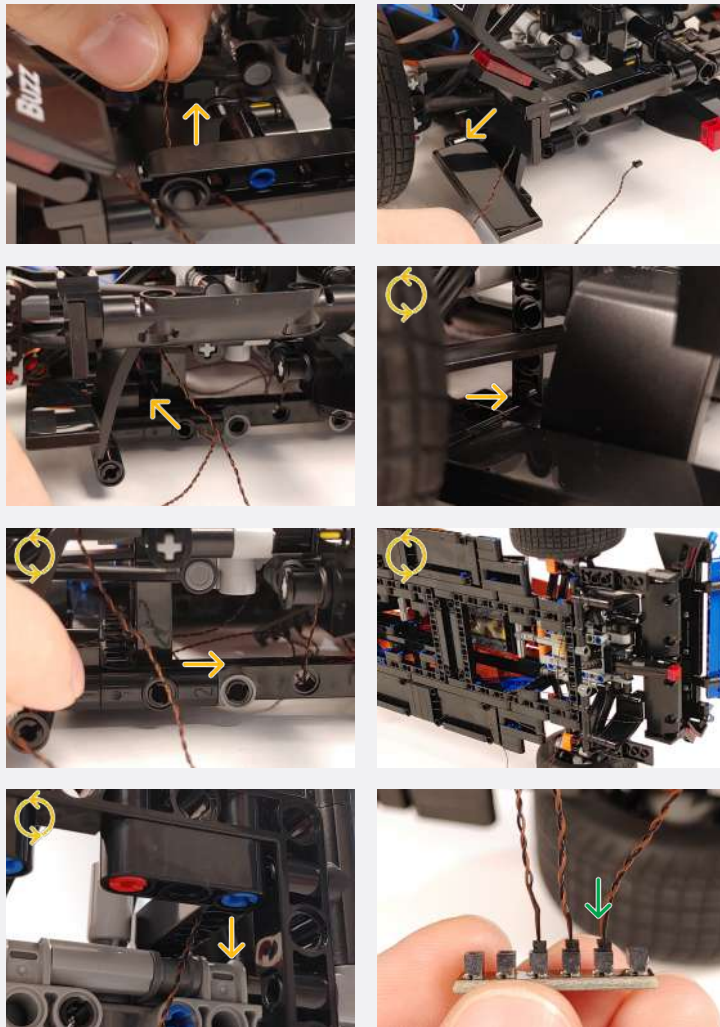
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Black Round Plate 1x1 w/ Open Stud

Blue 30cm Bit Light

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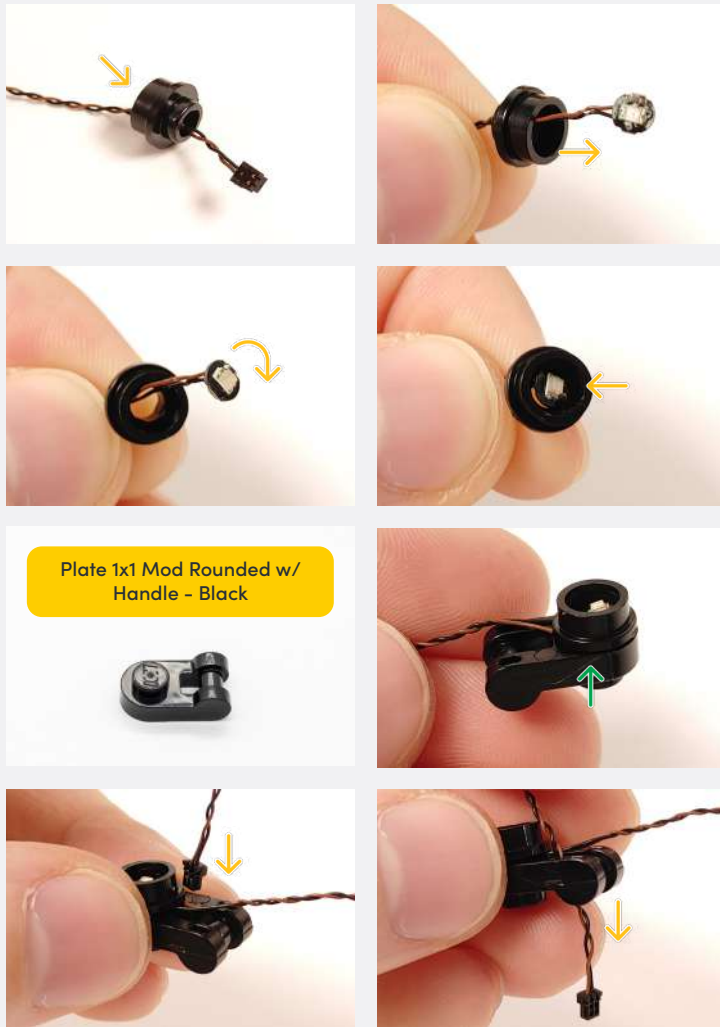
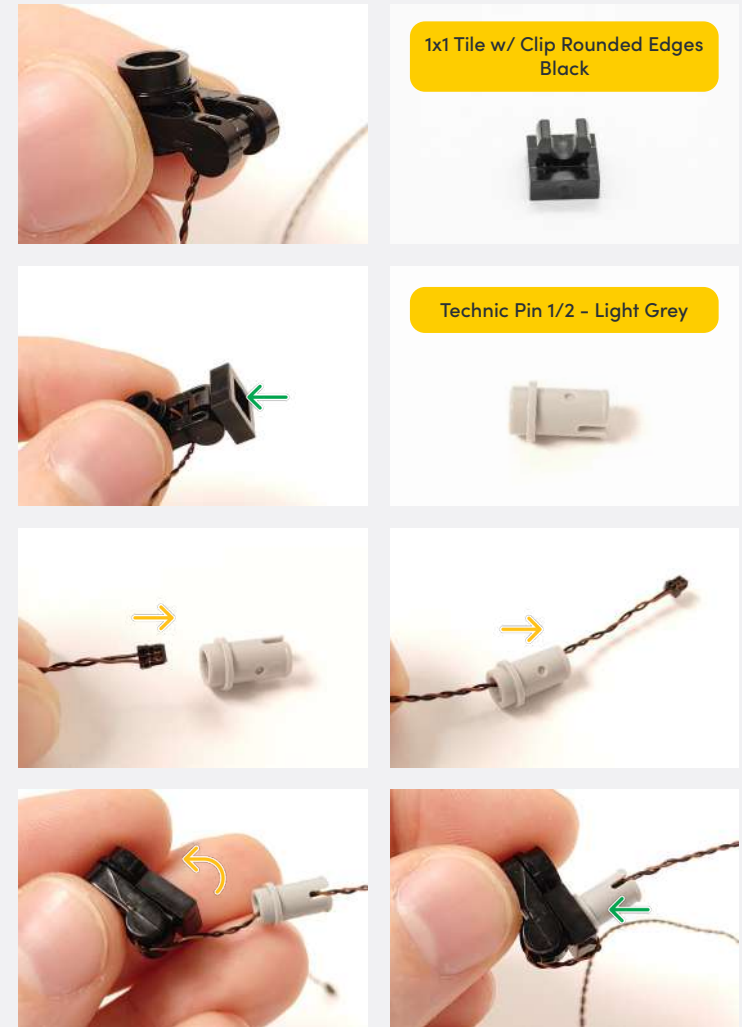


Plate 1x1 Mod Rounded w/  
Handle - Black



1x1 Tile w/ Clip Rounded Edges  
Black

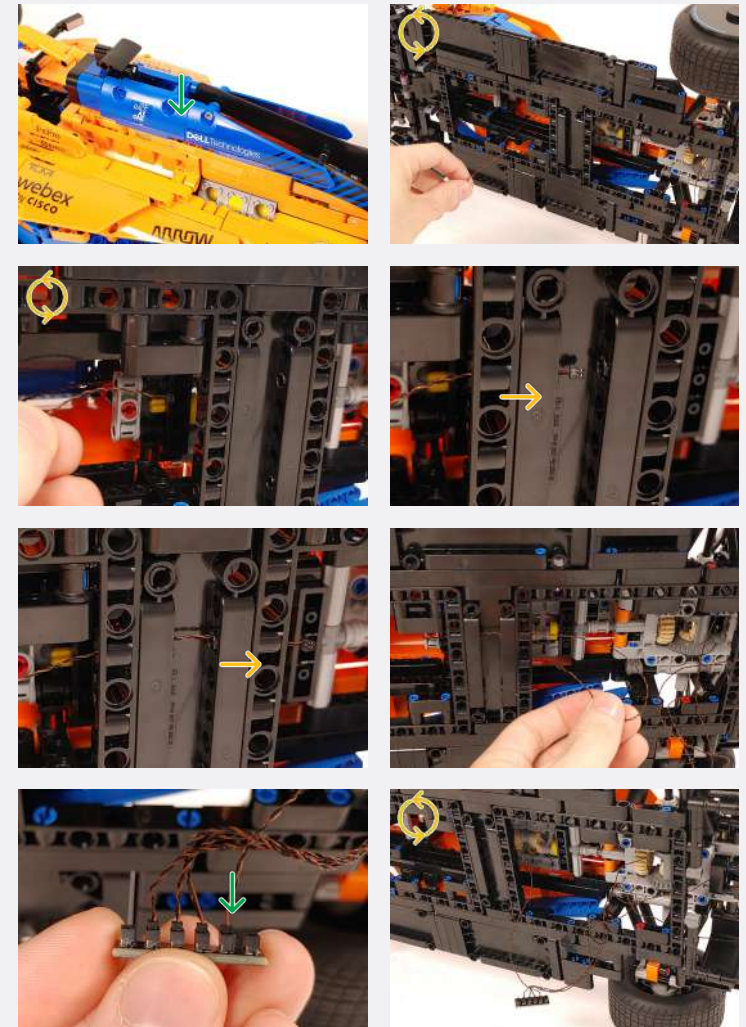
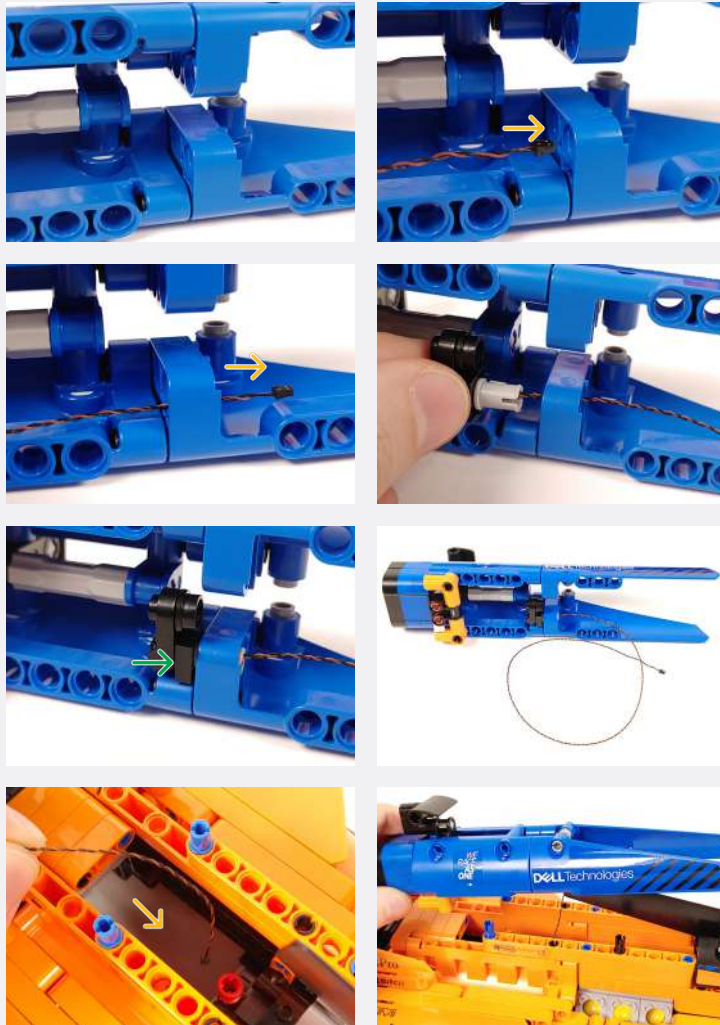
Technic Pin 1/2 - Light Grey

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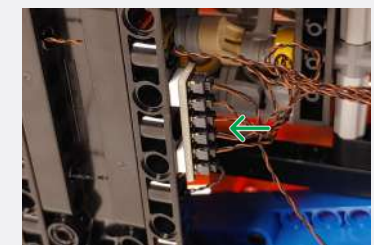
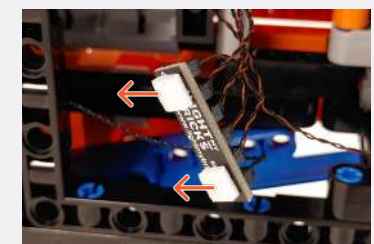
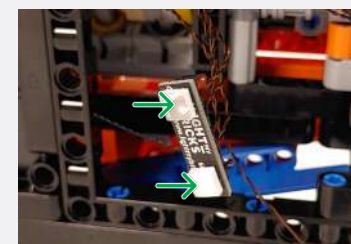
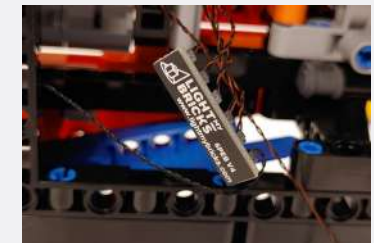
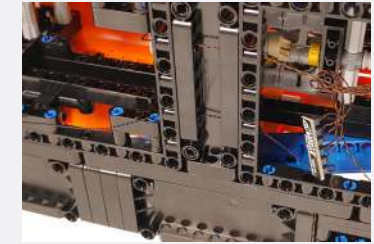
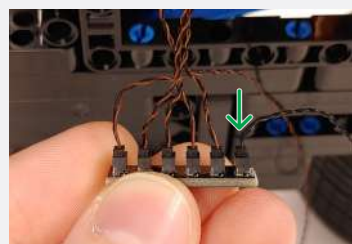
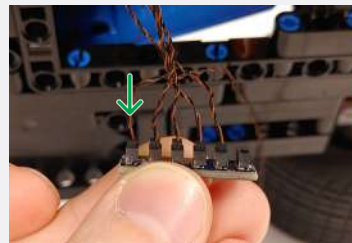
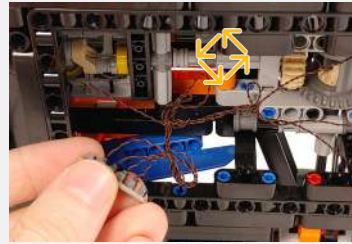
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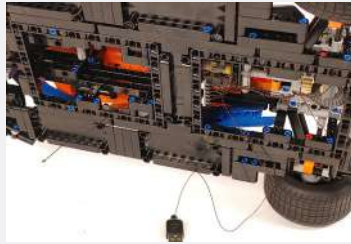


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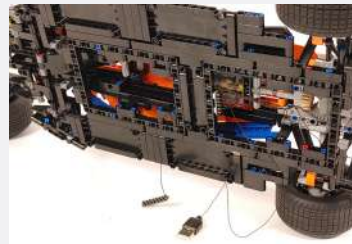
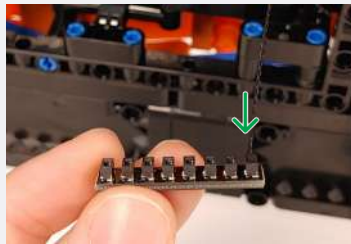
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8-Port Expansion Board



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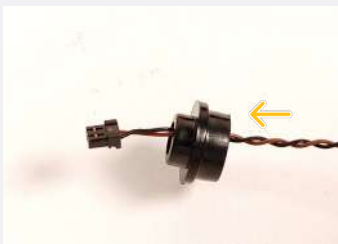
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Black Round Plate 1x1 w/ Open Stud

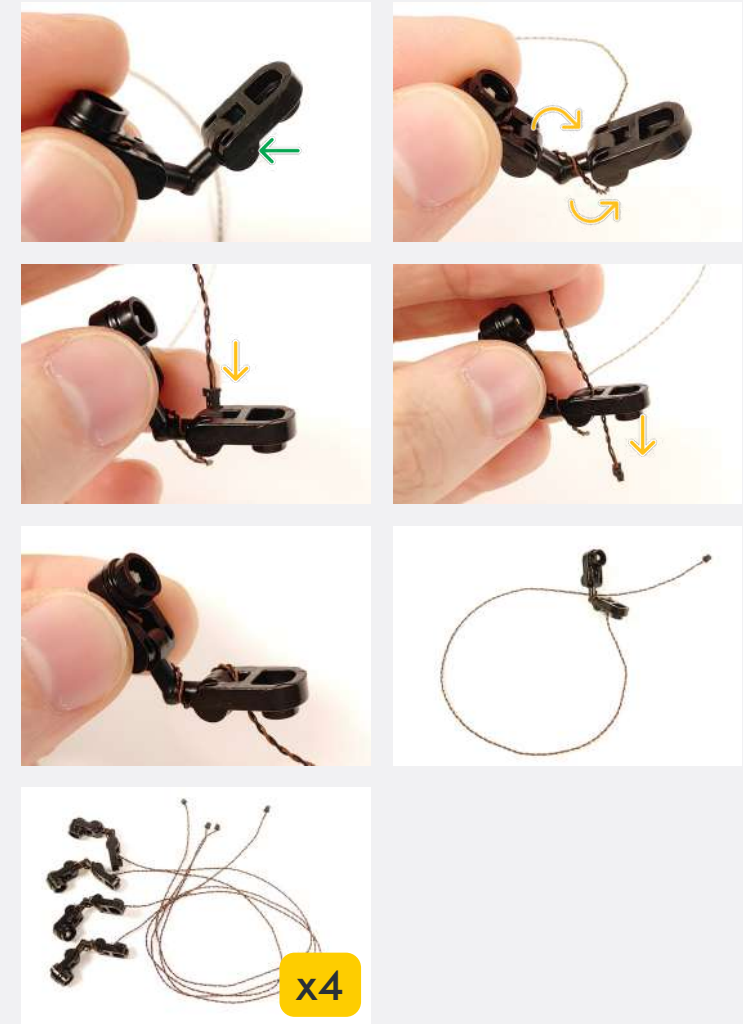
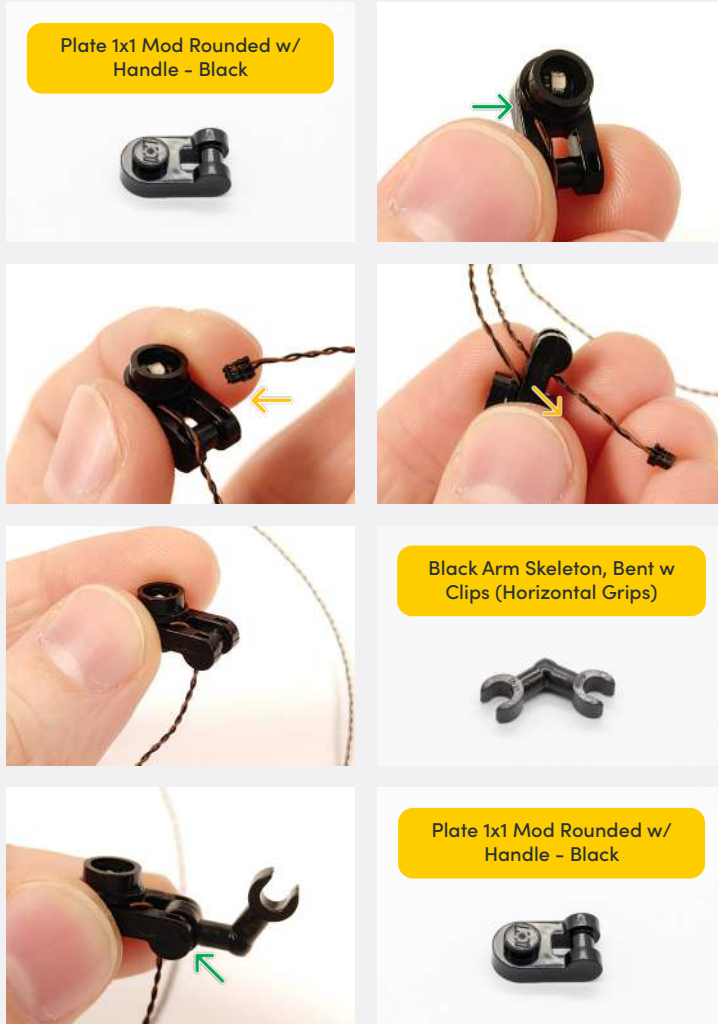


Blue 30cm Bit Light



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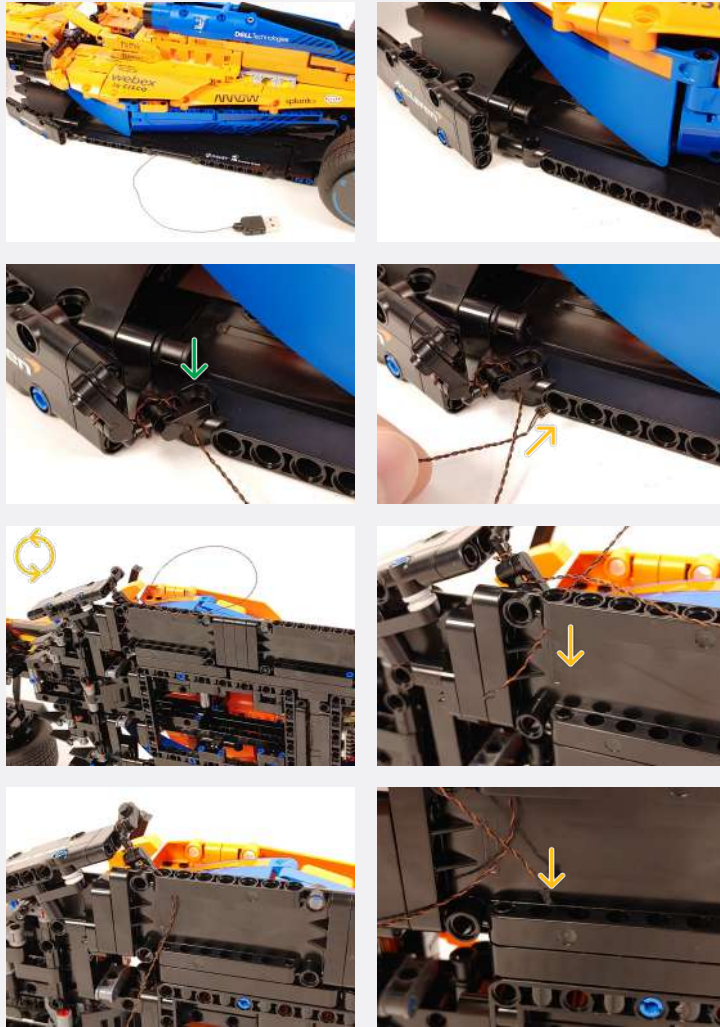
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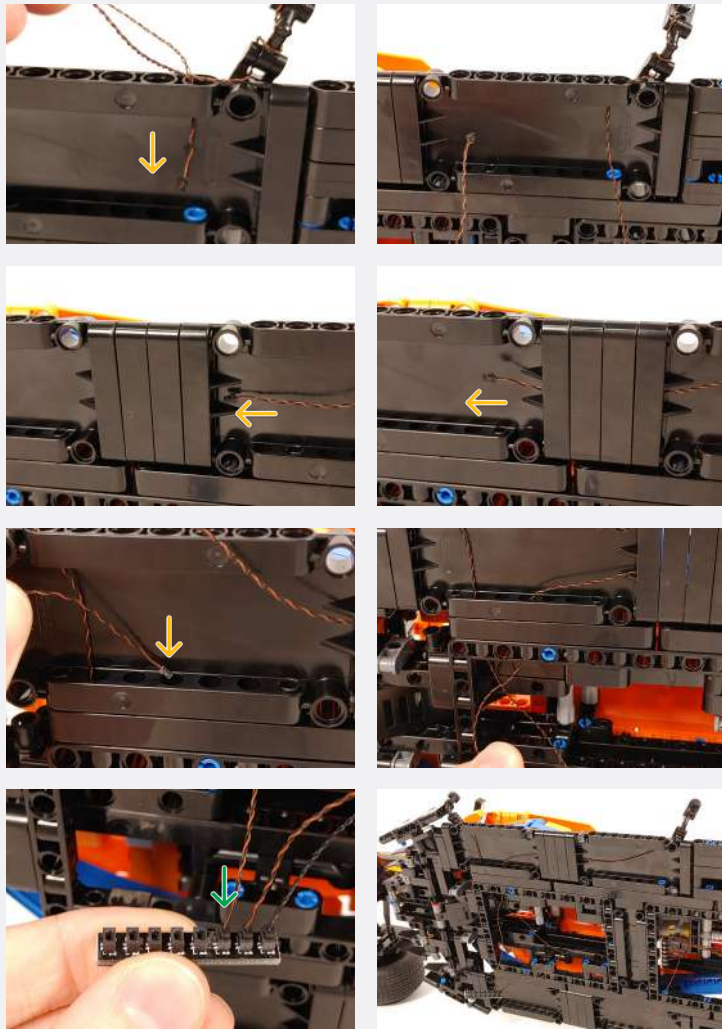
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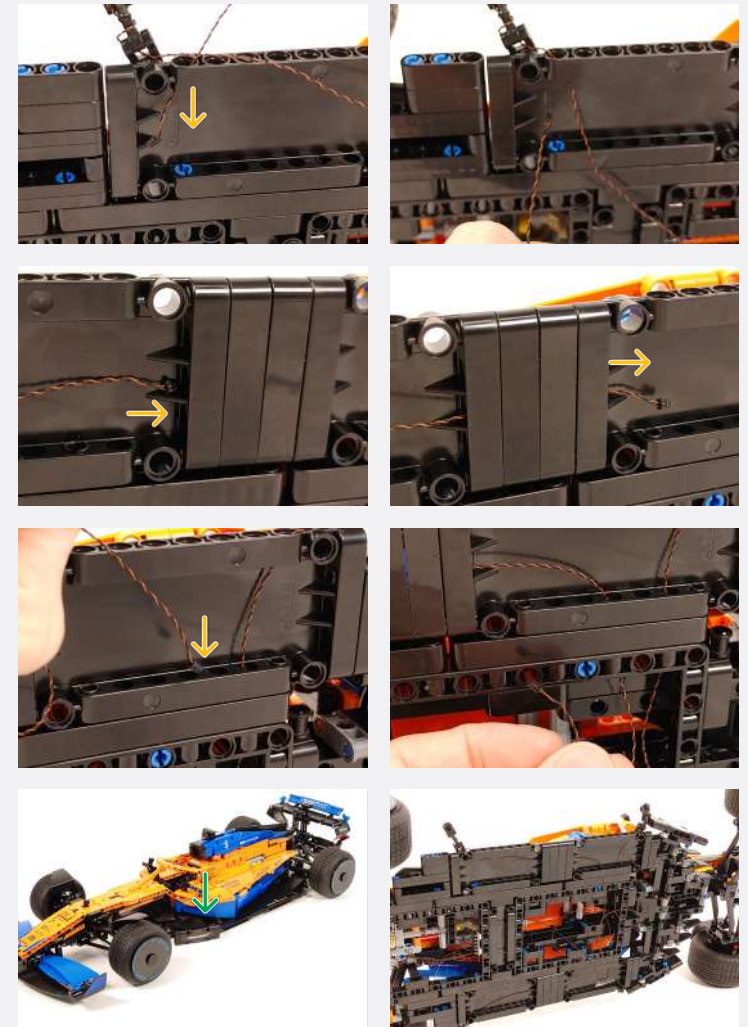
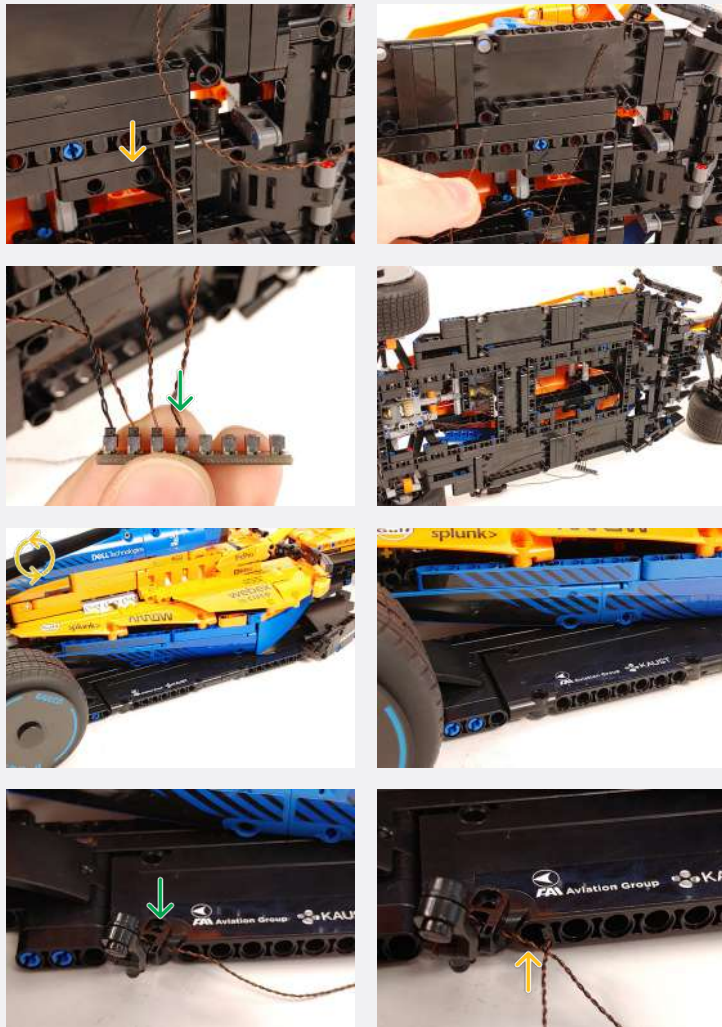


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Black Round Plate 1x1 w/ Open Stud



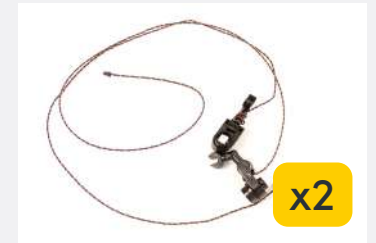
Orange Large 30cm Bit Light



Plate 1x1 Mod Rounded w/ Handle - Black



Black Arm Skeleton, Bent w Clips (Horizontal Grips)

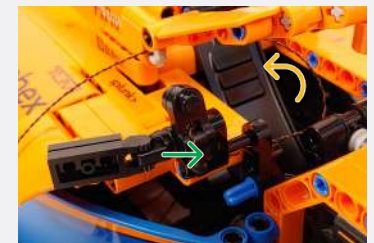
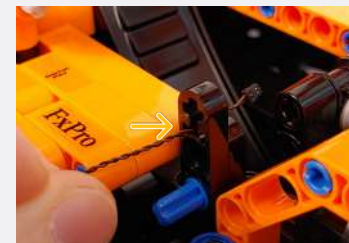


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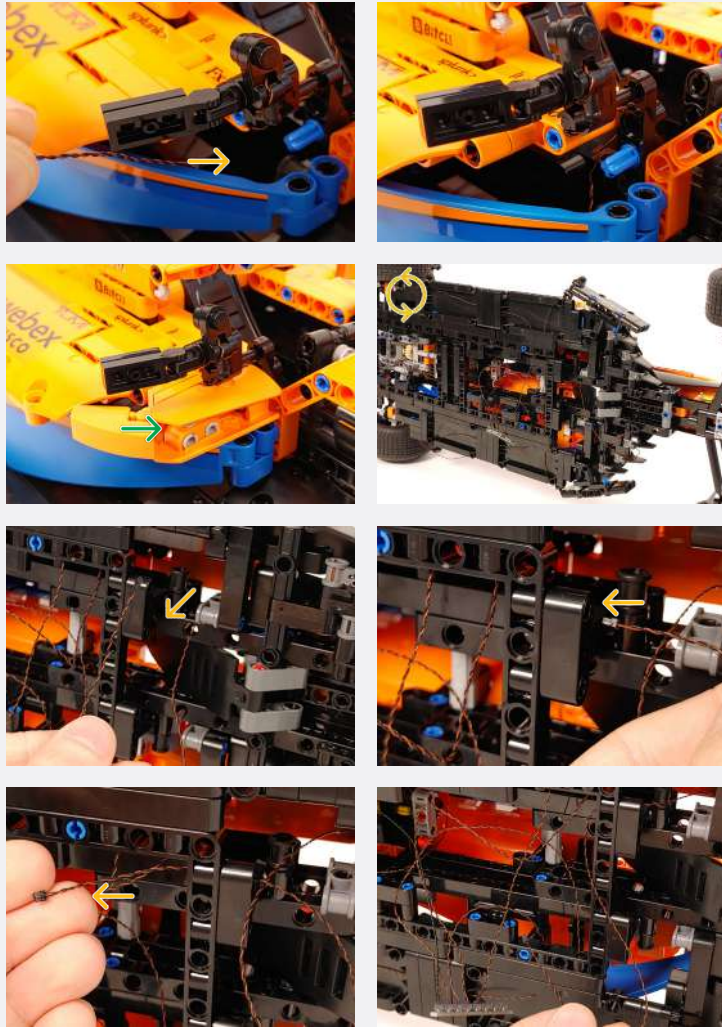
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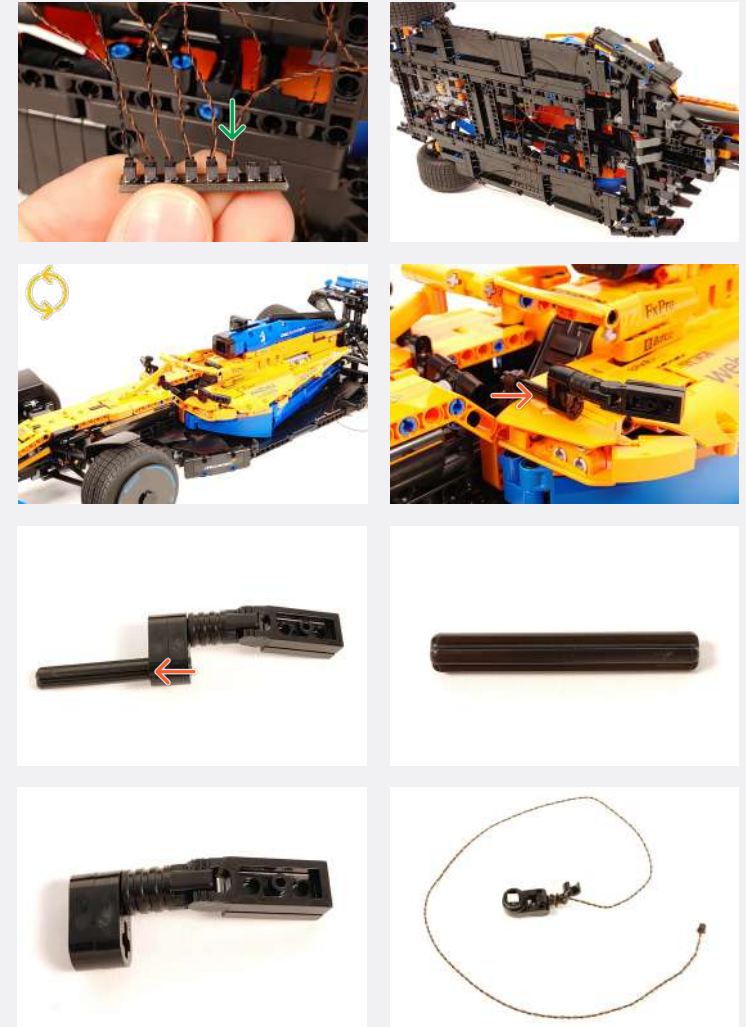
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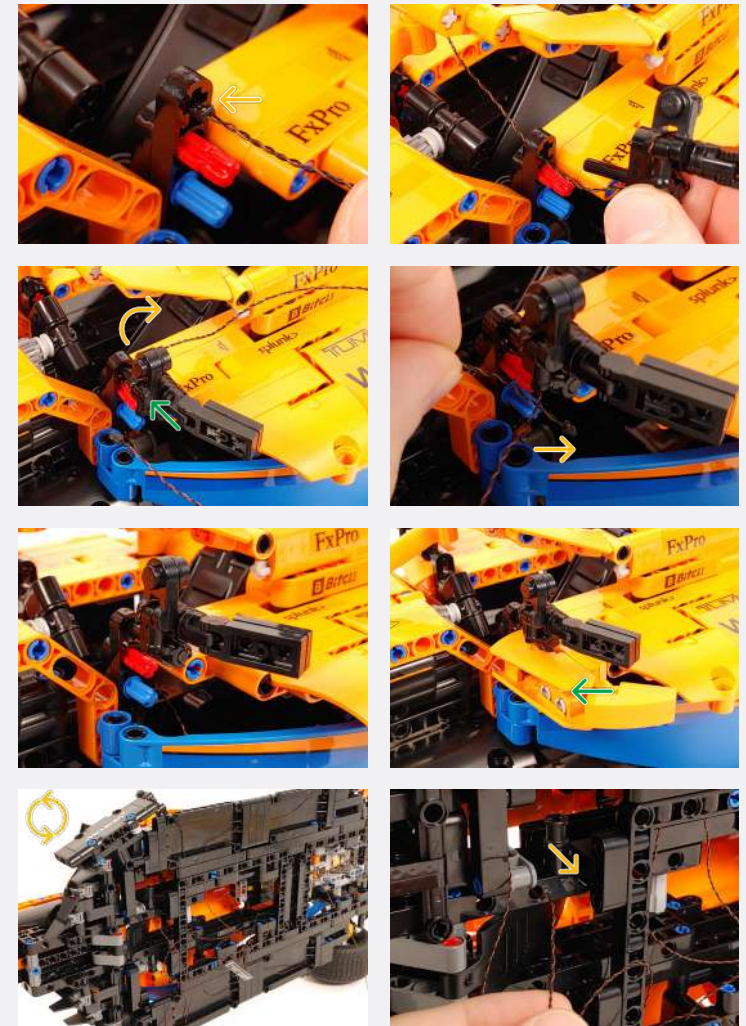
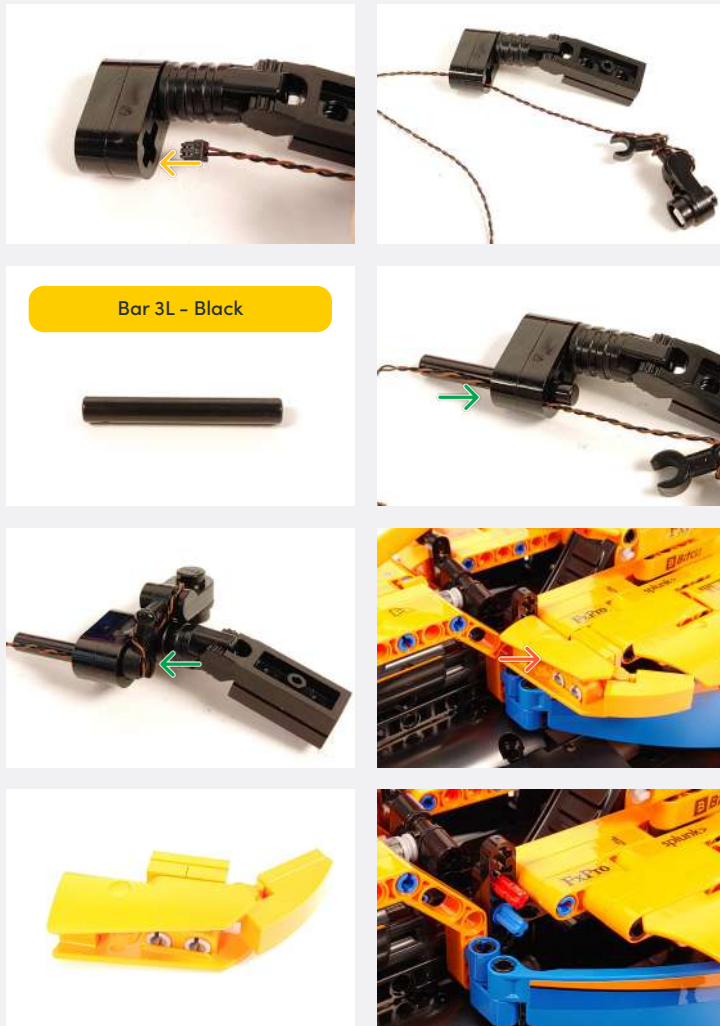


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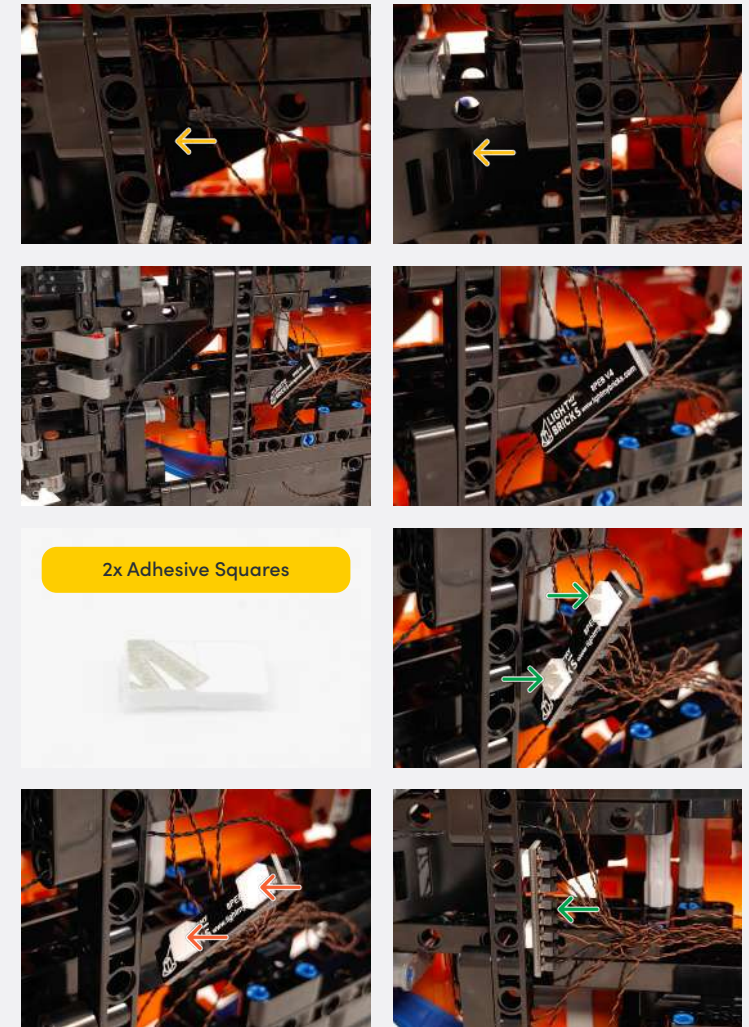
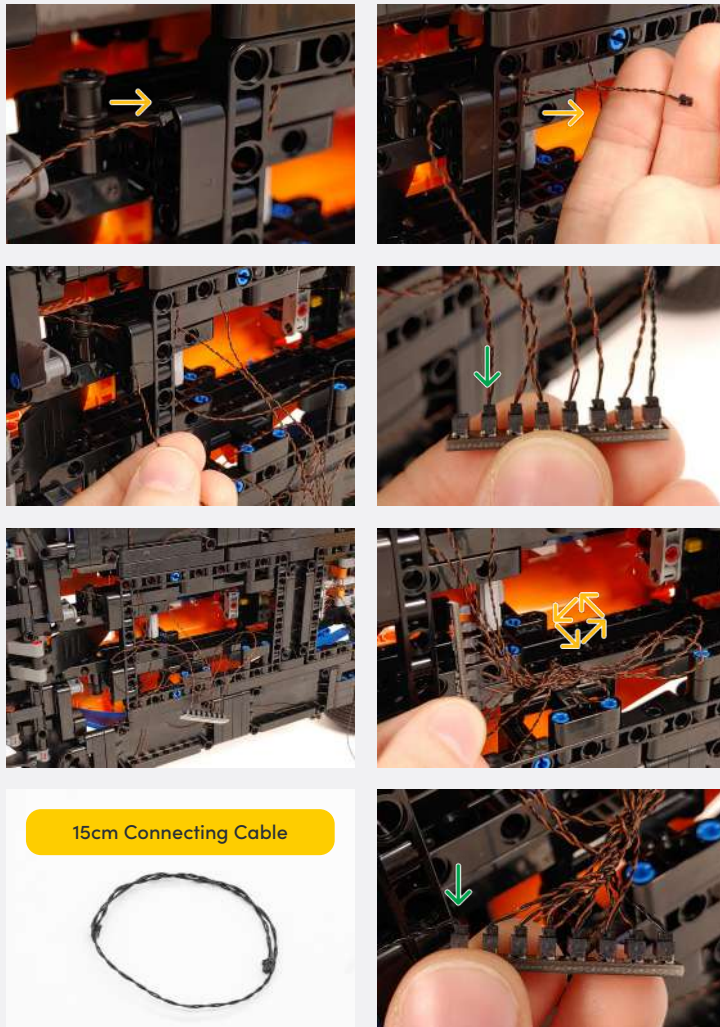
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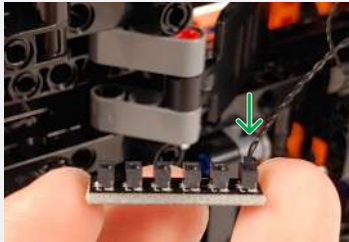
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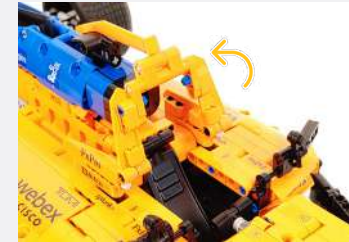


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Technic Pin 1/2 - Light Grey

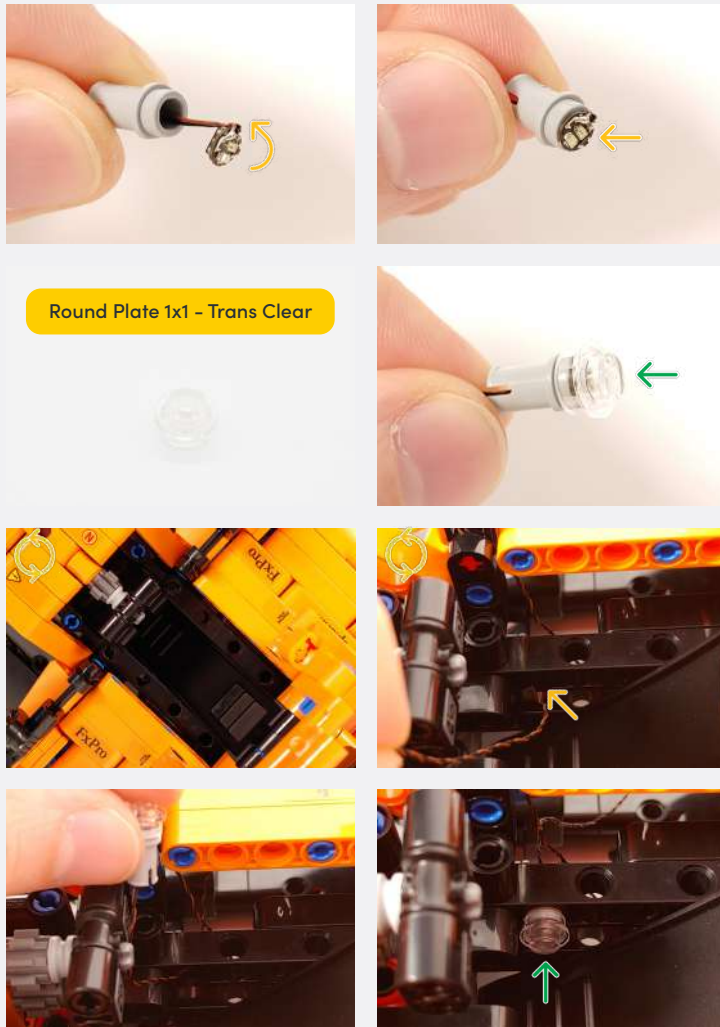


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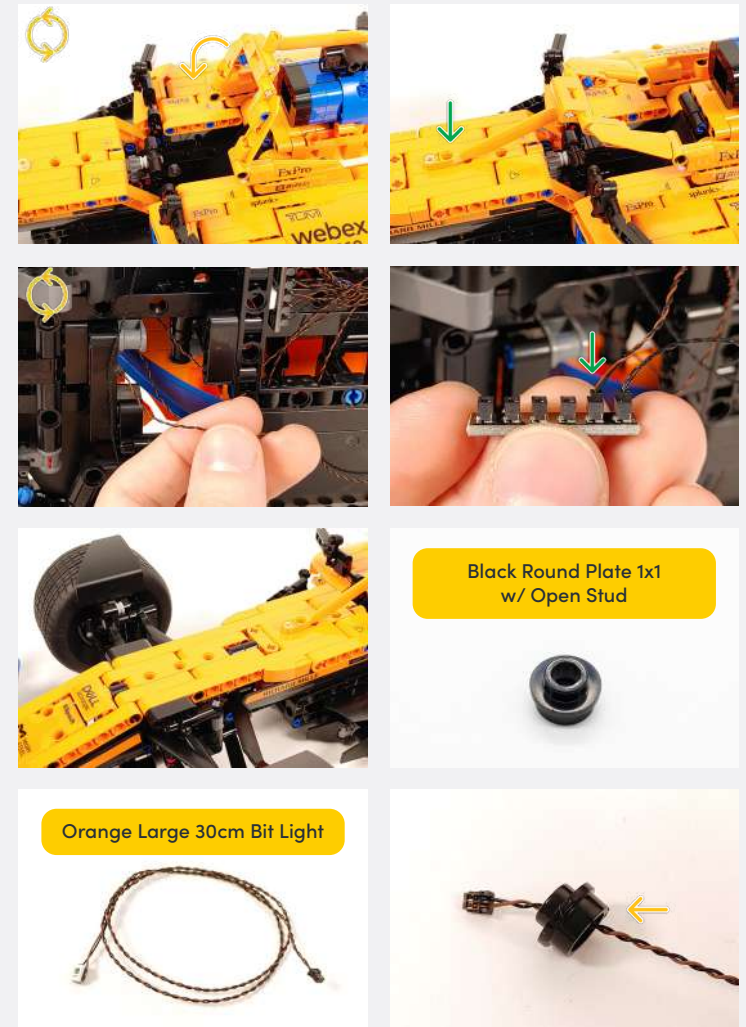


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Round Plate 1x1 - Trans Clear



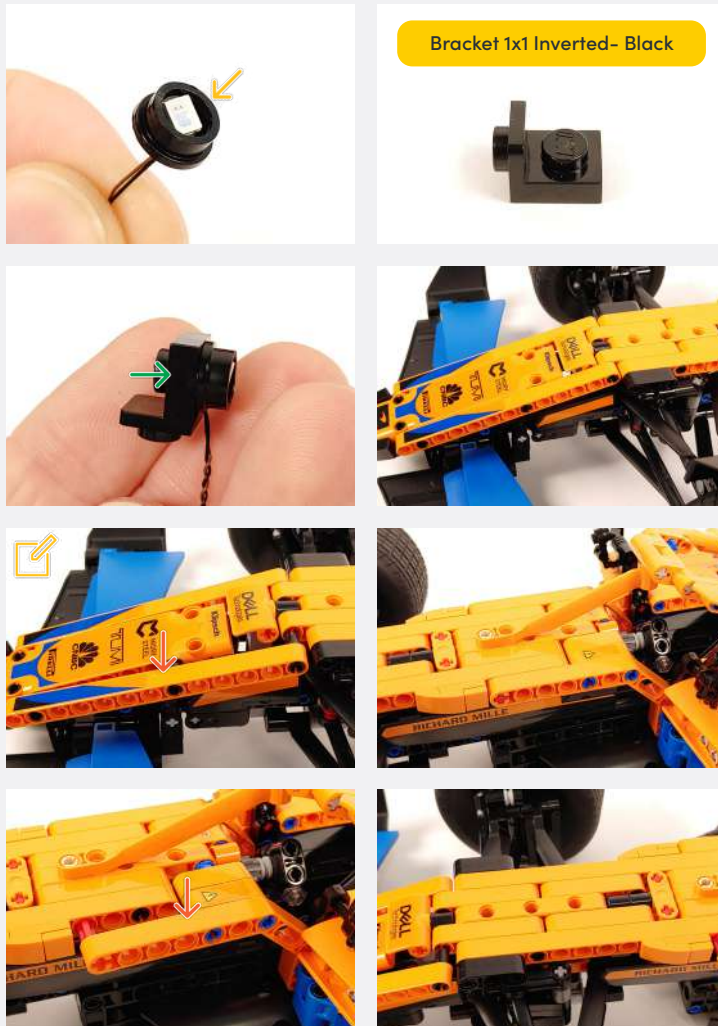
Black Round Plate 1x1 w/ Open Stud

Orange Large 30cm Bit Light

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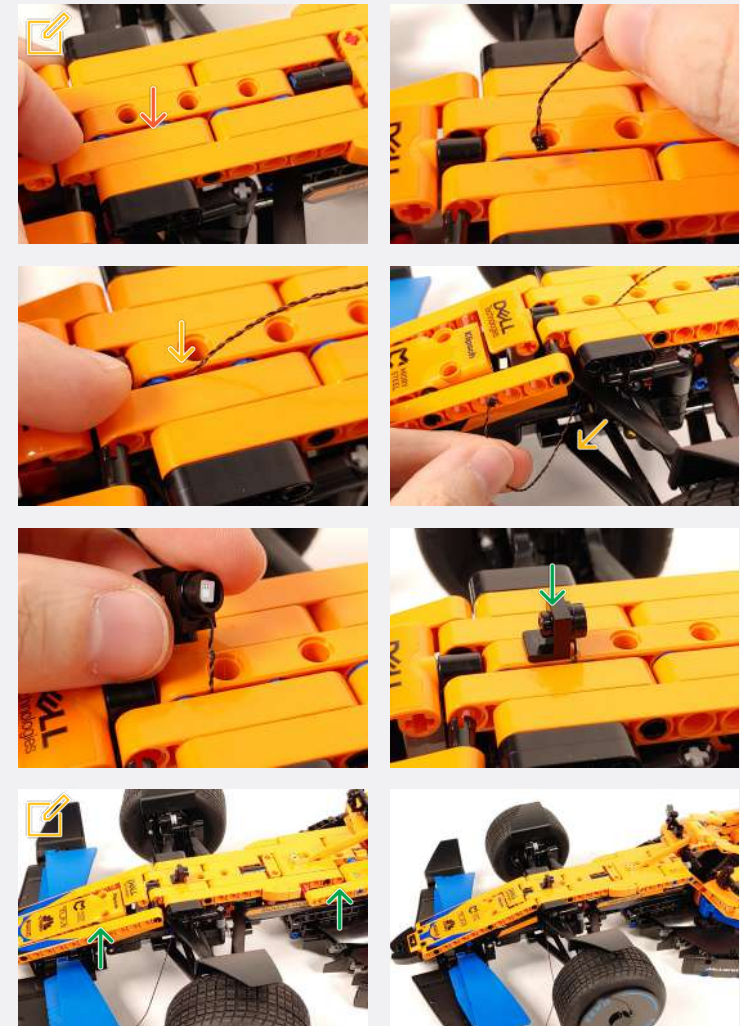




Partially disconnect the following two sections to allow you to make a small gap to thread the cable through

Bracket 1x1 Inverted- Black

Pry open the pieces enough for the cable to fit through. When putting the cable through, hold the gap open. If you're having trouble, try prying away more of orange pieces until the gap is large enough

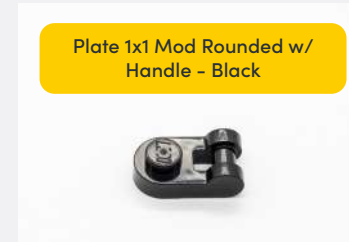
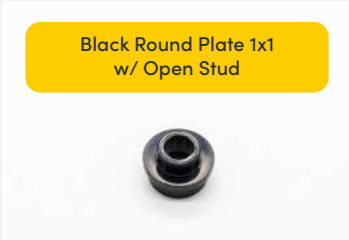


Reconnect the two sections to how they were before

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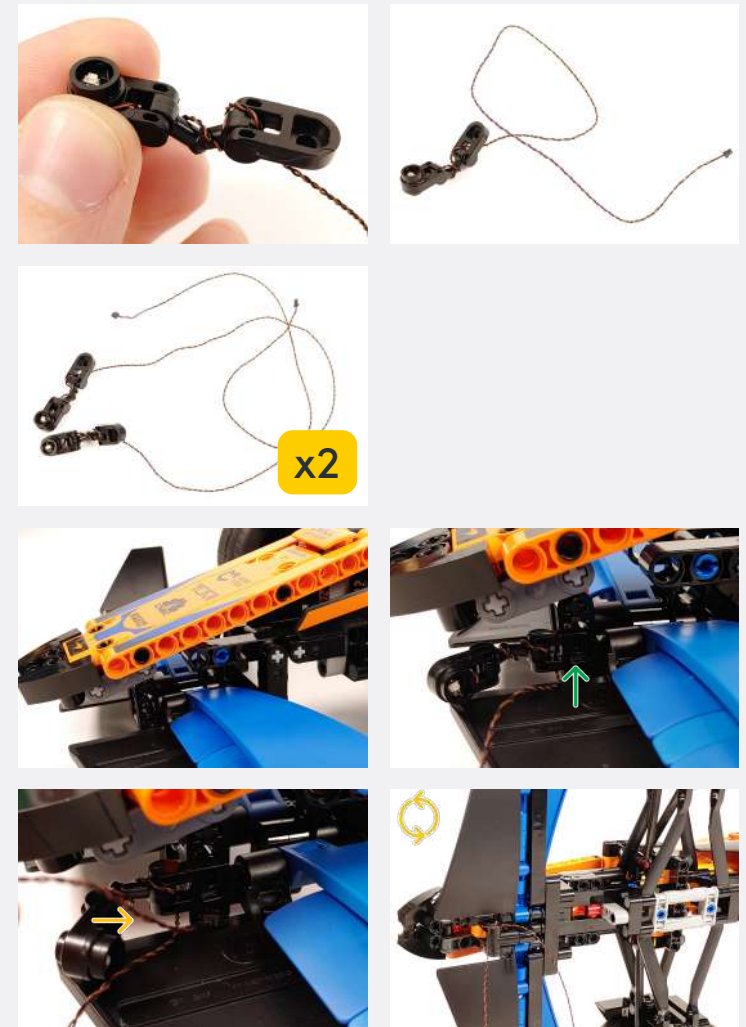
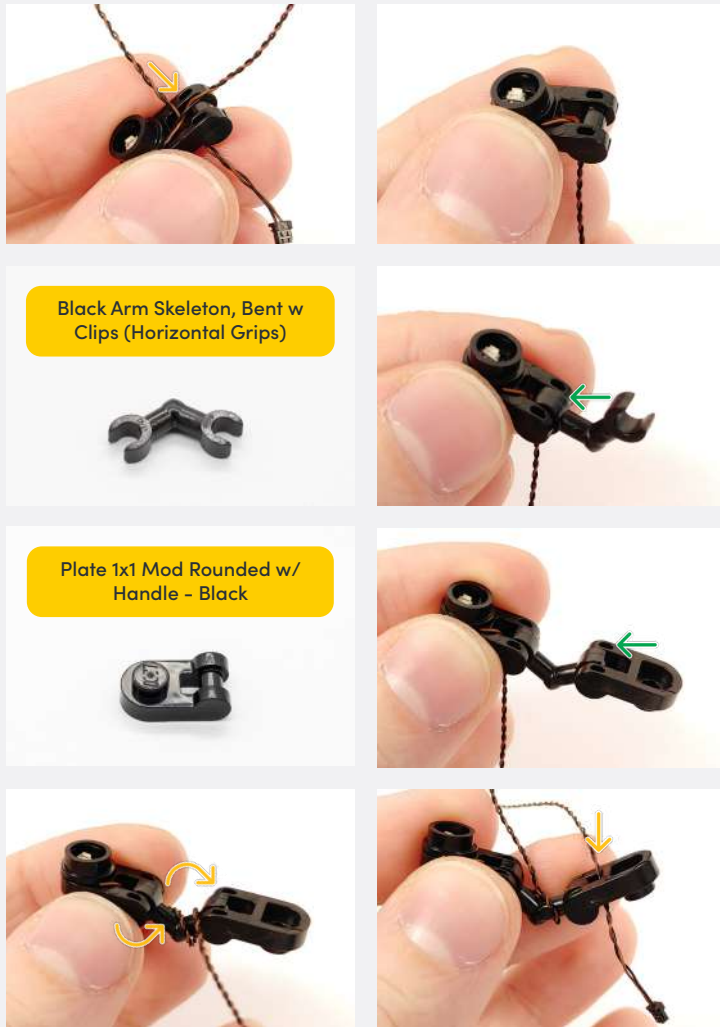


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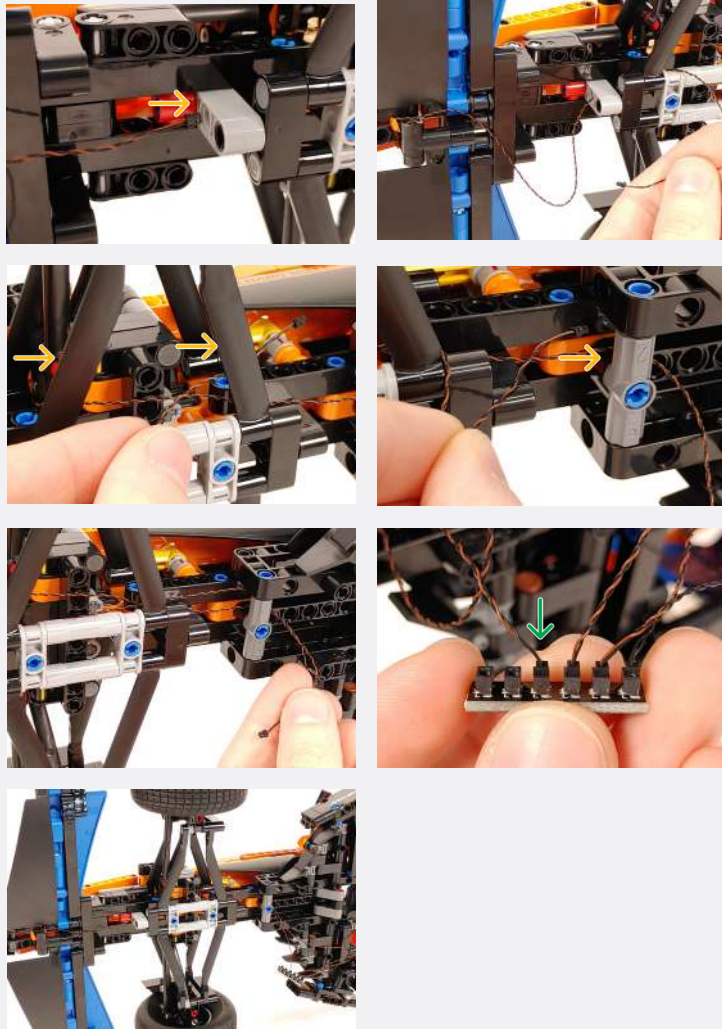
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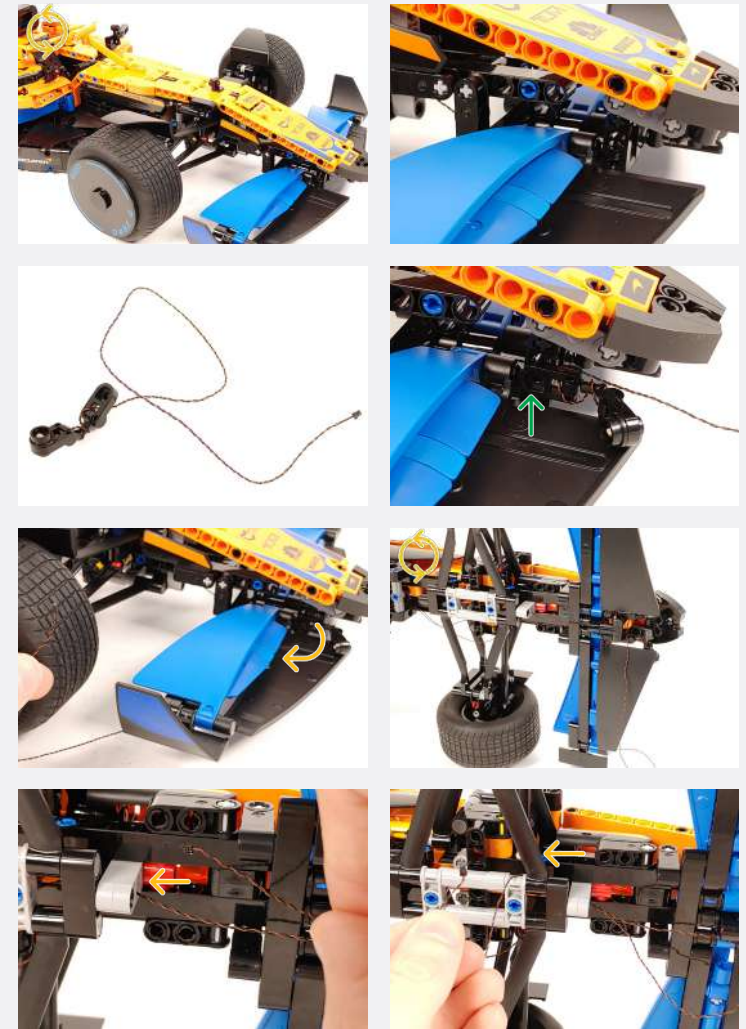


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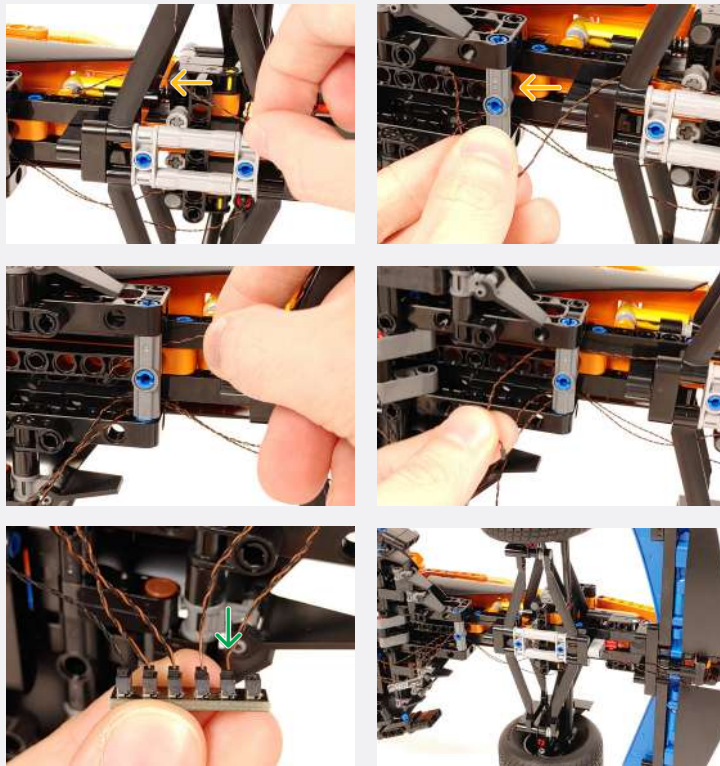
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Black Round Plate 1x1 w/ Open Stud



Orange Large 30cm Bit Light

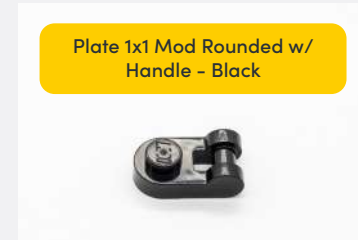
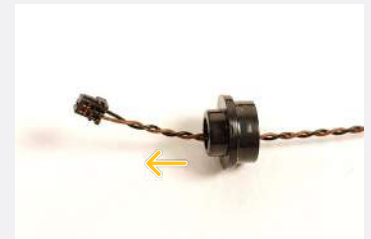
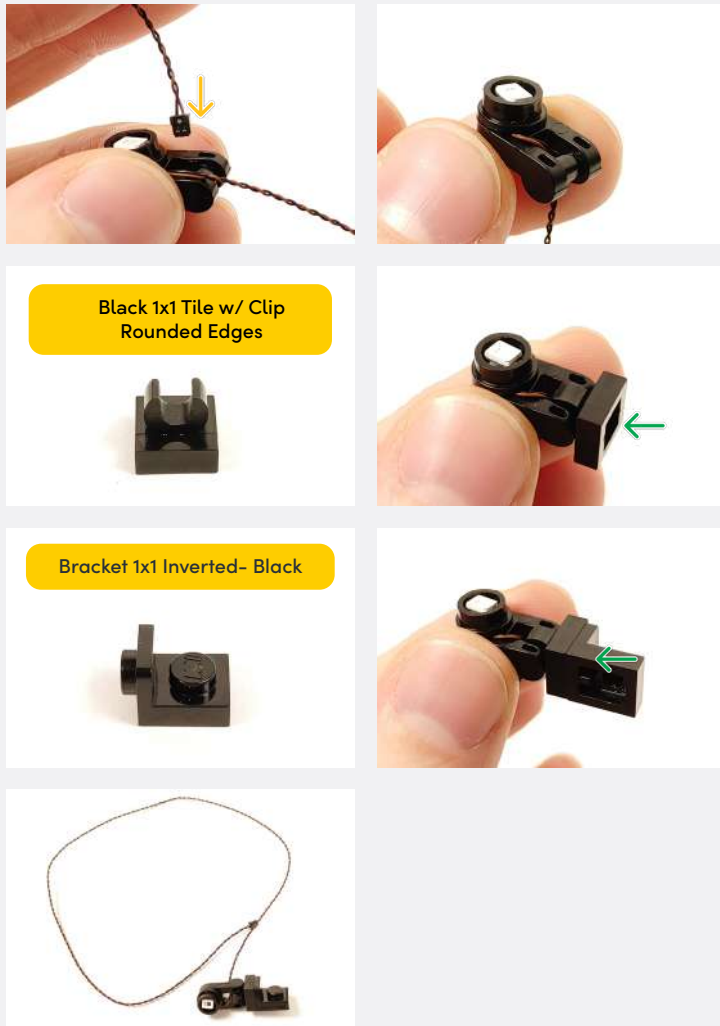


Plate 1x1 Mod Rounded w/ Handle - Black

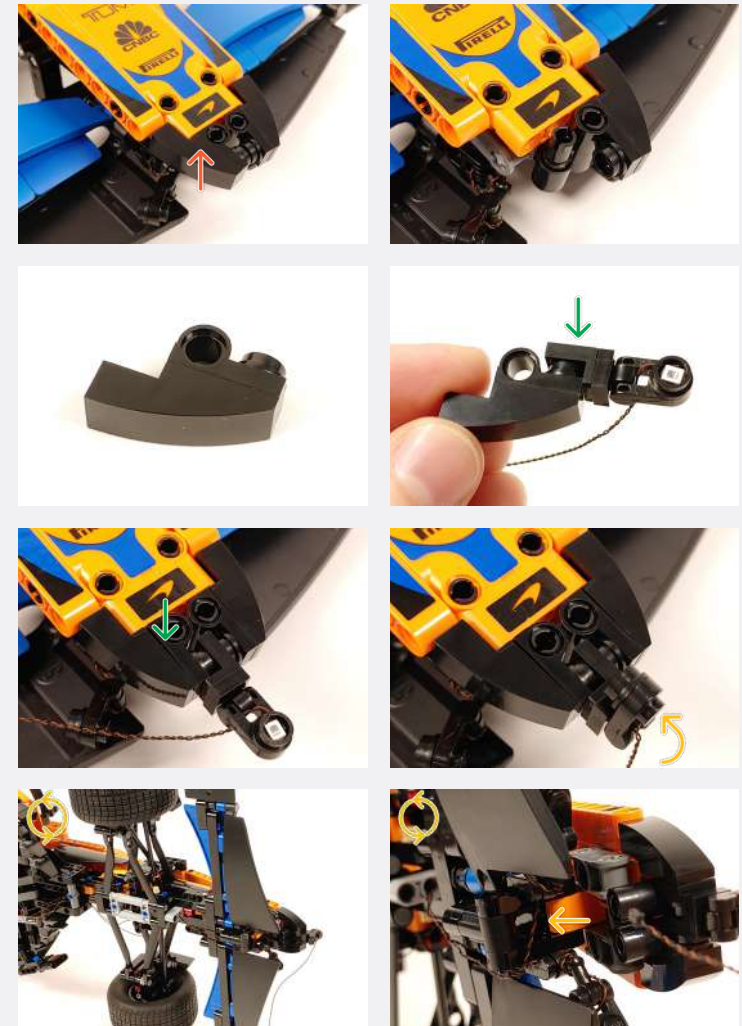


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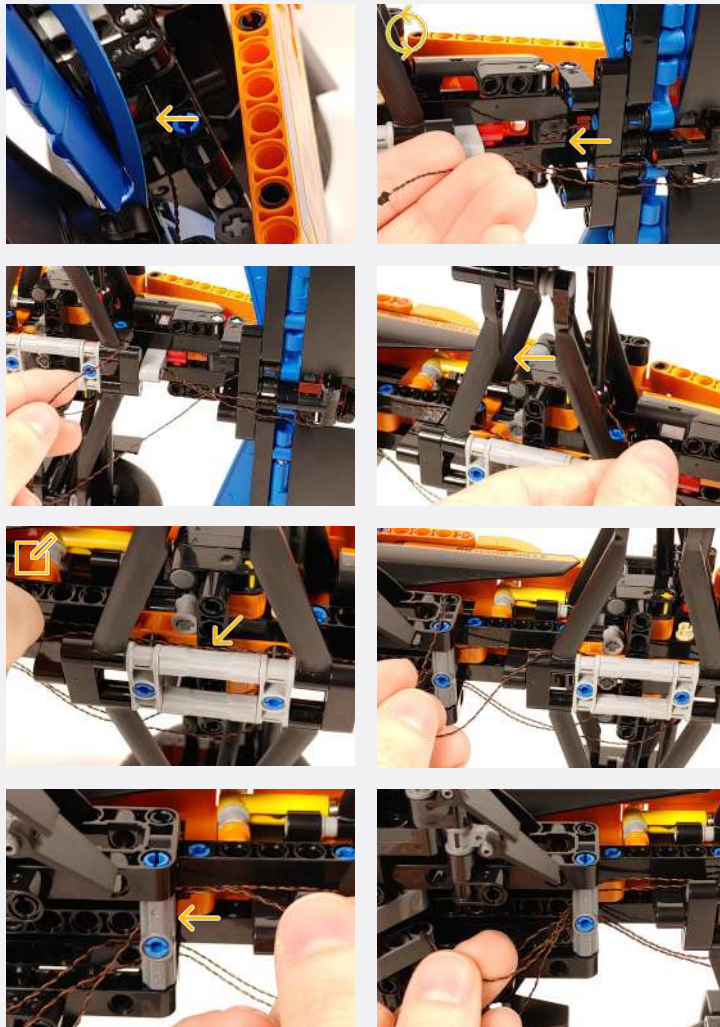


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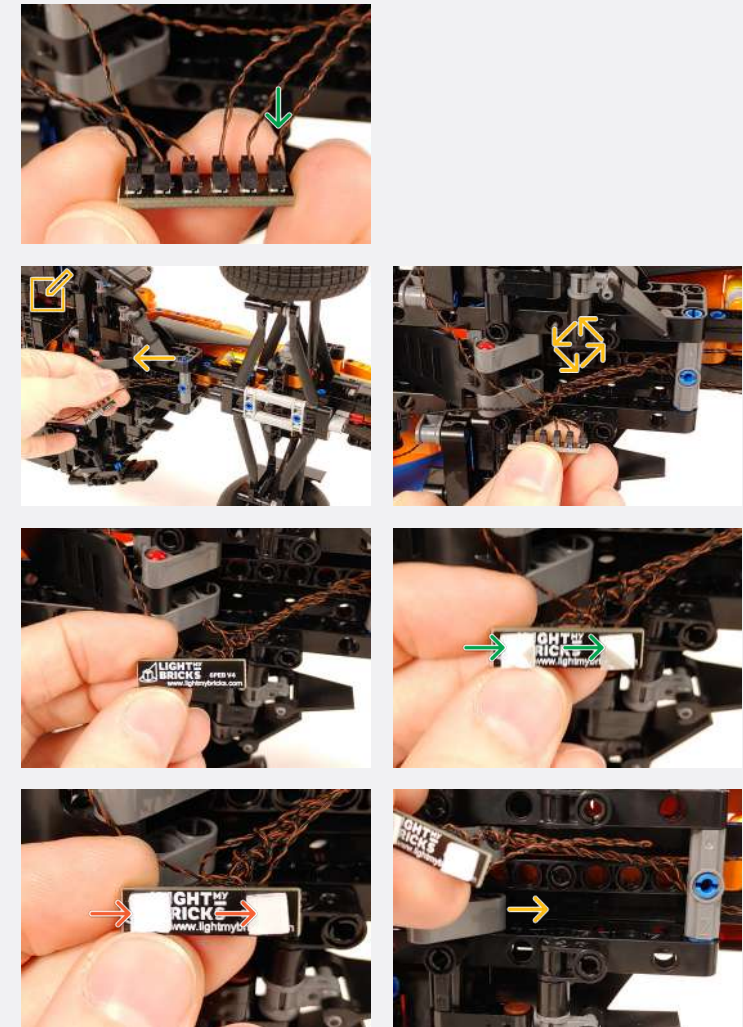
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Tuck the cable behind the light grey pieces

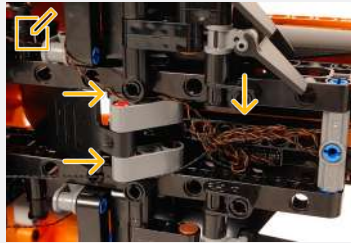
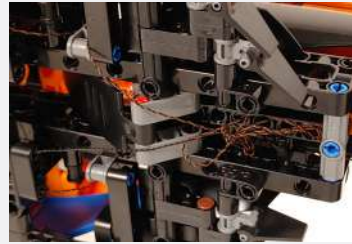
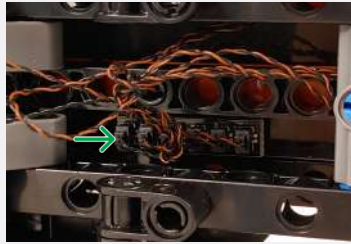
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Lightly pull the cables and twist them together



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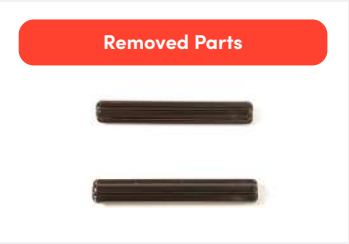
If you experience any issues with the lights not working and suspect an issue with a component, please try a different port on the expansion board to verify where the fault lies (with the light or expansion board). To correct any issues with expansion board ports, please view the section addressing expansion board issues in our troubleshooting section.



Tidy up the cables by tucking them in as much as possible

Connect the other end to a 5V USB Power Bank, 5V USB Wall Adaptor, or USB to AA Battery Pack (sold separately)

You should have these parts left over that were removed from the LEGO set



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## FINAL PRODUCT

This finally completes installation of the Light My Bricks  
LEGO McLaren Formula 1 Race Car 42141 Light Kit.





## TROUBLESHOOTING

Light My Bricks lighting kits contain individual components that are very small and can be easily damaged if not handled correctly.

To prevent unnecessary damage to components, we highly recommend that the User Guide section, **“Important things to note”** is read carefully. Follow the handling procedures in the User Guide to help prevent faults and damages to your Light My Bricks components.

If you are experiencing issues with your Light My Bricks set, watch our troubleshooting video [here](#) or read on for a list of common causes to help you troubleshoot.



## Troubleshooting

**Firstly, ensure that the batteries have power using a battery charge gauge.**

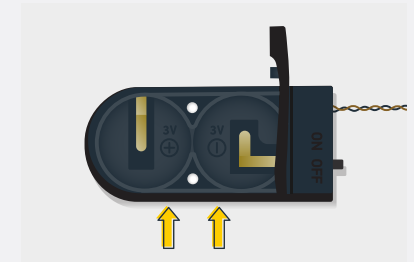
**If the batteries have no power, replace the batteries.**

**If the batteries still have power, check to see if the batteries have been inserted correctly into the battery pack.**

### Check For CR2032 Batteries Using The Flat Battery Pack

Inside the battery pack is a symbol indicating which side the (round) CR2032 battery should be inserted. Check that the “+” side of the battery pack has the battery with the “+” symbol facing downwards.

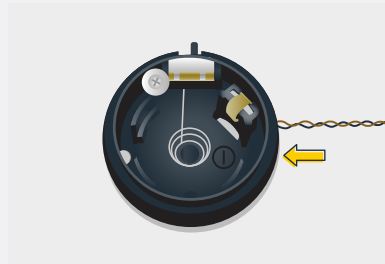
On the opposite side, the “-” side of the battery pack should have the battery flipped upside down, that is the “+” symbol facing upwards.



## Troubleshooting

### Check For Cr2032 Batteries Using The Round Battery Pack

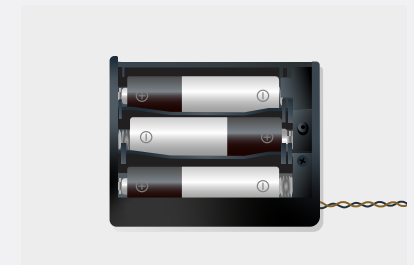
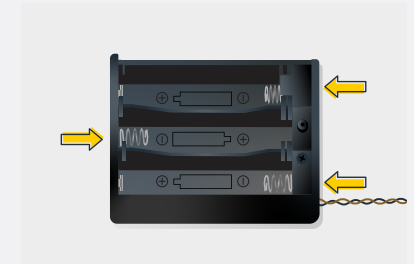
Inside the battery pack is a symbol indicating which side the (round) CR2032 battery should be inserted. In this case, for the stacked battery pack, ensure that BOTH batteries have the “+” symbol facing upwards.



### Check for AA batteries using the AA battery pack

Inside the battery pack are symbols indicating which direction the AA battery should be inserted. The flat side of the battery should be paired with the spring side of the battery pack.

If the batteries have been installed correctly and your kit still isn't operating correctly, the next step is to check the wiring.



## Troubleshooting

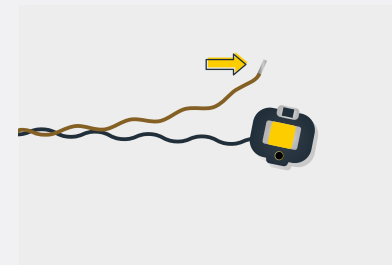
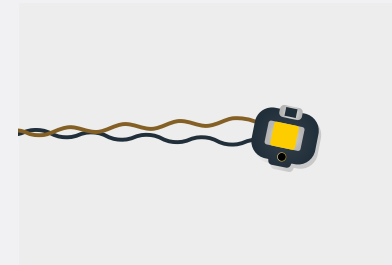
### Check Your Wires

In order for Light My Bricks components to fit in between and underneath LEGO® bricks, the components need to be very small. Due to this nature, Light My Bricks components can be easily damaged when not handled correctly.

Be careful when removing unpacked components out of the packaging and ensure not to forcibly pull at the wires as this can damage the soldering that attach the wires to the LEDs.

If the wiring is detached from the LED itself, the light will not operate.

When connecting lights to your LEGO set, check that there are no pinched wires underneath or in between bricks and plates. When the wires are pinched and the exposed wires are touching each other, this can cause a crosswire and the lights to not function correctly.





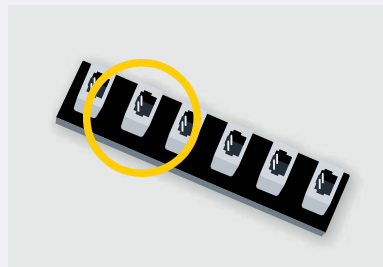
## Troubleshooting

### Check Your Expansion Board Ports/ Strip Light Ports / Effects Board Ports

It is important to note that connectors can only be inserted to the expansion board, strip light, or effects board ports in one direction.

Forcibly inserting connectors in the incorrect direction will result in damaging the pins inside each of the ports on your component board.

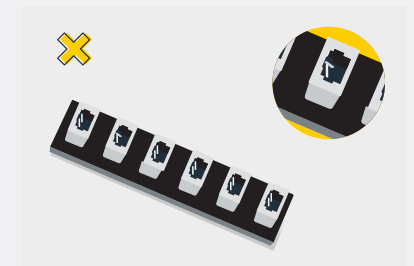
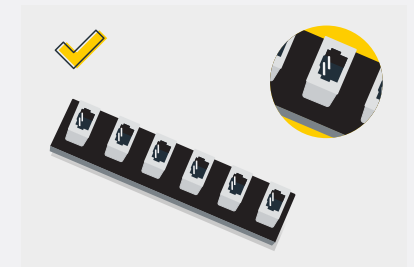
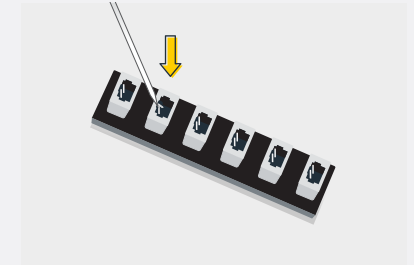
Not only will a light connected to the damaged port not work, but if the pins inside the port are bent to a point they are touching each other, this can result in all other lights in the system to stop working. This is a short circuit.



A short circuit can also result in overheating of the board, cable or batteries. If you suspect a short circuit, **DISCONNECT POWER IMMEDIATELY**. Batteries can fail, catch fire, or even explode if left connected to a short circuit for too long.

If you suspect you have a faulty component due to a bent pin, try the following steps:

If you look carefully inside each of the ports, each port contains 2 small pins that should be straight. You will be able to identify a faulty port if it has any bent pins.





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