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# ROBOTICS

## Claw Pick & Place Machine Challenge

**Ages 7–14 | LEGO  
Mindstorms Robotics  
Applied Science  
Hands-on**

**DSA Portfolio Boost |  
Duration: 2 hrs**



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# Another World Class Content by Cognitive Intelligence Lab

Robotic Arm Pick-and-Place Challenge  
Build. Engineer. Control. Compete.

In this hands-on workshop, students design and build a LEGO Mindstorms robotic arm claw machine, then put their engineering skills to the test in an exciting time-based challenge.

Students will program their robot to pick, move, and place objects accurately — just like real automated systems used in factories, logistics, and smart warehouses.



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# World Class Framework:

## Cognitive Systems Academy™

Students learn to explain how their code and systems behave, like **Harvard (CS50) and MIT**, they don't start by memorizing syntax.

Curiosity, reasoning, and understanding always come first.



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# What They'll Learn

## Applied Robotics Engineering

Understanding how real robotic arms operate in automation and manufacturing.

## Mechanical Systems

- leverage and motion
- motor control
- stability and structure

## Control & Programming

How code translates into real-world mechanical movement.

## Problem Solving Under Constraints

Design → test → refine → compete.

# Key Takeaways

## DSA PORTFOLIO BUILD UP

- Each student receives a Digital DSA Portfolio
- DSA write-up, Testimonial & Evidence

### Skill Sets:

- Creativity
- Communication Skills
- Collaboration & Cooperation
- Goal Orientation
- Leadership Skills
- Analytical Reasoning
- Scientific, Robotics concepts
- 21<sup>st</sup> century skills competencies
- Robotic Technological application and concepts



# SHOW OFF!

Let's Show Off!

Present what you have built!

Student presentations to parents at Open House.

- 1) Introduce your team and name your design!
- 2) What does it do?
- 3) What are your roles?
- 4) How does it work?
- 5) Share one challenge you encountered during the build.
- 6) What is your solution?
- 7) Why Should we vote for you?

# 14 Years of Pioneering STEM Education & Robotics in Singapore

## By creators of FLL Grand Champion

### Award-Winning Curriculum

Developed by FLL Grand Champion Master Trainers.

Curriculum developed by experienced, award-winning robotics and computing educators, and refined through the **Explainable Intelligence™ Curriculum Framework** with research support from the *Cognitive Intelligence Lab*.



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