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Today we're doing a workshop about next nature. Next Nature Network is a new nature movement that researches the way nature, humans and technology relate to each other. Let me tell you a bit more about the rise of a next nature.

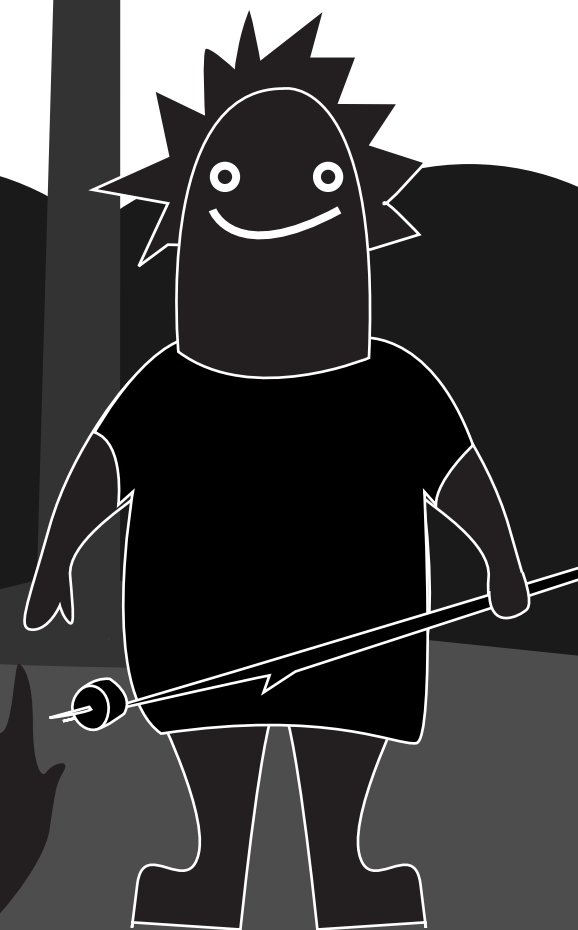
Our world is in state of constant flux and change. Nature is continuously inventing new and better ways to survive. This has been going on for million of years and we call this: evolution. Humans are a part of evolution. When we had just arrived on earth, we lived in the wild nature. We lived in caves, ate animals and at the same time we got eaten by other animals.





After a while we learned to talk and think about things that didn't exist yet. And just like nature has invented new ways to survive: we became inventors too. We came up with all kinds of inventions to make our lives easier. When technology and nature collide, we call this: next nature.

Cooking is a next nature invention; a technology which makes the food become softer and easier to digest. Meanwhile our bodies completely adjusted to this technology. This means we can't live without it anymore.





Nowadays there isn't almost anything in this world that hasn't been touched by us humans. Look around you, what is the most natural thing in this classroom?



It is you!



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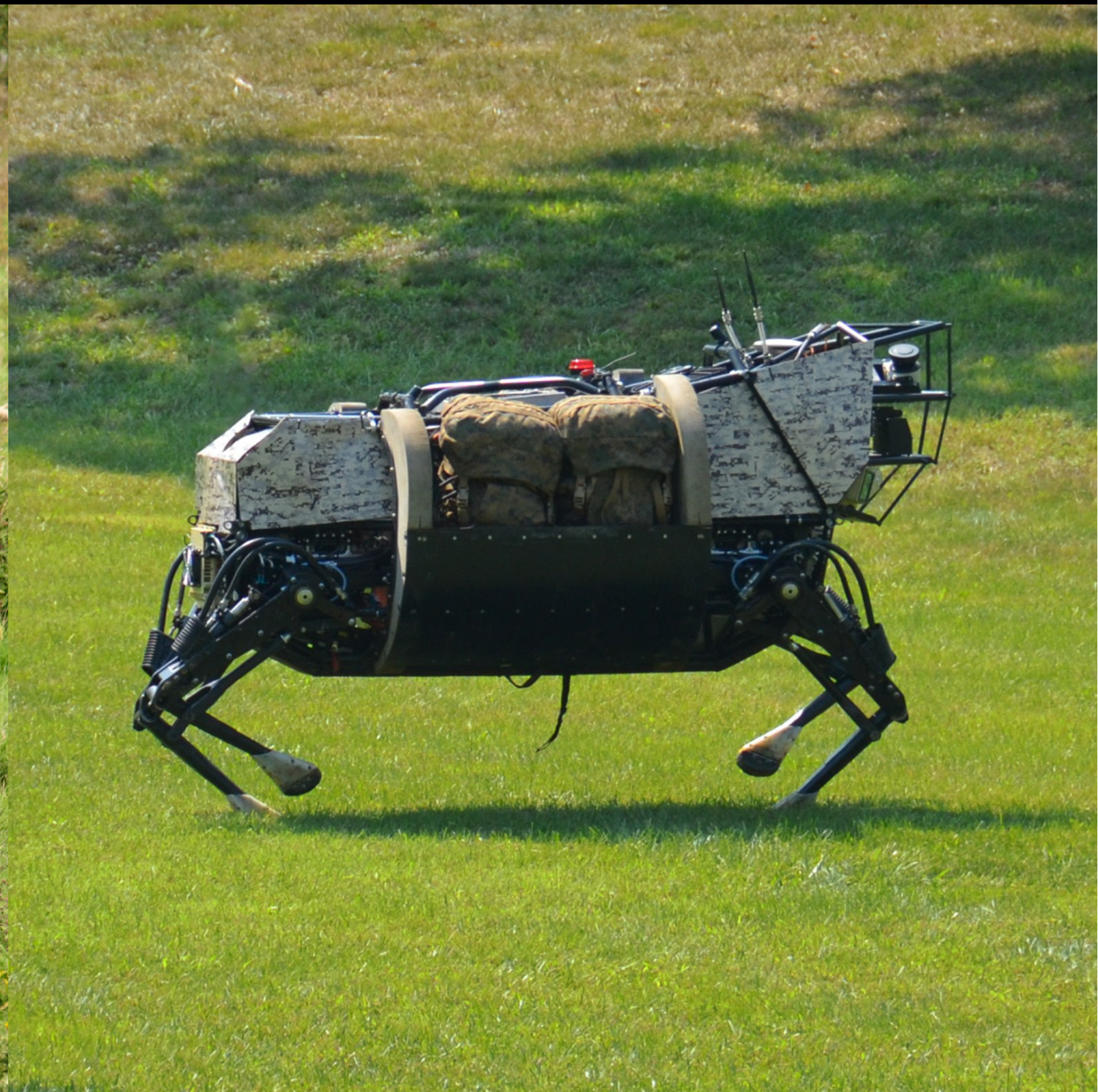
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Camera lenses allow us to zoom in on nature and discover aspects of it that we could not see with our naked eye.



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Just like the old nature cow, this cow is made by humans. It's just not as furry and cute as the other one!

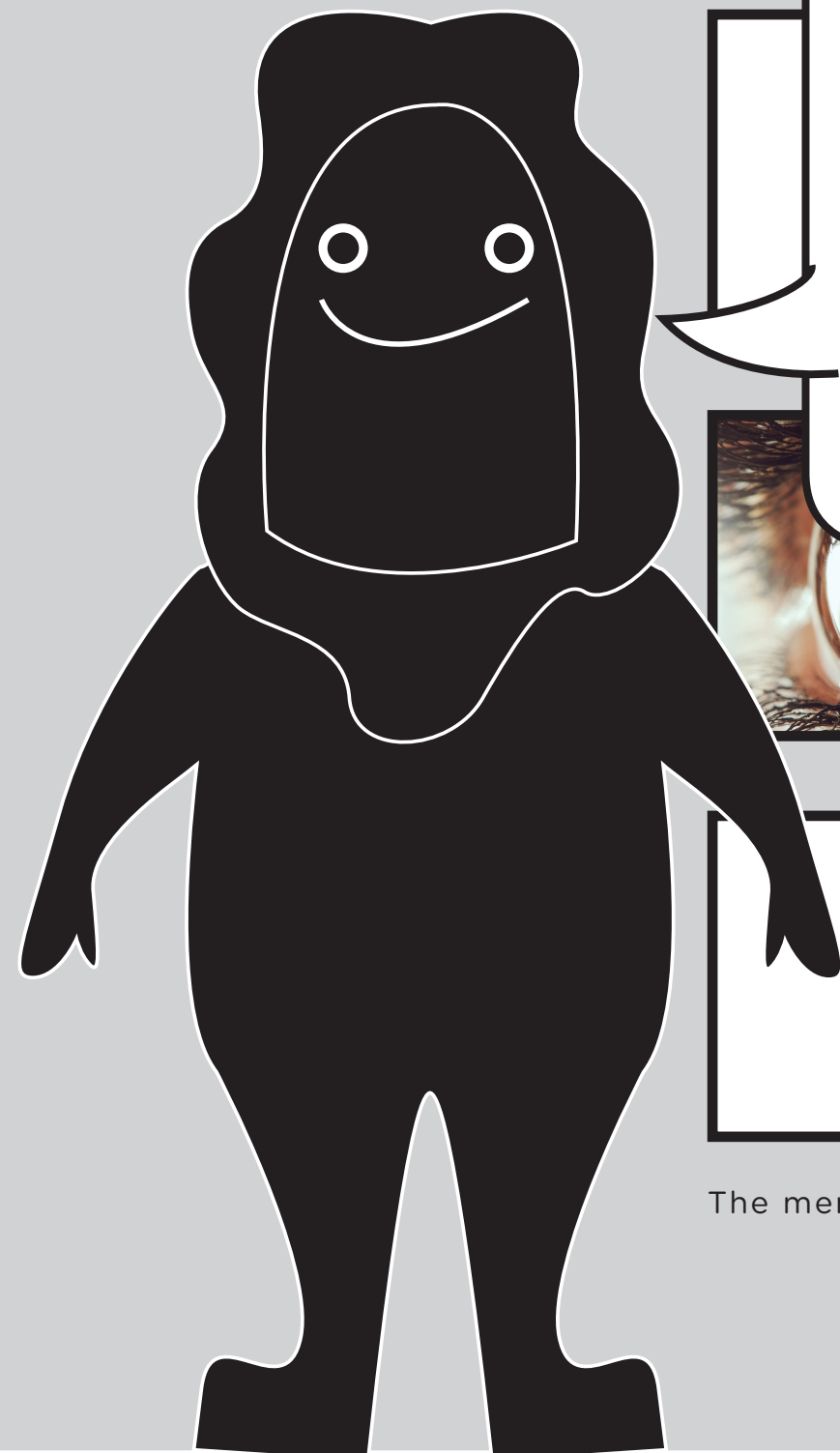


Did you know that this banana is actually a next nature banana?



The original banana was much smaller, less sweet and had more seeds in it.

Now it's soft and contains almost no seeds. But this also means that it can't exist without the help of humans.



Let's get started! As you might have noticed: this memory game is not like any other. Each pair doesn't feature the same image, but look similar and they tell a story when matched. On one card you'll find an image from old nature, on the other one you'll find an picture from Next Nature.



The memory game is available at: www.nextnature.net/memorygame

Let's take a look
at the pairs!

