

# Thing Explainer: Complicated Stuff in Simple Words by Randall Munroe

*Thing Explainer: Complicated Stuff in Simple Words*, things are explained in the style of Up Goer Five, using only drawings and a vocabulary of the 1,000 (or "ten hundred") most common words. Explore computer buildings (datacenters), the flat rocks we live on (tectonic plates), the things you use to steer a plane (airliner cockpit controls), and the little bags of water you're made of (cells).

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