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A story based on the characters from the series Auto-B-Good™

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Summary: A story based on the characters from the video series Auto-B-Good. After damaging his neighbor’s birdhouse, EJ works off the debt by pulling weeds for "Mean old Mr. Crankfender." In the process, EJ learns what it means to be caring.
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A flying disc whizzed through the air. EJ jumped up and grabbed it. “Not bad!” his pal Johnny said. “Now send it back. And put some heat on it!”
“Get ready!” EJ shouted and wound up for a huge throw. He launched the disc into the air. It went wide and sailed away from Johnny.

“Dude!” yelled Johnny. “You were supposed to throw it TO me!” He raced after the disc.
“Johnny, get it!” EJ cried. “It’s heading into old Mr. Crankfender’s yard!” Johnny poured on the speed, but didn’t make it. The disc sailed over the fence and clanged noisily against an antique birdhouse. “I’ll go ask for it,” EJ said.
“I wouldn’t do that if I were you,” Johnny said. “I’ve heard that old Mr. Crankfender is the grumpiest car in the City of Auto! He keeps every toy that goes over his fence. He’s using them to build a giant robot to take over the city.”

“Really?” EJ asked.