

Made Me A Robot

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Since I was a little boy,
there's one thing I wanted to do.
Dreamed of building robots,
and now my dream's come true.

Spoken: At W-P-I!

So I made me a robot,
Yeah I made me a robot,
Oh I made me a robot,
of my own.

Studied mathematics,
calc and diff E-Qs,
also probability,
because they forced me to.

Spoken: No required classes my ass!¹

So I made me a robot,
Yeah I made me a robot,
Oh I made me a robot,
of my own.

Learned how to write programs
in Python, Scheme, and C.
Stared ev'ry night at the monitor,
and now I can hardly see.

Spoken: I didn't always need glasses!

So I made me a robot,
Yeah I made me a robot,
Oh I made me a robot,
of my own.

Statics and dynamics,
Kinematics, too,
Had to relearn all the crap,
I forgot from diff E-Qs!

Spoken: I only NRed it twice!²

So I made me a robot,
Yeah I made me a robot,
Oh I made me a robot,
of my own.

Took Unified Robotics,
had lab 8 days a week,
When the term had ended,
I could hardly speak!

Spoken: Gweep, gweep!

Except to my robot,
Yeah I made me a robot,
Oh I made me a robot,
of my own.

Finally graduated,
With a PhD.
Now all I do is build robots,
For the D-O-D!

Spoken: And CIA and NSA and FBI!

'Cuz they made me a robot,
Yeah they made me a robot,
Oh how they made me a robot,
of their own!

Spoken: Look out, it could happen to you!

¹ Officially, WPI has no required classes for any major. Reality and policy diverge on this point.

² Failing grades at WPI are called No Record, NR for short.