Robot Cleans Up

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June Robot liked to find old things. Every day after school, she looked for more old things.

"June, what will you do with all that junk?" asked her little brother, Rob.

"I am going to use it," said June.
Today, Luke and his dad were bringing things to the dump.

“This is such good stuff!” said June. “I can use your old things.”

“You can?” asked Luke.

“Yes,” said June. “I have a plan.”
June took Luke's old stuff home.

"June, is that more old stuff?" asked her mom.

"What will you do with that junk?" asked her dad.

"I am going to use it," said June.
June went to her room.

“Come and help me, Rob,” she said.
“Hand me that tube of paste. I can make a new toy for you to jump in.”
Soon June was done.

"Get in, Rob," she said.

"June! Look at me jump!" said Rob.
"You make the best things."
“What is that noise?” asked Mom.

“What is going on up there?” asked Dad.

“Let’s go find out,” they said.
“Rob! What are you doing?” asked Mom.

“June! Look at this mess,” said Dad.

“That’s it!” said Mom and Dad together. “There will be no more junk!”
"But this is all good stuff!" said June.
"Look! I made this for reading in bed."

"And she made this for me to play a tune on!" said Rob.
“That is terrific,” said Mom. “But this mess has to go!”

“Tomorrow, we bring the things you can’t use to the dump,” said Dad.
After Mom and Dad left, June looked at her old stuff.

"Rob, I have a plan," said June. "I can have a clean room and still keep my stuff."

"Can I help?" asked Rob.
June and Rob went to work.

"We can use so much of this stuff," said June.

"Mom and Dad are going to be so happy!" said Rob.
June and Rob worked and worked. At last, they were done. June smiled.

“This is my best creation yet,” she said.

“I’ll get Mom and Dad,” said Rob.
“Mom and Dad!” said Rob. “Look at what we made.”

“What is it?” they asked.

“You’ll see,” said June. “I just have to pull down this switch.”
"Your room is so clean!" said Mom.

"And you used so much old stuff," said Dad.
“Look!” said Rob. “This is the leftover stuff to bring to the dump.”

“But June can make something new with it,” said Mom and Dad.

“I can!” said June.
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June has a cute *brown* mule.