


Elmer, his friend Evan, and his sister Ethel, are walking to the beach with their Grandpa Ed.

"Let's look over the fence," Elmer exclaims. "We might see something interesting."

"This demolition will make room for a taller building," Grandpa Ed explains.

"Look," said Grandpa Ed. "See how the loader scoops up the debris and loads the dump truck.
They clean it up before new construction begins."


Elaine, the civil engineer, rolls out the site plans to talk about the foundation with Frank the surveyor.
Frank will set the exact location where the foundation is placed in the trench.
The foundation holds up the rest of the building.


Elmer shouts, "Wow! Look! Elmer's is here. They have the same name as me!"
The footing forms are filled with Elmer's Concrete. The foundation must be strong to hold up the tall building.

"What's that?" asked Ethel. "That's the steel being set in place by a crane," said Grandpa Ed.
"They are setting the floor structure for that other building."

"Why is that machine scratching the ground?" asked Evan. "It's a Do-Mor," explained Elmer.
"It grades the ground to prepare for the asphalt paving. He's making the parking lot."

"They must be paving over there!" exclaimed Ethel. "I see a roller like you see in cartoons."
"That's right," said Grandpa Ed. "They flatten the asphalt to compact it so it is strong and smooth."

"Let's leave these people to finish their work," said Grandpa Ed. "Besides, we have work of our own to do."

"I see you three are making your own buildings," said Grandpa Ed.
"Yes, we are," said Elmer. "We can get a lot done if we work as a team. Just like Elmer's on that job site we saw."

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