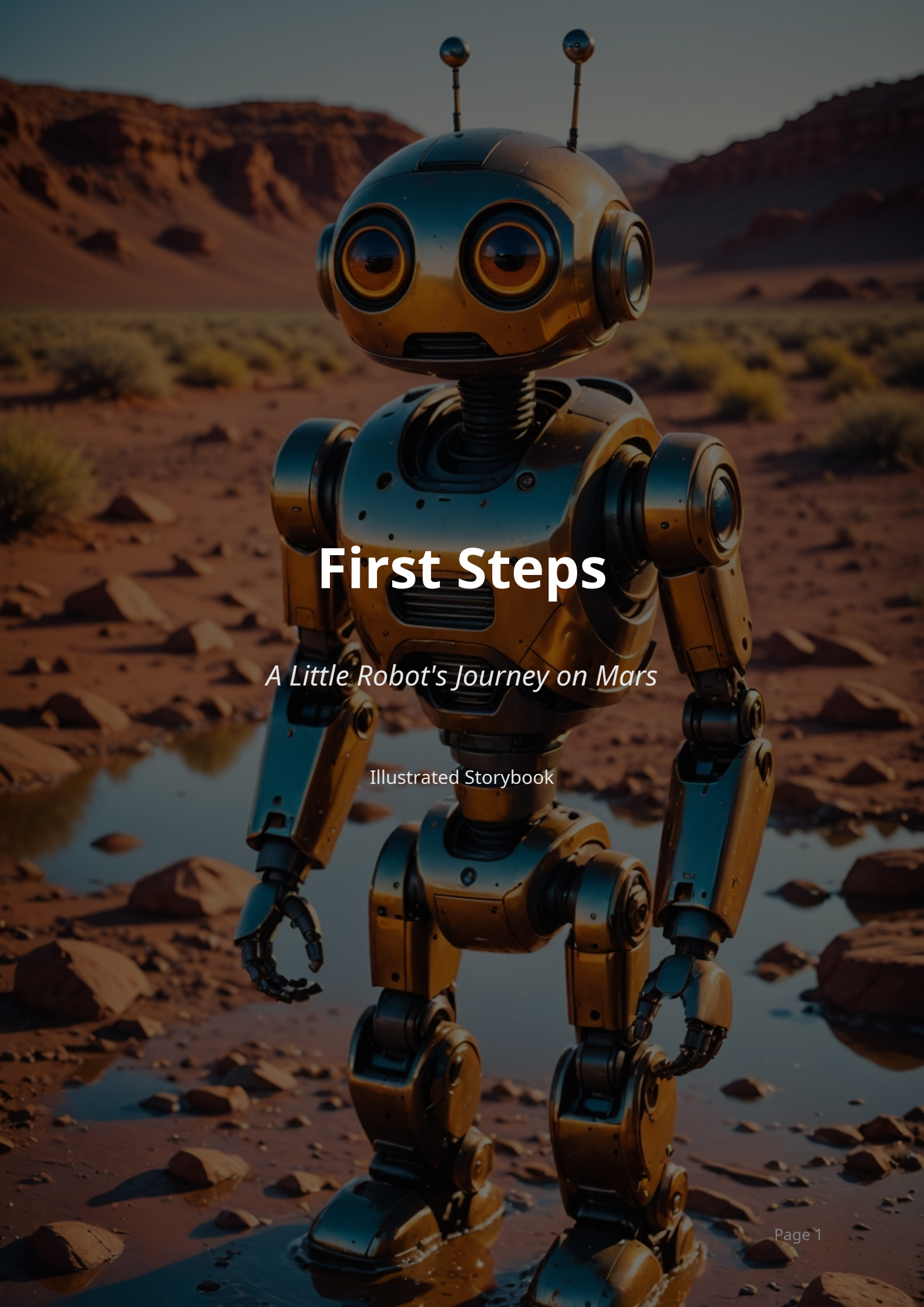




First Steps

A Little Robot's Journey on Mars

Illustrated Storybook



A brand-new little robot blinks open its eyes for the very first time. The red Martian sun washes over its smooth metal head. Everything is new. Everything is strange. Everything is wonderful.



The little robot tries to stand. One leg wobbles. The other leg wobbles too! Down it tumbles onto the soft red dust, giggling at its own clumsiness. Each tumble is a lesson. Each lesson is a game.



What's this? A shimmer. A sparkle. A pool of water on Mars! The robot kneels beside it, seeing its own bright eyes reflected back. A mirror. A gift. A moment of magic.



SPLASH! The little robot jumps right in, arms raised high. Water flies everywhere. Joy flies everywhere. Laughter echoes across the red landscape. This is the best discovery ever!



The robot hears a gentle sound. A new friend appears! Soft and curious, the Martian creature reaches out. Two different beings, one shared moment of connection. Together, they play and dance in the Martian warmth.



A gentle breeze tickles across the red plains, swirling dust all around. The robot giggles and twirls, arms flowing with the wind. Nothing to fear. Just the planet playing with its new friend. Just pure delight.

The day begins to fade. Golden light turns soft and rosy. The robot climbs to the top of a gentle hill and watches as the sun sinks low. Mars isn't so strange anymore. Mars is starting to feel like home.





Two moons rise together in the star-filled sky. The little robot looks up in wonder, heart full of joy. A strange new world has become home. And the robot is exactly where it belongs.