### **Product History**

st generation 1924-

TOMY'S FOCUS Craftsmanship/Wartime and postwar INDUSTRY TREND Metal and motors

**2**nd generation 1954-

### 1920 >

#### **Founded Tomiyama Toy** Seisakusho, the predecessor of today's TOMY

On February 2, 1924, Eiichiro Tomiyama founded Tomiyama Toy Seisakusho, the predecessor of today's TOMY Company, Ltd. The company manufactured numerous toy airplanes, establishing a reputation in the industry linking the Tomiyama name with toy airplanes. Later, the company expanded its business through one industryleading initiative after another, including the establishment of the first factory in the toy industry with an assembly line system and the creation of a toy research department. Tomiyama also contributed greatly to the modernization of the toy industry through its determined efforts to improve the standing of toy manufacturers.

- AFRO PLANE BREGUET 1924
- LOOPING PLANE 1930

#### 1935 ΔΙΡ ΜΔΝ 1937 TANK JOHN DEERE 1946



JOHN DEERE\*





#### 1950 >

#### Transferred from metal to plastic

After World War II, the company's B-29 Bomber friction toy became a major hit in and outside Japan, blazing the way for the export of large toys. In 1953, the company began its journey toward becoming a modern enterprise by incorporating, and in 1959 it established a sales subsidiary, which had been the founder's ardent wish since the founding. Around this time, waves of innovation in materials and technology rolled through the toy industry, ushering in a major turning point when metal was replaced with plastic and friction toys were succeeded by electric toys. Sato Vinyl Industries, a predecessor of TAKARA Co., Ltd., was founded in 1955.

- 1951 B-29
- Speedway Racer No. 3 1953
- 1957 **Bubble Blowing Elephant**
- 1959 Piggy Cook Sky Ping-Pong Plastic Train and Rail Set



Plastic Train and Rail Set

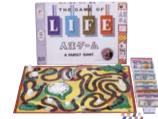
### 1960 >

#### Early success in expanding overseas during the export boom

At a time when half of the toys it produced were exported, TOMY was quick to open representative offices in New York and Europe with the aim of making inroads directly. In Japan, the company established production bases, set up a development center-an unprecedented move in the industry-and took other steps to create a system uncompromisingly committed to good manufacturing.

TAKARA grew into a comprehensive toy manufacturer, propelled in its business expansion by hit products that made use of the company's vinyl processing technology.

- 1960 Dakko-Chan
- Ohanashi Miko-Chan 1964
  - (Talking Miko)
- 1967 LICCA doll
- 1968 The Game of Life (Japanese Version)
- Magic Skyrail 1969 Tumble Robot



THE GAME OF LIFE



Water Game

### 1970 >

# Start-up of overseas production

After commissioning production in Hong Kong, TOMY opened its first factory in Singapore, making it one of the early companies to embark on overseas production. Masanari Tomiyama was appointed the second president and CEO in 1974, the company's 50th anniversary. TOMY and TAKARA both released numerous long-selling products that remain popular to this day.

- 1970 TOMICA
- G.I. Joe
- 1972 Henshin Cyborg
- 1974 Microman (Micronauts)
- 1975 Pop Up Pirate Pocket Mate
  - Tuneyville Choo Choo Kotetsu Jeeg
- 976 Water Game
  - Amikko Knit Stitcher Born Free
  - TOMIX
- 977 Sensei Koeda-Chan mini dolls
  - (Treena & Her Forest Friends)
- 1978 Black Racer



TOMIX Approved by East Japan Railway Company





### 1980 >

## Ongoing reform and expansion of sales channels

TOMY established the Handicap Toy Laboratory in 1980 and popularized efforts in the industry to create barrier-free toys. In 1985, the Plaza Accord threw the company into a sudden management crisis. and drastic reforms were implemented, including the closure of factories in Japan. The following year, Kantaro Tomiyama was appointed the third president and CEO in a shakeup of the management structure. TAKARA went public in 1984 and grew steadily, being listed on the Second Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 1986. In 1988, the company switched from a focus on its core business of toys to diversified operations, rolling out products aimed at a wide range of fields.

- 1980 Choro-Q (Penny Racers)
- Diaclone
- 1981 Pac-Man
- 1982 Japanese version Barbie Tomy Tutor (Pyuta)
  - Orihime Weaving Machine Mechabonica
- 1983 7OIDS
- 1984 Transformers
- 1986 Jenny doll
- Cotton Candy Maker
- 1987 Palm Pets
- Norakurokun Rock'n plush
- 1988 Rock 'n' Flowers Mashin Hero Wataru character
- products GACHA
  - Jenga
- 1989 Kentoshi Boxing Ring

TRANSFORMERS

Plush Goma-chan from Shonen Ashibe Monopoly

## 1990 >

#### From "product out" to "market in"

TOMY prepared for regeneration with a new structure. With this, it announced a business diversification strategy focused on the three core areas of toys, general goods and multimedia products. It rolled out a stream of new measures, including entry into the character business and a business alliance with HASBRO, Inc., in the United States. In 1997, TOMY went public and in 1999 it was listed on the Second Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. From the second half of the 1980s, TAKARA expanded its Hearty Series for enriching people's lives and released products based on TV characters that became hits. With this aggressive product expansion, the company was listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 1991

- 1990 Musican
  - Dear Word Processor for children Chibi Maruko-chan character products
- 1991 Healing Birds
- 1992 Thomas and Friends
  - Super Famicon software Legend of the Hungry Wolf
- 1993 B-Daman
- Pinkish
  1994 Perfect Picture Maker
- 1995 Toshinden
  - LAMAZE
- 1996 Cella Sticker Machine
- Lullaby Home Theater
- 1997 Pokémon (Toys)
  BEAST WARS: TRANSFORMERS
- 1998 Polaroid Pocket Xiao
- 1999 Furby BEYBLADE
  - Twister



Musican



LAMAZE\*



Rock 'n' Flowers

GACHA\*





Pokémon

\* The photographs do not represent those at the time of product launch.

### 2000 >

#### Beginning of a new era in the toy industry

TOMY concluded a comprehensive licensing agreement with Walt Disney International Japan Inc. in 2000, the same year its stock was transferred to the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. In pursuit of further growth, TOMY aimed for progress as a group, including the establishment of a development subsidiary and the founding of a new company for the planning and selling of stuffed toys and a company for utilizing new technology. In 2000, TAKARA advocated expansion of the toy business and aggressively moved forward with the rollout of products and leveraged its planning and marketing prowess to continue offering a succession of popular products. In 2006, TAKARA and TOMY merged, becoming TOMY Company, Ltd. (known as TAKARATOMY in Japanese), with the aim of maximizing their respective strengths and becoming the world's top toy manufacturer.

2000 2005 e-kara Yumel Colorful Dakko-Chan Video game Nanchatte Phone software, NARUTO Walkie Bits Aguaroid 2001 Bit Char-G 2006 Jinsei Ginko Sweet Bambini (Life Bank) DREAM FORCE 01 Aero Soaer 2002 Bowlingual Akachan Kerotto Switch 2007 Nohohonzoku Omnibot 17μ i-SOBOT **DUEL MASTERS** Micro Pet le-Soba Home Soba Maker Οi Choco O Air Guitar 2003 Meow-Lingual Pokémon Battrio 2004 Aero R/C 2008 Tomica Hero Yumemi Kobo Fresh Caramel Maker 2009 THE FIRST YEARS Clockman



#### Toward tomorrow's hit products

Since 2010, TOMY has been accelerating its international expansion. It introduced an overseas version of TOMICA in Europe and North America. It began marketing METAL FIGHT BEYBLADE toys worldwide in conjunction with the introduction of a new TV anime (the actual names of the toys and anime differ by region). The toys are enjoying so much enthusiasm that an international competition was held in South Korea in the summer of 2010. In 2011, TOMY acquired U.S. toy manufacturer RC2, establishing a platform for global expansion. The entire TOMY Group has started to move into action together, aiming to be a truly global toy company.





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Jinsei Ginko



THE FIRST YEARS



#### WE WILL CREATE NEW VALUE FROM PLAY.

### 4th generation 2014-

TOMY'S FOCUS New technology/Analog toys with digital elements INDUSTRYTREND The personal revolution

## 2014 >

- 2014 PRIPARA
  - WIXOSS
- 2015 BEYBLADE BURST SHINKALION OHaNAS Linear Liner
- LiccA Stylish Doll collections
- 2016 Licca Bijou Series
  Pokémon Ga-Olé
  HATCHIMALS Umarete! Woomo
- 2017 DRIVE HEAD
  Miracle Tunes!
  PRINTOSS (KiiPix)



Licca Bijou Series





Miracle Tunes!



Linear Liner





BEYBLADE BURST





HATCHIMALS Umarete! Woomo



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