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Homer and Quentin went to their math teacher to ask if he could teach them Calculus. He laughed and said if Homer couldn't do algebra how could he do Calculus. Then they showed how they taught themselves trigonometry. He said he would teach a class if Mr.Turner told him to. When they went to ask Mr.Turner he also laughed. He said that the district wouldn't approve a class like that and told them to leave.

Later in the week he called Homer and Quentin into his office. In the office there were two state troopers with a rocket looking device. They said that this rocket caused a fire, and then accused it to be one of BCMA's rockets. Homer and Quentin said it wasn't one of theirs. Miss Riley came to the rescue and proved that it wasn't. She proved one, that it was a flare and two, that it came from an airport that was near the fire.

Later that day Miss Riley had an experiment with zinc dust and sulfur. She mixed them around and then lit them with a match. They erupted explosively in a ball of fire. They knew that this was going to be their new propellant.