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THE THRILL ENGINEER

Professor Brendan Walker advises on roller-coaster designs around the world, created the world's first brain-controlled ride and has recently taken his virtual-reality playground on tour to Seoul and Philadelphia

1. PHOTOS OF MY WHIPPETS
"Quinn and Corby."

2. BEDTIME BLISS EYE MASK
"A client once caught me asleep with the mask on at the edge of a Venetian canal... with a ten-metre drop to my left."

3. THRILL LABORATORY BADGES
"Better than business cards."

4. AQUA SPHERE GOGGLES
"I swim wherever I'm visiting. There was an outdoor pool in Toronto and I swam while it was tipping it down with snow."

14. EMPATICA E4 BIOMONITOR AND ACCELEROMETER
"I test rides myself and use my data as a baseline."

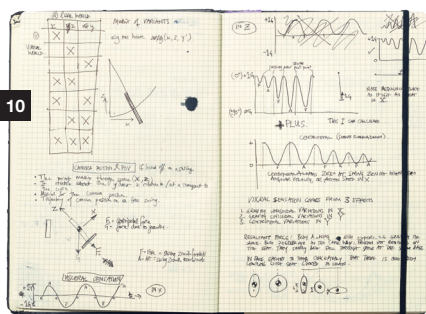
13. HENDERSON'S RELISH
"To give a Northern twist to any meal."

12. CRYSTALLISED STEM GINGER
"For motion-induced nausea – a secret I learnt while filming a Channel 4 series about the *Titanic*."

11. CASIO CALCULATOR WATCH
"Always a plan B."

10. LEITZ A5 NOTEBOOK
"My drawings look mechanical, but they're always designed to move people emotionally."

JOY RIDE
Right: Walker has collaborated with Alton Towers on the TH13TEEN ride



5. GOPRO HERO
"To capture people's faces on rides. Every face has 42 different muscle groups in it – they're so communicative, it's gold dust."

6. KAWECO BRASS SPORT PEN
"I'm a second-dan black belt and we do work with Kubotan. But you can't travel with martial arts weapons so I use this in lessons."

7. LEATHERMAN SURGE MULTI-TOOL
"In my hold luggage, to make adjustments to rides."

8. SAFETY GLASSES
"My grandfather's – he was a military engineer."

9. MAP OF RIO
"One adventure I want to take. To engineer thrills, you need to understand other cultures."



VR Playground is currently on tour with various UK dates, thrilllaboratory.com

