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marketing it in other countries. In 1958, the current LEGO® stud-and-tube coupling system was patented. They first came to the United States in 1962. These blocks quickly became a popular toy for building trucks, buildings, ships, planes, etc. In 1977, kits for older kids and teens began being sold. Over the years, new kits and new colors have been developed to keep up with current trends. However, the design of the blocks has not changed. In fact, the blocks from 1958 will still fit together with blocks manufactured today. Blocks from multiple generations of kids can be combined and used for many more generations to come.

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Answers will vary. After 52 years, LEGO® blocks have not changed except to offer a wider variety of kids and colors and are still popular.

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So save your LEGO® for your children since they are sure to be a hit with them as well.

