

Major Project: Phase I

SCED 542

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Identify the “Big” concept to be covered by the engineering design challenge.

Understanding the effects of different strengths, or different directions of pushes and pulls.

Research appropriate learning standards associated with the topic.

K.Forces and Interactions: Pushes and Pulls

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

K.PS2-1. Plan and conduct an investigation to compare the effects of different strengths or different directions of pushes and pulls on the motion of an object. [Clarification Statement: Examples of pushes or pulls could include a string attached to an object being pulled; a person pushing an object; a person stepping a rolling ball; and two objects colliding and pushing on each other.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to different relative strengths or different directions, but not both at the same time. Assessment does not include non-contact pushes or pulls such as those produced by magnets.]

K.PS2-2. Analyze data to determine if a design solution works as intended to change the speed or direction of an object with a push or a pull. [Clarification Statement: Examples of problems requiring a solution could include having a marble or other object move a certain distance, follow a particular path, and knock down other objects. Examples of solutions could include tools such as a ramp to increase the speed of the object and a structure that would cause an object such as a marble or ball to turn.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include friction as a mechanism for change in speed.]

The performance expectations above were developed using the following elements from the NRC document *A Framework for K-12 Science Education*:

Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
Planning and Carrying Out Investigations - Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in K-2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to simple investigations, based on fair tests, which provide data to support explanations or simple solutions. - With guidance, plan and conduct an investigation to collaborate with peers. (K.PS2-1)	P.S2.A: Forces and Motion - Pushes and pulls can have different strengths and directions. (K.PS2-1), (K.PS2-2) - Pushing or pulling on an object can change the speed or direction of its motion and can start or stop it. (K.PS2-1), (K.PS2-2) P.S2.B: Types of Interactions - When objects touch or collide, they push on one another and can change motion. (K.PS2-1) P.S2.C: Relationship Between Energy and Forces - A bigger push or pull makes things speed up or slow down more quickly. (secondary to K.PS2-1)	Cause and Effect Simple tools can be designed to gather evidence to support or refute student ideas about causes. (K.PS2-1), (K.PS2-2)
Analyzing and Interpreting Data - Analyze data in K-2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to collecting, recording, and sharing observations. - Analyze data from tests of an object or test to determine if it works as intended. (K.PS2-2)	ETS1.A: Defining Engineering Problems A situation that people want to change or create can be approached as a problem to be solved through engineering. Such problems may have many acceptable solutions. (secondary to K.PS2-2)	

Connections to the Nature of Science

- Scientists use different ways to study the world. (K.PS2-1)

Connections to other DCIs in kindergarten:
K.ETS1.A (K.PS2-2), K.ETS1.B (K.PS2-2)
Articulation of DCIs across grade-levels:
2.ETS1.B (K.PS2-2), 3.PS2.A (K.PS2-1), 3.PS2.B (K.PS2-1), 4.PS3.A (K.PS2-2), 4.ETS1.A (K.PS2-2)
Common Core State Standards Connections:
ELA/Literacy:
W.K.1 With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text. (K.PS2-2)
W.K.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them). (K.PS2-1)
SL.K.3 Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood. (K.PS2-2)
Mathematics:
MP.2 Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (K.PS2-1)
K.MD.A.1 Describe measurable attributes of objects, such as length or weight. Describe several measurable attributes of a single object. (K.PS2-1)
K.MD.A.2 Directly compare two objects with a measurable attribute in common, to see which object has “more of”/“less of” the attribute, and describe the difference. (K.PS2-1)

* The performance expectations marked with an asterisk integrate traditional science content with engineering through a Practice or Disciplinary Core Idea.

K-2-ETS1-2 Engineering Design

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

K.2. Develop a simple sketch, drawing, or physical model to illustrate how the shape of an object helps it function as needed to solve a given problem.

ETS1-2.

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Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
Developing and Using Models - Modeling in K-2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to include using and developing models (i.e., diagram, drawing, physical replica, drama, dramatization, or storyboard) that represent concrete events or design solutions. - Develop a simple model based on evidence to represent a proposed object or tool.	ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions Designs can be conveyed through sketches, drawings, or physical models. These representations are useful in communicating ideas for a problem's solutions to other people.	Structure and Function The shape and stability of structures of natural and designed objects are related to their function(s).

Connections to K-2-ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions to Problems include:
Kindergarten: K-ESS3-3, First Grade: 1-PS4-4, Second Grade: 2-LS2-2
Articulation of DCIs across grade-levels:
3-6.ETS1.A, 3-6.ETS1.B, 3-6.ETS1.C
Common Core State Standards Connections:
ELA/Literacy —
SL.2.5 Create audio recordings of stories or poems, add drawings or other visual displays to stories or recounts of experiences when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings. (K-2-ETS1-2)
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Identify and discuss the different types of problem solving and declarative/procedure knowledge needed.

For this project students will be using multiple problem-solving strategies through-out the activity. They will be using collaboration skills to brainstorm with a partner. Next, they will use trial and error to test their model and make any changes they may see needed. All these skills are going to promote to more divergent thinking for solutions to the problem. My students will already have routines for safety, and knowledge/experience with the engineering design model. They will build key vocabulary at the start of the lesson by defining and providing examples to key terms.

Explore objectives and ancillary concepts/content covered by the project.

- *We will design, test, and evaluate data that shows how far an object can be pushed.
- *We will use the engineering design model to solve a problem.
- **I am unsure as to how to answer what the ancillary concepts/content covered would be.

Identify possible activities.

Marble Maze, Gross Motor Push and Pull, Wind Force, Rockets

Select the best activity for your classroom.

We will be testing a rocket activity, but with flying ghosts for Halloween theme. This activity will use balloons as the force for pushing, not blowing through straws.

<https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/edu/teach/activity/simple-rocket-science-continued/>