

Purpose and Objectives:

- Provide a quick sample STEM PBL Activity.
- Snapshot into Problem-Based Learning.
- Begin to explore what is STEM.
- Begin to explore engineering in the NGSS.
- Text integration ideas: fiction (harder) or nonfiction (a little more self evident).
- Look at possible 4 day format.
- Introduce Makerspace ideas.
- Have at least a little fun...:0)



Those Darn Squirrels



3-5-ETS1-1: Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.

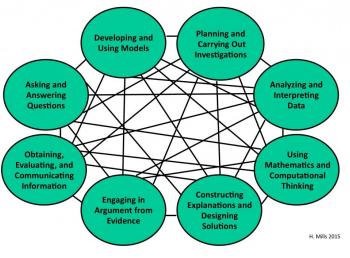
Crosscutting Concept: Cause & Effect.

Science/Engineering Practice: Developing &

Using Models



Science and Engineering Practices



DEFINE THE PROBLEM

Plan Summary:

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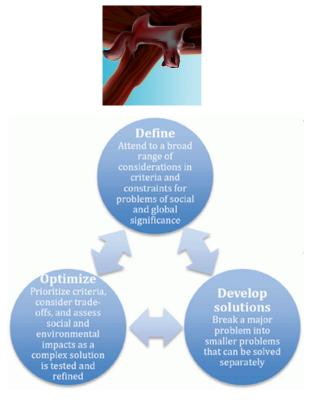


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OPTIMIZE SOLUTIONS (Redesign)

Engineering, redesign, failure points, and...



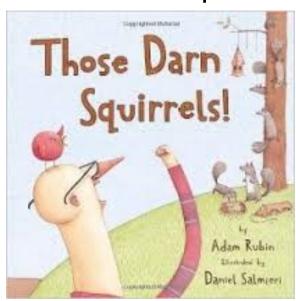


Part 1: "I do": Background Knowledge: Formative Assessment & Research.



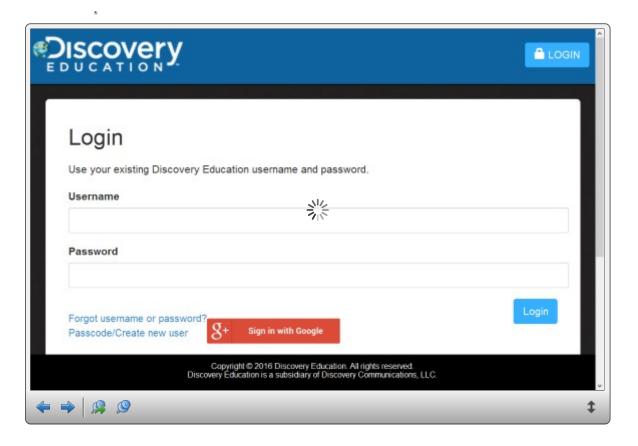
- Establish Purpose.
- Formative Assessment:
 - > Asking Q's
 - > Journal Prompt
 - > Uncovering Student Ideas Activity (Probe)
- Research:
 - > Teacher Instruction
 - > Text-based (Close Reading)
 - > Audio/Video Research (Ed. Video)

"Those Darn Squirrels"



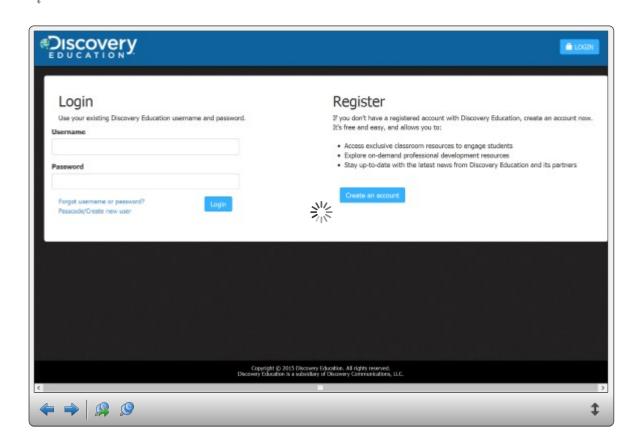
Discovery Streaming (Simple) Machines

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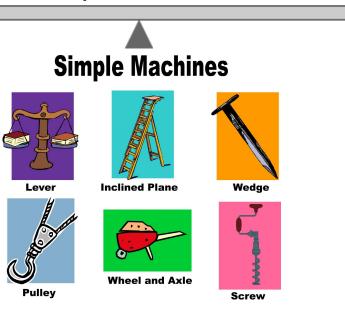


Discovery Streaming Engineering Design Process

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Simple Machines



Part 2: "We do":

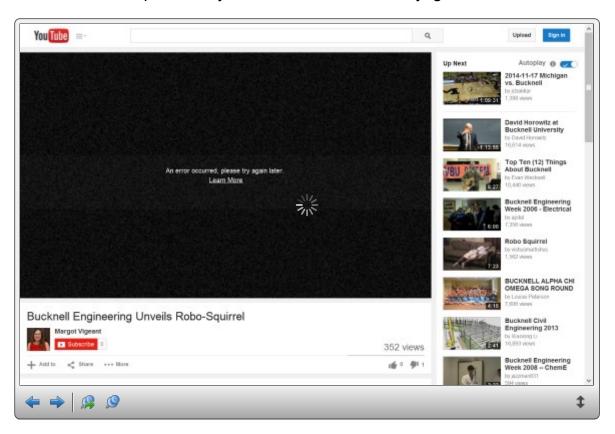
- Follow-up on Formative Probe
- Follow-up on Research if Time
- Quick/short video.
- Quick/short simulation.
- Plan our activity/experiment (procedure).





The future that our students face: jobs & technology we haven't even imagined...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kwyifgm0o5k

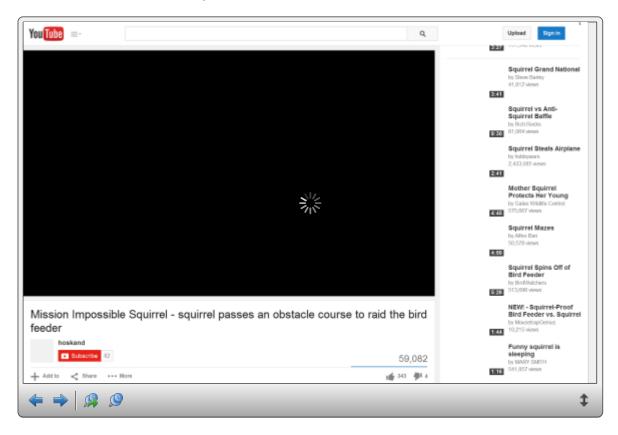


Mission Squirrel-possible?!?

(Obviously, this squirrel went to the Martin Sortun of squirrel STEM schools)



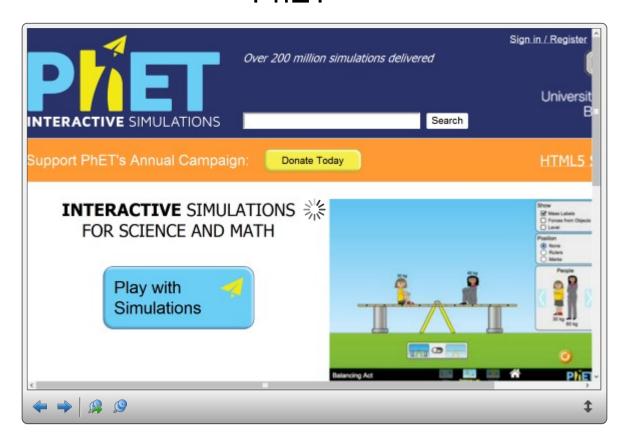
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Gizmo



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Part 3: "You do": Student Activity Ideas:

- Read a fiction or nonfiction text with similar concepts, e.g. compare and contrast, etc.
- Write their own engineering story.
- Create and solve a math problem based around the story.
- Draft or conduct a science experiment based on the story. (real or virtual).
- Design or do an engineering activity based on the story (real or virtual). [for the squirrels or for a better bird feeder/defense or for an obstacle course or etc.]
- \$: could add a cost/math component.

Part 4: "We do" some more & "You do" some more:

- Share our data as colleagues (class).
- Discuss our results.
- Write up our findings/conclusions.
- Write in our science journals about what we're still thinking:
 - > Questions
 - > Ideas
 - > Applications of our learning

