

	Status	Synopsis	Link	Skills	Category	Order	Joinability	Difficulty
					General Means of Improving the World	Priority within the Area	1=easy to join, 3=you may have to sweat	1=easiest, 10=hardest
Project #3: Human-powered Rotary Lawn Mower	Ready-to-start	A push mower suited to course lawns	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Mechanical engineering, machining, system thinking, electronics, power electronics	Machines	2	2	6
Project #28: Develop toolkit for the design of easily constructable CMS joints	Preliminary	3D-printing and math to make multi-member joints	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	3D modeling, 3D printing, some math, some mechanical engineering	Machines	3	2	6
Project #34: Ferrofluid based actuator	Preliminary	Hydrostatic "soft" machines	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Creativity, micro-electronics, programming, ability to experiment patiently	Machines	4	3	5
Project #12: Magnetic Bearing for Cam-and-Following System	Preliminary	Explore magnetic bearings for better engines	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Physics (E/M), workbenching, creativity in testing, possible electronics, mechanical	Machines	5	3	5
Project #13: "Changing Slope" Continuously Variable Transmission	Preliminary	Highly theoretical	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Inventiveness, ability to research, mechanical design	Machines	6	3	8
Project #29: Continuously variable linkage with linear motor member	Preliminary	Highly theoretical	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Electro-mechanical making, software control, mechanical engineering	Machines	7	3	8
Project #36: Mottle Ferrofluid Snail	Preliminary	Fun: making a moving electro-ferrofluid machine	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Basic making/electronic/Arduino skills	Machines	8	3	5
Project #4: Maximum work from an Adiabatic Expansion of a Piston	Preliminary	Theoretic work combined with mechanics	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Thermodynamics, advanced calculus, creativity, purely theoretic work	Machines	9	3	5
Project #6: "Air Treader", resistance-based flight	Preliminary	A completely new form of safe fluid motion	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	A fun and different approach to aerial locomotion; throw a "drogue" ahead of you and	Machines	10	3	8
Project #5: More Efficient Pot for Heating Water	Highly Active	High-impact heat project to decrease carbon	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Heat engineering, machining/making/3D printing, solid modeling/design, ability to	Energy	2	2	5
Project #8: Power-of-2 Square Gas Compression Chamber	Preliminary	Theoretic and general purpose work	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Geometric thinking, thermodynamics, first phase all-theory, judgement about	Energy	2	3	8
Project #11: Control Heat Engine or ICE with Cam-Follower rather than Crank	Preliminary	A new way to build efficient motors	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Ability to construct a mechanical system, judge the value, programming and math,	Energy	3	3	8
Project #24: Very simple heat engine with bistable magnetic device	Ready-to-start	Pull low power from waste heat sources	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Constructible, requires overall understanding of physics and thermodynamics, making	Energy	4	2	6
Project #41: Rapid coilform presence detector	Ready-to-start	Unknown microbiology	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Ability to research potential wide variety of approaches to fundamentally new	Sanitation	1	1	8
Project #21: Interactive Model of Inputs and Outputs in Waste Treatment	Ready-to-start	Pure software, but critically useful.	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Pure software with elementary algebra, very useful as reusable software project.	Sanitation	2	2	4
Project #9: Human Waste Sanitation Through Thermal Depolymerization	Preliminary	Rich and difficult but valuable engineering area	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Very preliminary set of ideas, requiring leadership and broad range of skills to effect.	Sanitation	3	3	8
Project #23: Pyrolysis Toilet	Preliminary	If power is free, sanitation should be free	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Cultural wisdom, mechanical engineering, heat engineering, some chemistry, high-	Sanitation	4	3	8
Project #51: Moonrat: A portable Incubator	Highly Active	Microelectronics may decrease time to analyze	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Ability to learn about micro-biology, basic micro-electronics, basic optics and	Sanitation	6	1	6
Project #14: In-situ Brush Pipe to Biochar Converter	Ready-to-start	A very hands-on, earthy project	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	A challenging, out-doorsy, bigger contruction project. Potential commercial	Agriculture	6	2	5
Project #15: Stovepot Micro-Retort For Experimentation	Ready-to-start	A smaller project, good as a warm up to large	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Making in metal; ability to relate to other reseach, microelectronic sensing; opens	Agriculture	7	2	4
Project #19: Single-chamber biochar producer and stove	Ready-to-start	Well-developed, a high-impact, high-engineering	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Pretty well developed idea, very practical in implication, fabrication in metal,	Agriculture	8	2	8
Project #40: For oil painting, a wheel for very thin lines	Ready-to-start	A simple project to allow easier art in specific styles	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	3D printing and low-level fabrication and making, user design, design skills, project	Art	2	2	4
Project #38: 3D-printable variable length snap line	Preliminary	Simple 3D printable art tool	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	3D printing and low-level fabrication and making, user design, design skills,	Art	3	3	3
Project #20: Personal Stool Analysis	Preliminary	High-impact world wide, good mix of skill sets	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Biology, microscopy, micro-electronics, imagination, human design skills, patience,	Health	2	3	8
Project #10, Free Transparent Public Accounting	Ready-to-start	Blockchain without the cryptography	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Accounting, systems-thinking, API design, open-source software project management.	Computation	4	2	8
Project #22: Abstract Data Type: Conserved Quantities	Ready-to-start	Super-cool computer programming utility	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump		Computation	4	2	7
Project #31: Oracular Graph Paper	Preliminary	Highly theoretic attach on Church's thesis with an	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Ability to tolerate potential failure, understanding of Church's Thesis, Theoretical	Computation	5	3	9
Project #32: Computational Theory Based on Progressive Refinement of Input	Preliminary	Very theoretical	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Theoretical computer science; ability to make crisp mathematical definitions;	Computation	6	3	8
Project #30: Number Spectra: Build a map of common irrational combination	Progress but inactive	Fun, easy math explorations	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Combine sophomore college-level math (analysis) with open-source management,	Computation	7	3	3
Project #2: Lovcraft, The Programming Language	Ready-to-start	A deep approach to build a new programming	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Deep understanding of programming, programming environments, programming	Computation	8	2	10
Project #42: Volumetric Colony Counting	Preliminary	Highly valuable use of optics and software to	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Use of modern computer-controlled microscopes. Ability to construct growth media	Science	2	3	9
Project #39: Botanical Impedance Sensor	Progress but inactive	Advance instrumentation of botany with modern	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Arduino or Raspi programming; ability to research and purchase sensors; ability to	Science	2	3	4
Project #18: Virtual Soundscape Recorder and Wildlife Locator	Ready-to-start	Combine art and science to build an enjoyable map	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Some Digital signal processing. Ability to construct matrix of microphones and	Science	3	2	8
Project #7: Color-block-based Writing System	Ready-to-start	First steps done; ready for active study and	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Computer human interaction; experimental design; willingness to train self in reading.	Other	2	1	3
Project #33: Use PVA to 3D print dissolvable molds for fluids	Ready-to-start	Practical 3D printing technique development	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Imagination; 3D printing, 3D modeling, ability to find new applications to soft objects,	Other	3	2	4
Project #27: Space Propulsion via throwing and catching projectiles	Ready-to-start	Highly theoretical, critically valuable, pen-and-paper	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Technical writing; ability to program simulations; ability to explain scientific concepts	Other	4	2	9
Project #53: Oxygen Concentrator	Highly Active	High flow medical grade oxygen concentrator	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	Mechanical, electrical, software engineering, industrial control systems, safety &	Health	4	1	8
Project #54: Ferrofluid Check Valve (Passive)	Highly Active	Theoretical but easily testable work to build a	https://github.com/ferrofluid/pump	An easy project to test via laser cutting and 3D printing. A nice, self-contained project.	Machines	11	1	2
Project #55: Medical Device Regulatory Approval Sunlight License	Progress but inactive	Create a new intellectual property license designed						