

Paper Airplane Challenge

Goal: Students learn about the importance of experimentation and prototyping

Materials -

8.5 x 11 Paper (3 sheets per student)

Procedure -

- 1. Construct a paper airplane with a sheet of paper
- 2. Have the students take turns throwing their paper airplanes from the same spot
- 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 with a second sheet of paper, constructing a new design
- 4. Have students reflect on which planes went further and why
- 5. Make the final airplane and have students throw their airplanes. This is the official test. The airplane that lands the furthest is the winner!
- ★ Explanation: Prototyping is important for good design. Sometimes, trial and error is required to have a successful final design.

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