



# Great Lakes College – Forster Campus

# Rescue Me

# Stage 4 Integrated STEM Project

Outcome Mapping for Rescue Me!				
Science	TAS	Mathematics		
SC4-4WS Identifies questions and problems that can be tested or researched and makes predictions based on scientific knowledge	<ul><li>4.1.1 applies design processes that respond to needs and opportunities in each design project</li><li>4.1.2 describes factors influencing design in the areas</li></ul>	Summary of ideas  Angles – measuring and drawing angles (perpendicular and parallel lines, bisecting lines		
SC4-5WS Collaboratively and individually produces a plan to investigate questions and problems	of study of Built Environments, Products, and Information and Communications	Measurement – converting units of measurement, speed		
SC4-8WS Selects and uses appropriate strategies, understanding and skills to produce creative and plausible solutions to identified problems	<ul><li>4.2.2 selects, analyses, presents and applies research and experimentation from a variety of sources</li><li>4.3.1 applies a broad range of contemporary and</li></ul>	Geometric shapes - 2D and 3D shapes Rates - relationship. Speed/Time/Distance		
SC4-9WS Presents science ideas, findings and information to a given audience using appropriate scientific language, text types and representations	appropriate tools, materials and techniques with competence in the development of design projects (Electronics Technologies)	Data - display, mean scores, range Outcomes		
SC4-6WS Follows a sequence of instructions to safely undertake a range of investigation types, collaboratively and individually	4.3.2 demonstrates responsible and safe use of a range of tools, materials and techniques in each design project	MA4-1WM communicates & connects mathematical ideas using appropriate terminology, diagrams & symbols		
SC4-7WS Processes and analyses data from a first0- hand investigation and secondary sources to identify trends, patterns and relationships, and draw	4.5.2 produces quality solutions that respond to identified needs and opportunities in each design project	MA4-2WM applies mathematical techniques to solve problems		
conclusions	4.6.1 applies appropriate evaluation techniques throughout each design project	MA4-3WM recognises and explains mathematical relationships using reasoning		

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		MA4-18MG A student identifies and uses angle relationships, including those related to transversals on sets of parallel lines	
		MA4-7NA operates rates (speed) and explores graphical representation	
		MA4-19SP A student collects, represents and interprets single sets of data, using appropriate statistical displays	
		MA4-20SP A student analyses single sets of data using measures of location and range	

### **Project Description:**



### Design situation: Scenario - Rescue Me

A number of school students have been kidnapped and are being held in a house with no windows and soundproof walls. They have access to a recycling bin which includes many household items such as plastic bottles and cardboard boxes. They must construct some sort of conveyance which will be capable of sending a rescue message, which will be sent through a small gap in the wall. A guard walks outside the house to prevent the students from escaping. The students are hoping to send an SOS note that will coincide with the postman as he delivers mail to the letterbox. Needless to say, the note needs to make contact with the postman without the guard noticing - it must make the 10 metre distance in a very short period of time. (This distance may change depending on the criteria established by the students). This is the only hope the students have of escaping!

TAS will be involved in the design and construction of the rescue device. Science will test the design of the device and record data using measuring devices. The scientific method will be used to conduct a fair test resulting in credible and reliable results. In Maths, students will be involved in measuring angles, bisecting lines and angles, calculating speeds and displaying collected data.

## **Design brief:**

Working as part of a collaborative team to complete the following:

- 1. Design and construct a car, powered by an electric toothbrush motor that satisfies a number of criteria determined by the class. Your task will involve designing a motorised conveyance from everyday materials.
  - Students explore variables such as shape, wheel sizes, lengths and width etc.
  - Students apply knowledge gained through research and experimentation to develop optimum speed and efficiency in the rescue vehicle, and produce a prototype for testing.
  - Students make decisions and explain principles based on mathematical evidence.
- 2. Design and construct a device to measure and display the output of electrical energy from your wind turbine.
  - Students explore variables in the design and construction of circuits to measure electrical energy.
  - Students apply knowledge gained through experimentation to develop a vehicle that will satisfy all of the design parameters, and solve the design problem in the best possible time in the most reliable manner.
  - Students explain principles based on mathematical evidence.
- 3. Use measuring devices to ascertain times and therefore most effective design.

Below are some suggested learning experiences contained within this sample unit of work mapped to the Learning across the curriculum areas contained within the NSW Syllabuses. This is not an exhaustive list.

LITERACY	NUMERACY	ICT CAPABILITY	CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING	ETHICAL BEHAVIOUR	PERSONAL AND SOCIAL CAPABILITY	ASIA AND AUSTRALIA'S ENGAGEMENT WITH ASIA	SUSTAINABILITY
<ul> <li>Write scientific reports</li> <li>Write explanatory texts</li> <li>Communicate using scientific terminology</li> <li>Communicate using metalanguage</li> <li>Write procedural texts</li> <li>Write evaluation.</li> <li>Read and follow instructions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make measurements</li> <li>Converts units of measure</li> <li>Constructs perpendicular angles</li> <li>Understand the relationship between speed, distance and time</li> <li>Analyse data to identify trends</li> <li>Construct graphs to represent data</li> <li>calculates speed using distance and time, finding mean scores for trials</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use data loggers         (or smart devices)         to gather         experimental data</li> <li>Use spreadsheets         as a tool to         perform         calculations and         create graphs</li> <li>Use multi-media         programmes to         present         programmes to         draw finished         designs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use thinking skills to complete group activities and open-ended tasks</li> <li>Solve problems in order to complete a design brief</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consider how the actions of people impact on the sustainability of systems</li> <li>Ethical use of 3D printer</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work together to participate in science investigations</li> <li>Work together to participate in designing</li> <li>Work together to participate in learning experiences</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Examine the multifunctionality of everyday materials</li> <li>Develop a use for recycled materials to suit particular design problems.</li> </ul>

General Capabilities: (See Teaching and Learning Program to identify links to General Capabilities)

Learning Across the curriculum used in this document are from the Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) NSW http://syllabus.bostes.nsw.edu.au/mathematics/mathematics-k10/learning-across-the-curriculum/

The cross-curriculum priorities:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures
- Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia
- Sustainability \*\*

The general capabilities:

- Critical and creative thinking \*\*\*
- Ethical understanding 414
- Information and communication technology capability
- Intercultural understanding
- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Personal and social capability

Other learning across the curriculum areas:

Work and enterprise \*\*

The outcomes used in this document are from the Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) NSW. http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus\_sc/

Stage 4 Technology	(Mandatory) Area	of Study: Products and S	·
Outcome:	Students learn about:	Students learn to:	Teaching and learning strategies:
<b>4.6.2</b> identifies and explains ethical, social, environmental and sustainability considerations related to design projects	environmental and sustainability considerations	identify ethical, social, and environmental and sustainability considerations relevant to each design project	Big Question: How useful is recycling in our modern day environment?  Discuss uses of recycling – consider life without, impact on society; direct and indirect uses.  Define sustainability. Ensure understanding of renewable and non-renewable resources.
4.3.2 demonstrates responsible and safe use of a range of tools, materials and techniques in each design project	<ul> <li>Tools</li> <li>specific tools relating to manufacturing technologies</li> <li>Techniques</li> <li>techniques such as cutting, drilling, and hot melt gluing.</li> <li>risk management strategies</li> <li>responsible behaviour in working environments</li> <li>Work Health and Safety practices</li> <li>the safe and responsible use of materials, tools and techniques in each design project</li> <li>maintenance of tools and equipment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>manage risk when developing design projects</li> <li>use tools, materials and techniques in a responsible and safe manner in each design project.</li> <li>maintain tools and equipment including computer equipment</li> </ul>	Students to run through tool specific safety instruction.  Students to learn names and uses of tools  Students to be given understanding of safe work processes, areas and techniques.  Students to be given an understanding of risk management strategies  Students to demonstrate knowledge of safe work processes by completing safety test.

Stage 4 Technology	(Mandatory) Area	of Study: Products and S	Services Design Specialisation: Mechanism Design.
Outcome:	Students learn about:	Students learn to:	Teaching and learning strategies:
4.1.2 describes factors influencing design in the areas of study of products and services, mechanism design and Information and Communications 4.1.1 applies design processes that respond	factors affecting design     function     aesthetics     environmental     resource availability  design processes including:     analysing needs,	<ul> <li>examine factors         affecting design in the         areas of study of Built         Environments</li> <li>establish a design         process that responds to</li> </ul>	Define terms - invention/design, research and development. Discuss the many different types of Technology.  Introduce (or revise) the design process. Identify main steps. Discuss cyclical nature of design process, no definitive entry/exit points, documentation, design
to needs and opportunities in each design project	<ul> <li>analysing needs, problems and opportunities</li> <li>establishing criteria for success</li> <li>researching</li> <li>generating creative ideas</li> <li>communicating ideas</li> <li>experimenting and testing ideas</li> <li>risk management</li> <li>managing resources</li> <li>producing design solutions</li> <li>evaluating ideas and</li> <li>solutions</li> </ul>	an identified need and opportunity  apply a design process when developing quality solutions  establish criteria for successful achievement of needs and opportunities  record design processes and decision making in a design folio  consider short-term and long-term consequences of design in the design process  identify needs and opportunities that require solutions	modification and development in response to research and testing, ongoing evaluation.  Discuss the situation and design parameters of: RESCUE ME!  • What can we do?  • What can't we do?  • What will we have to use?  • What won't we have to use?  • CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS AND FAILURE  Students search for and identify products used in recycling, and the potential alternative uses for them.  Introduction to CAD. Students work through a series of exercises to develop skills in the manipulation of tools and their uses  Students begin  • by sketching ideas for use of recycled parts to build a rescue vehicle.  • students set up and begin folio in own folders on computer U drives.

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4.2.2 selects, analyses, presents and applies research and experimentation from a variety of sources	<ul> <li>experimentation and testing of design ideas</li> <li>relationship of</li> <li>experimentation to success criteria</li> <li>research methods</li> <li>-needs analysis</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>apply the results of experimentation to designing and making when developing each design project</li> <li>identify, interpret and evaluate data from a variety of sources</li> <li>use effective research methods to identify needs and opportunities and locate information relevant to the development of each design project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Make connections with activities conducted in mathematics</li> <li>discussions about symmetry, the shape of angles and measurements.</li> <li>Draw upon the experiments conducted in science to make informed decisions about variables:</li> <li>use of scientific method to eliminate variables.</li> <li>Students will learn about the cause and effect relationships of working mechanical systems.</li> <li>They will also study materials requirements for various components of mechanical systems, such as shafts, bearings, springs, axles, levers and gears.</li> <li>revisit criteria for success.</li> <li>discuss speed, ratio's and rates</li> </ul>
4.6.1 applies appropriate evaluation techniques throughout each design project	<ul> <li>developing criteria for success as a tool for assessing design development and production</li> <li>ongoing evaluation of design ideas and decisions</li> <li>final evaluation considering</li> <li>design process used</li> <li>design solutions</li> <li>reflection on learning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>apply criteria for success in decision making during the development of each design project</li> <li>use criteria for success to reflect on the design process used and the solutions</li> <li>evaluate prior to, during and at completion of each design solution</li> <li>self-assess and peerassess design solutions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>run practical tests on speeds ratio's and velocity</li> <li>evaluate         <ul> <li>revisit ratios and speed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Outcome:	Students learn about:	Students learn to:	Teaching and learning strategies:
4.3.1 applies a broad range of contemporary and appropriate tools, materials and techniques with competence in the development of design projects.	types and functions of common electrical components such as battery operated 'throw away items	select and use electronic technology for a design project	<ul> <li>Discuss different methods of creating motion and attachments</li> <li>Discuss methods for accurate measurements, such as photo-finish technology to reduce margins for error.</li> <li>recording of evidence as construction is undertaken.</li> </ul>
4.5.2 produces quality solutions that respond to identified needs and opportunities in each design project 44	<ul> <li>skill development and refinement</li> <li>relationship of quality solutions to needs and opportunities and the criteria for success</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>practice and refine skills</li> <li>apply a design process that responds to needs and opportunities</li> <li>produce solutions reflecting quality standards appropriate to each design project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Part 2 of Design Brief- students evaluate and produce report:         <ul> <li>discuss ways of improving and re-making their projects</li> <li>redesign, retest.</li> </ul> </li> <li>students use video (previously used for timing) to measure success and to produce report for parents.</li> </ul>

Stage 4 Mathematics	Topics: Angles, Geometrical I	Figures, Rates and Data
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MA4-1WM communicates & connects mathematical ideas using appropriate terminology, diagrams & symbols MA4-2WM applies mathematical techniques to solve problems MA4-3WM recognises and explains mathematical relationships using reasoning		
MA3-9MG selects and uses the appropriate unit and device to measure lengths and distances, calculates perimeters, and converts between units of length	Content: Students  • choose appropriate units of measurement of length and perimeter  • record lengths and distances using combinations of millimetres, centimetres and metres  • calculate the perimeter of shapes	Big idea: students learn to measure accurately to provide good measurements and be able to compare versions of the design  introduce accurate measuring devices and the inaccuracies of some measure accurate distances to compare performance of devices
MA4-17MG A student classifies, describes and uses the properties of triangles and quadrilaterals, and determines congruent triangles to find unknown side lengths and angles	Content: Students      classify triangles according to their sides and angle properties and describe quadrilaterals     ldentify line and rotational symmetry     Investigate and determine lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of polygons, including special quadrilaterals	Big idea: students learn the properties of shapes and the need to have accurate angles, and symmetry  - Use common conventions to mark equal intervals on their sketches  - Label and name the shape of their design  - Know the properties of their design  - Ensure their design has symmetry as this will affect its performance

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Outcomes	Content	Teaching and Learning Strategies
MA4-18MG A student identifies and uses angle relationships, including those related to transversals on sets of parallel lines	Content: Use the language, notation and conventions of geometry  • Define and label angles using common conventions  • Recognise the geometrical properties of angles at a point  • complimentary, supplementary and adjacent angles Identify, name and find straight angles, revolution, vertically opposite and angles	Big idea: apply angle properties to design and determine the properties of their device allowing improved design after testing  - Naming convention and measuring angles - Students practise measuring angles using a protractor - Students use GeoGebra to investigate angle relationships Students investigate other successful devices online
MA4-7NA A student operates with ratios and rates, and explores their graphical representation	<ul> <li>content:         <ul> <li>Students solve a range of problems involving ratios and rates, with and without the use of digital technologies</li> <li>Interpret and calculate ratios that involve more than two numbers</li> <li>Solve a variety of real-life problems involving ratios</li> <li>Convert information into a simplified rate e.g. 150 kilometres travelled in 2hours = 75km/h</li> <li>Solve a variety of real-life problems involving rates, including problems involving speed which is rate of trave</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Big idea: apply the concept of rate such as speed to observe, calculate and understand the speed of their device  - Introduce the concept of ratios, rates and speed - Investigate the ratio of the diameter of the wheels front to back - find the speed of each device, using the ratio distance/time by creating a start and finish line, students time how long it takes for the cars to travel the distance to the finish line

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Outcomes	Content	Teaching and Learning Strategies
MA4-19SP A student collects,	Content:	Big idea: determine the type of data they will be collecting and how to best display this
represents and interprets	Students distinguish between types of	data
single sets of data, using	data and how to collect and display this	<ul> <li>Practice using spreadsheets and making displays from this information on excel</li> </ul>
appropriate statistical displays	data	- Load data obtained from their trials with their devices and determine best type of
■.	- identify examples of different	graph to display the outcomes
	types of data	
	<ul> <li>discuss differences in collecting</li> </ul>	
	data by census, sample or	
	observation	
	- analyse a variety of data displays	
	- use spreadsheets for collection	
	and display of data	
MA4-20 SP A student analyses	Content:	Big idea: use their knowledge of measures of location and range to analyse the data they
single sets of data using	Students calculate mean, medium, mode	obtain from their trails and then determine the most effective device with appropriate
measures of location and range	and range of data collected	reasoning from the scenario of "Rescue Me"
<b>■</b> ** ■	- calculate these measures of	<ul> <li>practice collecting data, displaying that in a frequency distribution table</li> </ul>
	location and range from data	- analyse data and draw conclusions
	represented in histogram, dot	- make recommendations from this
	plots etc.	
	<ul> <li>draw conclusions based on the</li> </ul>	
	analysis of data displays	

Stage 4 Science Topics: Safe Science & Working Scientifically			
Outcome	A student should be able to:	Teaching/Learning strategies	
4SC-4WS A student identifies questions and problems that can be tested or researched and makes predictions based on scientific knowledge a. identifying questions and problems that can be investigated scientifically b. making predictions based on scientific knowledge and their own observations	1.Identify the skills required by scientists to solve problems: question, discover, understand, compare, measure, observe, record, discuss, research, evaluate, plan, solve, discuss, and experiment.  2. Research and report on one Australian scientist. (Time restraints may not allow for this)	What is Science? What is a scientist? What are the skills of a scientist? Students need to become familiar with Science as a separate subject in high school.  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=de8OzOmUD7c  Teacher challenges class to make the connection between the object the teacher has brought into class or what they are doing. E.g. teacher uses a mobile phone and the class may respond by saying science has made it possible for wireless communication, or teacher places their reading glasses on and the class may respond by saying that science has discovered the use of lenses to improve people's vision or the teacher suddenly experiences pain and they take out a packet of Panadol making the connection between analgesics and other medicines. This exercise demonstrates that a problem is being solved by Science. Problems don't get solved by themselves.  They investigate and report on the work of one Australian Scientist. What problem were they trying to solve? How did they go about doing this? This activity can lead into the different strands of Science. (Time constraints may mean this activity is left to the end of the unit when the time needed to achieve meaningful research can occur. In this event the teacher may provide an example of an Australian Scientist that worked on solving a problem).	

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Outcome	A student should be able to:	Teaching/Learning strategies
4SC-5WS A student collaboratively and	3. Identify the scientific method	Students introduced to the scientific method. Teacher demonstrates a simple
individually produces a plan to investigate	as a way of investigating a	experiment, e.g. more bubbles form in hot water compared to cold water. This
questions and problems	problem scientifically.	experiment is conducted as a demonstration with the teacher purposely making
<b>WS5.1</b> Students identify data to be		mistakes, such as, putting more water in one jar than the other, or shaking one jar
collected in an investigation by:	4. Identify the different sections	more than the other. The students will hopefully respond that the teacher is not being
a. identifying the purpose of an	of a scientific report.	'fair'. The teacher can ask the following questions to get the students thinking about
investigation		the purpose of conducting fair experiments and the consequences of not doing this.
b. proposing the type of information and	5. Correctly identify independent,	How do we make the experiment fair? What is the purpose of making an experiment
data that needs to be collected in a range	dependent and controlled	fair? What are the consequences of not making an experiment 'fair'?
of investigation types, including first-	variables in an experiment.	
hand and secondary sources 🗏 🐲		Variables explained - any factor in an experiment that can cause an effect on the
c. locating possible sources of data and		results. Independent, dependent and controlled variables introduced as necessary for
information, including secondary		the experiment to produce <b>valid</b> results.
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sources, relevant to the investigation		Prior to students conducting practical investigations the following skills are taught:
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<b>WS5.2</b> Students plan first-hand		safety rules in the laboratory
investigations by:		<ul> <li>correct use of equipment including the Bunsen burner</li> <li>scientific drawing skills of equipment and experimental set-ups.</li> </ul>
a. collaboratively and individually planning		<ul> <li>scientific drawing skills of equipment and experimental set-ups.</li> <li>measuring devices used in science. e.g. stopwatches, thermometers, scales</li> </ul>
a range of investigation types,		
including fieldwork,		In doing this, the students are completing the same skills that the other Year 7 classes
experiments, surveys and		are completing that are not involved in the STEM project.
research (ACSIS125, ACSIS140)		
b. outlining a logical procedure for		
undertaking a range of investigations to		
collect valid first-hand data, including fair		
tests		

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Outcome	A student should be able to:	Teaching/Learning strategies
c. identifying in fair tests, variables to be		
controlled (held constant), measured and		
changed		
d. describing safety and ethical guidelines		
to be addressed 🍱 👬		
WS5.3 Students choose equipment or		
resources for an investigation by:		
a. identifying suitable equipment or		
resources to perform the task, including		
safety equipment and digital		
technologies 💻		
b. selecting equipment to collect data		
with accuracy appropriate to the		
task (ACSIS126, ACSIS141)		

Stage 4 Science Topics: Sa	fe Science & Working Scient	ifically
Outcome	A student should be able to:	Teaching/Learning strategies
4SC-6WS A student follows a sequence of instructions to safely undertake a range of investigation types, collaboratively and individually Students conduct investigations by: a. collaboratively and individually conducting a range of investigation types, including fieldwork and experiments, ensuring safety and ethical guidelines are followed (ACSIS125, ACSIS140) b. assembling and using appropriate equipment and resources to perform the investigation, including safety equipment c. selecting equipment to collect data with accuracy appropriate to the task (ACSIS126, ACSIS141) d. following the planned procedure, including in fair tests, measuring and controlling variables (ACSIS126, ACSIS141) e. recording observations and measurements accurately, using appropriate units for physical quantities f. performing specific roles safely and responsibly when working collaboratively to complete a task within the timeline g. assessing the method used and identifying improvements to the method (ACSIS131, ACSIS146)	<ul> <li>6. Perform a scientific investigation safely using scientific equipment in the correct manner and adhering to laboratory safety rules.</li> <li>7. Work collaboratively with other members in-group situations.</li> <li>8. Record group information using a web based storage application such as O365.</li> <li>9. Use appropriate units for data collected.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experiment: Students conduct and report on a simple experiment.</li> <li>Does water increase in temperature more than milk when heated for 5 minutes?</li> <li>Does a juice cup with the lid left on melt more than a juice cup with the lid removed?</li> <li>Does doubling the amount of water take twice as long to boil?</li> <li>Students would be provided with a suitable scaffold to complete the scientific report for this experiment. They cannot be expected at this stage to completely write a scientific report without some guidance. The partially completed scaffold provided will do this.</li> <li>Teacher checks the completed experiment scaffolds of the students and provides them with feedback on how to improve their written reports.</li> </ul>
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4SC-7WS A student processes and analyses data from a first-hand investigation and secondary sources to identify trends, patterns and relationships, and draw conclusions WS7.1 Students process data and information by: a. summarising data from students' own investigations and secondary sources (ACSIS130, ACSIS145)	10. Evaluate the effectiveness of different design features based on a set of criteria.	To establish the above skills in the students it is estimated to take approximately two weeks. During this time the students will have been working on the design of the car in TAS.  With the skills they have learnt in previous Science lessons students can now start designing an experiment to test their cars. They will need to identify the criteria whereby the cars will be judged.  Students discuss the criteria in which the cars are judged. From the scenario of problem given to the students, they may select a number of criteria. Some of the criteria may include:	
b. using a range of representations to organise data, including graphs, keys, models, diagrams, tables and spreadsheets  e. applying simple numerical procedures, e.g. calculating means when processing data and information, as appropriate		<ul> <li>fastest car to cover a set distance e.g. 20m</li> <li>car that fits through a set sized opening</li> <li>car that is able to carry a SOS note most securely and without getting wet</li> <li>car that is designed to be the most eye catching so that the postman is most likely to see it</li> <li>car able to negotiate uneven ground</li> </ul>	

Outcome	A student should be able to:	Teaching/Learning strategies
<b>4SC-8WS</b> A student selects and uses appropriate strategies, understanding and skills to produce creative and plausible solutions to identified problems <b>WS8</b> Students solve problems by: a. using identified strategies to suggest possible solutions to a familiar problem b. describing different strategies that could be employed to solve an identified problem with a scientific component c. using scientific knowledge and findings from investigations to evaluate claims (ACSIS132, ACSIS234) d. using cause and effect relationships to explain ideas and findings e. evaluating the appropriateness of different strategies for solving an identified problem	11. Modify design of car to improve performance based on criteria.	Following each test session students evaluate the success of their trial and determine modifications to be made to their design for improved performance. Some modifications may be made in Science lessons while others that require certain equipment will be made in TAS.

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4SC-9WS A student presents science ideas,	12. Present project to an	A final testing day will be determined to ultimately determine the overall 'winner'.
findings and information to a given	audience using assisted computer	Having an element of competition in the project provides the students with enthusiasm
audience using appropriate scientific	technology.	and a sense of competiveness that will hopefully provide a driving force for them to
language, text types and representations		achieve the best possible toothbrush car for their group. They use measuring devices to
<b>WS9</b> Students communicate by:		collect and record data that they will tabulate in Maths. The tabulated data will then be
a. presenting ideas, findings and solutions		graphically represented in Science and maths lessons.
to problems using scientific language and		
representations using digital technologies		
as appropriate (ACSIS133, ACSIS148)		NID Charles are assessed to fail sub as deciming their first to oth house, account on
b. using appropriate text types in		NB. Students are expected to fail when designing their first toothbrush-powered car.  They will be given two electric toothbrushes so a second car can be made using the
presentations, including a discussion,		information they collected from their first design.
explanation, exposition, procedure and		information they conected from their first design.
recount		
d. constructing and using a range of		
representations to honestly, clearly and/or		
succinctly present data and information		
including diagrams, keys, models, tables,		
drawings, images, flowcharts,		
spreadsheets and databases		
e. constructing and using the appropriate		
type of graph (histogram, column, sector		
or line graph) to express relationships		
clearly and succinctly, employing digital		
technologies as appropriate 🗏 🔍		



# Rescue Me

## **Design situation:**

#### Scenario - Rescue Me

A number of school students have been kidnapped and are being held in a house with no windows and soundproof walls. They have access to a recycling bin which includes many household items such as plastic bottles and cardboard boxes. They must construct some sort of conveyance which will be capable of sending a rescue message, which will be sent through a small gap in the wall. A guard walks outside the house to prevent the students from escaping. The students are hoping to send an SOS note that will coincide with the postman as he delivers mail to the letterbox. Needless to say, the note needs to make contact with the postman without the guard noticing - it must make the 10 metre distance in a very short period of time. (This distance may change depending on the criteria established by the students). This is the only hope the students have of escaping!!

TAS will be involved in the design and construction of the rescue device. Science will test the design of the device and record data using measuring devices. The scientific method will be used to conduct a fair test resulting in credible and reliable results. In Maths, students will be involved in measuring angles, bisecting lines and angles, calculating speeds and displaying collected data.

### **Design brief:**

Working as part of a collaborative team to complete the following:

4. Design and construct a car, powered by an electric toothbrush motor that satisfies a number of criteria determined by the class.

Your task will involve designing a motorised conveyance from everyday materials.

- Students explore variables such as shape, wheel sizes, lengths and width etc.
- Students apply knowledge gained through research and experimentation to develop optimum speed and efficiency in the rescue vehicle, and produce a prototype for testing.
- Students make decisions and explain principles based on mathematical evidence.
- 5. Design and construct a device to measure and display the output of electrical energy from your wind turbine.
  - Students explore variables in the design and construction of circuits to measure electrical energy.
  - Students apply knowledge gained through experimentation to develop a vehicle that will satisfy all of the design parameters, and solve the design problem in the best possible time in the most reliable manner.
  - Students explain principles based on mathematical evidence.
- 6. Use measuring devices to ascertain times and therefore most effective design.

#### **Common assessment:**

Each team will produce a design folio documenting design, criteria for success, research, experimentation, production and evaluation.

- Design sketches, photos, design modification, justification of design decisions and final design.
- Criteria for success will be established early in the project and be used as an ongoing evaluation tool to monitor progress and determine success.
- Research information from a range of sources used to make informed design decisions.
- Experimentation testing car, making modifications, recording and presenting data
- Production documentation from initial ideas to finished product (video, webpage)
- Evaluation justification of decisions made to meet the need identified in the design brief.

## Rubric: This is an example as assessment will vary depending on task and context.

Grade	Area	Criteria
	Science	Demonstrates deep knowledge of the design features of a toothbrush powered car to satisfy set criteria.  Clearly identifies all components of the scientific method.  Analyses data from experiments and clearly presents findings using tables and/graphs.  Clearly justifies decisions made to design and clearly evaluates.  Communicates comprehensive understanding of scientific ideas, and related evidence for a particular purpose and audience.  Works effectively as a safe, productive and enthusiastic team member.
Α	Technology	Works in a co-operative and co-ordinated manner in a group situation to solve design problems.  Analyses data from research and experimentation and uses this to justify decisions when following a design process to produce an optimal vehicle design.  Produces a vehicle which achieves all outcomes of the design brief with outstanding: speed, reliability quality, and finish.  Demonstrates a deep understanding of the use of a design process to evaluate design through a well-documented design portfolio.
	Mathematics	Calculates ratios and rates, solves real- life problems involving ratios and rates, and converts information into a simplified rate. Define and label angles. Recognises the geometrical properties of angles at a point complimentary, supplementary and adjacent angles. Identifies straight angles, revolution, vertically opposite angles. Identifies properties of special quadrilaterals, line and rotational symmetry, determine lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of polygons.  Displays data effectively and demonstrates understanding of measures of location and range Communicates mathematically, problem solves and reasons when justifying solutions to solve the problem.
В	Science	Demonstrates good knowledge of the design features of a toothbrush powered car to satisfy set criteria.  Clearly identifies most components of the scientific method.  Analyses data from experiments and presents findings using tables and/graphs.  Clearly justifies decisions made to design and evaluates.  Communicates good understanding of scientific ideas, and related evidence for a particular purpose and audience.  Works effectively as a safe and productive team member.

Grade	Area	Criteria
	Technology	Works in a co-operative manner in a group situation to solve design problems.  Evaluates data from research and experimentation and uses this to justify decisions when following a design process to produce a vehicle design which satisfies all criteria for design of the vehicle.  Produces a vehicle which achieves all outcomes of the design brief with high: speed, reliability quality, and finish.  Demonstrates a good understanding of the use of a design process to evaluate design through a well-documented design portfolio.
	Mathematics	Calculate ratios and rates, solves some problems involving rates or ratios. Define and label angles. Recognises the geometrical properties of angles at a point complimentary, supplementary and adjacent angles. Identifies straight angles, revolution, vertically opposite and adjacent angles. Identifies properties of special quadrilaterals, line and rotational symmetry, determine lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of polygons. Displays data well and demonstrates an understanding of measures of location and range Communicates mathematically for some strategies and describes solutions to solve the problem.
	Science	Demonstrates a sound knowledge of the design features of a toothbrush powered car to satisfy set criteria.  Identifies some components of the scientific method.  Analyses data from experiments and presents findings using tables and/graphs.  Shows some justification of decisions made to design and attempts to evaluate.  Communicates good understanding of scientific ideas, and related evidence for a particular purpose and audience.  Works effectively as a safe and productive team member.
С	Technology	Works in a reasonable manner in a group situation to solve design problems.  Uses data from research and experimentation and make decisions when following a design process to produce a vehicle design which satisfies criteria for design of the vehicle.  Produces a vehicle which achieves outcomes of the design brief with sound: speed, reliability quality, and finish.  Demonstrates an understanding of the use of a design process to evaluate their design through a design portfolio.
	Mathematics	Calculates simple ratios and rates.  Defines and labels angles. Recognises some angle properties.  Identifies straight angles, revolution, vertically opposite and adjacent angles.  Identifies properties of special quadrilaterals. Determine lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of polygons.  Can display data and applies knowledge of some measures of location and range Communicates the strategies used and describes a solution to solve the problem.
D	Science	Demonstrates a basic knowledge of the design features of a toothbrush powered car to satisfy set criteria.  Identifies some components of the scientific method.  Attempts to analyse data from experiments and attempts to present findings using tables and/graphs.  Shows basic justification of decisions made to design and shows basic evaluation.  Communicates good understanding of scientific ideas, and related evidence for a particular purpose and audience.  Makes some contribution to the workings of the team.

Grade	Area	Criteria
	Technology	Works in a group situation to solve design problems.  Uses data from research and experimentation and make when following a design process to produce a vehicle design which satisfies most of the criteria for design of the vehicle.  Produces a vehicle which achieves some outcomes of the design brief with: Basic speed, reliability quality, and finish.  Produces a design portfolio.
	Mathematics	Calculates some ratios and rates. Defines and labels some angles. Recognises some angle properties. Identifies some angles as straight angles, revolution, vertically opposite and adjacent angles. Identifies properties of some special quadrilaterals. Determine lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of some polygons.  Can display data and analyse to a basic level.  Communicates some information and shows the mathematics they are using to solve the problem.
	Science	Demonstrates a limited knowledge of the design features of a toothbrush powered car to satisfy set criteria.  With assistance identifies some components of the scientific method.  Limited analysis of data from experiments and some attempt made to present findings using tables and/graphs.  Shows limited justification of decisions made to design.  With guidance communicates elementary understanding of scientific ideas.
E	Technology	Makes some contribution to the workings of the team.  Works ineffectively in a group situation to solve design problems.  Works towards a vehicle design which attempts to satisfy the criteria for design of the vehicle.  Works towards producing a vehicle which achieves some outcomes of the design brief with basic: speed, reliability quality, and finish.  Works towards producing a design portfolio.
	Mathematics	Calculates some ratios and rates. Labels some angles. Recognises some angle properties. Identifies some angles as straight angles, revolution, and vertically opposite. Identifies properties of some special quadrilaterals. Determine some lines of symmetry and the order of rotational symmetry of some polygons.  Poor data display and little data analysis evident.  Communicates some information about the strategy used to solve the problem.