

## Kindergarten Strand K.3 Forces, Motions, & Interactions Mystery Science Scope and Sequence Salt Lake City School District 2023-2024

#### Strand K.3: FORCES, MOTION, AND INTERACTIONS

The motion of objects can be observed and described. Pushing or pulling on an object can change the speed or direction of an object's motion and can start or stop it. Pushes and pulls can have different strengths and different directions. A bigger push or pull makes things go faster and when objects touch or collide, they push on one another and can change motion.

**Standard K.3.1 Plan and conduct an investigation** to compare the <u>effects</u> of different strengths or different directions of forces on the motion of an object. Emphasize forces as a push and pull on an object. The idea of strength should be kept separate from the idea of direction. Non-contact forces, such as magnets and static electricity, will be taught in Grades 3 through 5. (PS2.A, PS2.B, PS2.C, PS3.C)

**Standard K.3.2 Analyze data** to determine how a design solution <u>causes</u> a change in the speed or direction of an object with a push or a pull. Define the problem by asking questions and gathering information, convey designs through sketches, drawings, or physical models, and compare and test designs. Examples of problems requiring a solution could include having a marble or other object move a certain distance, follow a particular path, or knock down other objects. (PS2.A, PS2.B, PS2.C, PS3.C, ETS1.A, ETS1.B, ETS1.C)

Instructional Pacing for Strand K.3				
Jan 8 Pre-Assessment of Unit	Jan 16	Jan 22	Jan 29	
	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Lesson 3	
Feb 5	Feb 12	Feb 20	Feb 26	
Lesson 4	Lesson 5	Lesson 6	Unit Assessment	

## Scope and Sequence Force Olympics Unit

Date, SEEd Standard,	Materials and Assessment
& Mystery Science Lesson	
Preparing for this unit	Student Handouts Pages 33-41
Force Olympics Unit	
In this unit, students are introduced to pushes	
and pulls and how those affect the motion of	
objects. Students observe and investigate the	

effects of what happens when the strength or direction of those pushes and pulls are changed.

### Jan 8

Objective: Students design a problem they would like to solve and then design a solution using what they know about the locations of objects and how they can move.

#### SEEd Standard K.3.2

Science and Engineering Practice: Analyze

Data & Design Solutions

**Crosscutting Concept:** Stability & Change

#### **Disciplinary Core Ideas:**

PS2.A Forces and Motion

**PS2.B** Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

ETS1.A Defining and Delimiting an Engineering

Problem

ETS1.B Developing Possible Solutions

ETS1.C Optimizing the Design Solution

Have students complete the Lesson 6 assessment as a pre-assessment to compare growth from the beginning of the unit to the end of the unit.

#### **Pre-Assessment**

Lesson 6 Assessment

#### Jan 16

Objective: Students observe different machines and use those observations as evidence for why machines make work easier.

#### **SEEd Standard K.3.1**

Science and Engineering Practice: Plan and conduct an investigation.

**Crosscutting Concept:** Cause & Effect

## **Disciplinary Core Ideas:**

PS2.A Forces and Motion

PS2.B Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

## Lesson 1: What's the biggest excavator?

In this lesson, students discover that there are pushes and pulls involved in any kind of work, including the work done by machines. In the activity, "Be a Digging Machine," students pretend to use shovels and excavators to dig a hole for a swimming pool.

## **Materials per Student**

No supplies needed.

#### **Literature Connection**

Readworks.org

The Flying Machine

Epic Books

Construction Machines: Excavators

Construction Vehicles: Excavators

#### Vocabulary

Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish

#### Assessment

Lesson 1 Assessment

### Jan 22

Objective: Students observe construction equipment being used in different ways to move objects.

#### SEEd Standard K.3.1

Science and Engineering Practice: Plan and conduct an investigation.

**Crosscutting Concept:** Cause & Effect

Disciplinary Core Ideas:

PS2.A Forces and Motion

PS2.B Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

## Lesson 2: Why do builder's need so many machines?

In this Read-Along lesson, Vivian watches a house being built and wonders why the builders need so many big machines. The lesson includes a short exercise where students act out the "work words" of their favorite machine. You can extend the lesson with the optional activity, Forces at Work, where students watch videos of construction equipment and practice using work words to describe what the machines are doing.

## **Materials per Student**

No supplies needed.

#### **Literature Connection**

Readworks.org

- Engineers solve problems
- Will you push or pull?

Unite for Literacy

- Farm tractors at work
- How does a crane work?

## Readworks.org

Engineers solve problems

## Epic Books

- D is for Dump truck
- Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction
   Site
- Mighty, mighty, construction site
- Community Helpers: Construction Workers

## Vocabulary

Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish

#### Assessment

#### Lesson 2 Assessment

As an optional activity, we suggest watching videos of construction equipment. Then, discuss what each machine does and identify the "work words" involved.

Each of these made-for-kindergarteners videos introduces a different type of construction equipment.

- **<u>Bulldozers</u>** push piles of dirt and sand.
- Cranes lift heavy objects.
- <u>Trucks</u> of all kinds carry or pull heavy things from one place to another.

#### Jan 29

## Materials per Student

Game station set printout.

Objective: Students carry out an investigation to determine how far back they should pull a model wrecking ball to knock down a wall, but not the houses behind it.

#### SEEd Standard K.3.1

Science and Engineering Practice: Plan and conduct an investigation.

**Crosscutting Concept:** Cause & Effect

## **Disciplinary Core Ideas:**

PS2.A Forces and Motion

**PS2.B** Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

## Lesson 3: <u>How can you knock down a wall</u> made of concrete?

In this lesson, students change the strength and direction of a wrecking ball's push in order to solve a tricky problem. The activity, Don't Crush That House, is a game in which students experiment with the force of a paper wrecking ball to knock down a wall of cups. The challenge is: they cannot knock down the paper houses!

Blank paper

Scotch tape

Yardstick or meterstick

## In your Mystery Pack

String

## In your Shared Supply Box

2" Binder clips Masking tape Solo cups 9 oz

#### **Literature Connection**

Readworks.org

- Stuck in the Snow
- Paddle a canoe

## Epic Books

- Loaders
- Cranes
- Dump Trucks
- Hooray for Construction Workers!
- Construction Crew
- Let's meet a construction worker

#### Vocabulary

Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish

#### Assessment

Lesson 3 Assessment

#### Feb 5

Objective: Students play a game of bumper bowling to observe the way that objects can move in straight lines, zigzags, and back and forth.

#### SEEd Standard K.3.2

**Science and Engineering Practice:** Analyze

Data & Design Solutions

**Crosscutting Concept:** Stability & Change

## **Disciplinary Core Ideas:**

PS2.A Forces and Motion

PS2.B Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

#### **Materials per Student**

Hardcover books

Yardstick or meterstick

#### **In your Mystery Pack**

Tennis balls

## In your Shared Supply Box

Masking tape

Solo cups 9 oz

#### **Literature Connection**

- Readworks.orgBowling
- Racing across the water

ETS1.A Defining and Delimiting an Engineering Problem

ETS1.B Developing Possible Solutions ETS1.C Optimizing the Design Solution

# Lesson 4: <u>How can you knock down the most bowling pins?</u>

In this Read-Along lesson, Daniel worries he will not do well at a friend's Bumper Bowling party...until he figures out an unexpected way to win. The lesson includes a short exercise where students act out bowling. If you want to extend the lesson, you can try this optional activity, Human Bumper Bowling, where students make a model bumper bowling alley and work together to knock down pins.

#### Feb 12

Objective: Students investigate how to protect a town from a falling boulder. They design a solution to safely guide the direction of the boulder away from the town.

## SEEd Standard K.3.2

**Science and Engineering Practice:** Analyze

Data & Design Solutions

**Crosscutting Concept:** Stability & Change

**Disciplinary Core Ideas:** 

PS2.A Forces and Motion

PS2.B Types of Interactions

PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces

ETS1.A Defining and Delimiting an Engineering

ETS1.B Developing Possible Solutions

ETS1.C Optimizing the Design Solution

## Lesson 5: <u>How can we protect a mountain</u> town from falling rocks?

In this lesson, students investigate how pushes can change the speed and direction of falling objects. In the activity, Boulder Bounce, students play a game where they

## **Epic Books**

- Construction Machines: Bulldozers
- Construction Machines: Concrete mixers
- Construction Machines: Front end loaders
- Construction Machines: Backhoe Loaders
- Construction Machines: Flatbed trucks
- Shape up: Construction Trucks
- What do construction workers do all day?

## Vocabulary

Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish

#### Assessment

Lesson 4 Assessment

### **Materials per Student**

Tiny Town houses printout

Clipboard

Hardcover books

#### **In your Mystery Pack**

Dixie cups (3 oz)

Push pins.

Ping Pong Balls

#### In your Shared Supply Box

2" Binder clips Masking tape

## **Literature Connection**

Readworks.org

- Will you push or pull?
- Who Can pull harder?

## Epic Books

- Pushing and pulling
- Changing Direction
- Disaster Zone: Landslides

## Vocabulary

Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish

design a solution that protects a model town called Tiny Town from a bouncing-ball Assessment "boulder." Lesson 5 Assessment Feb 20 **Materials per Student** Blank paper Objective: Students design a problem they Crayons would like to solve and then design a solution using what they know about the locations of **Literature Connection** objects and how they can move. Readworks.org Edison Tried and Tried Again SEEd Standard K.3.2 Ben Franklin's Idea **Science and Engineering Practice:** Analyze Ben invented Swim Fins Data & Design Solutions Epic Books **Crosscutting Concept:** Stability & Change Inventions help us **Disciplinary Core Ideas:** 21st century inventions: GPS PS2.A Forces and Motion technology **PS2.B** Types of Interactions PS2.C Stability and Instability in Physical Systems 21<sup>st</sup> century inventions: Electric cars PS3.C Relationship between Energy and Forces • 21<sup>st</sup> Century inventions: Drones ETS1.A Defining and Delimiting an Engineering ■ 21<sup>st</sup> Century inventions: Robots Problem 21<sup>st</sup> Century inventions: 3-D Printers ETS1.B Developing Possible Solutions ETS1.C Optimizing the Design Solution Vocabulary Lesson 6: How could you invent a trap? Student slideshow: English | Spanish Teacher printout: English & Spanish In this Read-Along lesson, twins Mimi and Lulu try different ways to catch a mysterious Assessment nighttime visitor...until they hit on just the Lesson 6 Assessment right solution. The lesson includes a short exercise where students imagine how to design a good monster trap, and then pretend to be sneaky monsters. You can extend the lesson with the optional activity, Be an Inventor, where students draw their own inventions for machines that do chores.

#### **Feb 26**

Have students complete the Lesson 6 assessment to compare growth from the beginning of the unit to the end of the unit.

#### Assessment

Lesson 6 Assessment