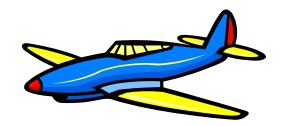
Powered Flight

Aircraft Design Activity

Situation

Design and make a powered aircraft using given materials and using the 'power pole' as a source of power.



Resources

Time 15-20 class periods

People One or two Energy Electrical

Information History of flight, ratios, four in

flight forces (thrust, lift, weight, drag), Bernoulli's principle, Bernoulli's equation

calculations, airfoil design

Money None

Tools Hot glue gun, razor saws, x-

acto knives, Styrofoam wire cutter, computer, plotter,

Foilsim software

Materials Styrofoam, DC motors, balsa

wood, propellers, craft sticks, paper, tissue paper, Elmer's glue, hot glue sticks, any other

approved by teacher

Space No limitation

Other Criteria

- The aircraft must maintain smooth flight for an extended period of time.
- The aircraft must maintain elements of safety during operation.
- Attention must be paid to the aesthetic value of the aircraft.

Required Documentation

The following must be handed in your design portfolio at the end of the activity:

- 1. Research sources and notes.
- 2. Design sketches, notes, and drawings from all group members.
- 3. One final design drawing (to be completed before you receive materials).
- 4. Records of all tests and adjustments.