Problem Description

NASA wants to discover if there is life on the moon. NASA needs to launch a rocket to reach the moon. It's key to note that the more air pressure created the more power the rocket gains for it to be launched higher. Help NASA build a rocket to find out if life exist on the moon!

Teacher preparation

- Read the activity teacher guide to be familiar with the concept of building the activity
- Build a sample of the activity
- Gather materials needed

Materials needed for this activity

- 1 Storage tote "Toolkit" (refer to appendix for detailed material list)
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Constraints

- The student is expected to finish activity within 45-50 minutes timeframe.
- Every engineering design step has a specific time limit.

Learning outcomes:

- The student must show an understanding of the problem
- The student must show an understanding of the solution and the purpose of the solution
- The student must be able to plan/design the solution
- The student must be able to implement their plan to the solution with the materials provided at hand
- The student must be able to test the solution
- The student must be able to understand why the solution does/not work
- The student must show an understanding of the engineering design process steps

Introducing the activity

- Distribute materials to the students
- Introduce activity
- Proceed to the Engineering design process steps

Engineering Design process steps

- Step 1: Ask (Duration = 5 minutes)
 - What is the problem that NASA is facing? (Learning outcome 1)
- **Step 2: Imagine and plan** (Duration = 10 minutes)
 - Questions

- What does NASA need to be able to get to the moon? Why does NASA need a rocket to be built? (*Learning outcome 2*)
- How can we make/build a rocket? (Learning outcome 3)
- Task
 - Have the students draw out their designs of the rocket on paper
- Step 3: Create (Duration = 20 minutes)
 - Questions
 - Using the materials provided at hand, how will you make the rocket? (*Learning outcome 4*)
 - Task
 - Show the students the possible designs diagram then let them create the rocket
- Step 4: Test (Duration = 5 minutes)
 - Question
 - To check if the rocket works, we should test that it will be launched at a high distance, How can we test if the rocket works? (*Learning outcome* 5)
 - Task
 - Have the students test their rocket designs by going outside to the playground. The student should launch the rocket by jumping on the *** to release the air inside. The air moves to the !! of the rocket, if the rocket launches then it is a success.
- Step 5: Improve (Duration = 5 minutes)
 - Debriefing through the following questions
 - For the bridges that collapsed, Why did the bridge collapse? How can we re-make the bridge to improve it? (*Learning outcome 6*)
 - What have you learned ? (Learning outcome 7)

Adjusting difficulty (Optional)