



**THREAD:** Investigation

**AOLE: Science & Technology**

Progression Step 1

Knowledge and Skills	Vocabulary	Experiences and Characteristics
<p>Use the senses to help me talk about what I can explore</p> <p>Ask questions about what might happen and how things work</p> <p>Talk about what I am doing and say what I think might happen e.g. The higher the ramp the faster the car will travel</p> <p>Engage and explore a range of resources that can link to scientific ideas</p> <p>Use age-appropriate technical vocabulary</p> <p>Understand how to handle resources safely</p> <p>Talk about what I have found out</p> <p>Record what you have found out as a group and with support e.g. JIT5</p> <p>Say what is the same and what is different</p>	<p>Question</p> <p>What do you think will happen if...?</p> <p>Equipment</p> <p>What can you see?</p> <p>What can you hear?</p> <p>Make</p> <p>Design</p> <p>Create</p> <p>How we do it</p> <p>Tell me/prove it (Explain)</p> <p>Fair</p> <p>How do we make sure this is fair?</p>	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <p>Use outdoor learning to generate questions</p> <p>Immerse learners in DCF, Science and Design and Technology e.g. through tuff trays and role play areas</p> <p>To complete an investigation and record the findings. (Plan, Develop, Reflect)</p> <p>To engage children through the wonders of science Eg.  <a href="https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo">https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo</a></p> <p>Opportunities to research from a variety of sources.</p> <p><b>Enrichment</b></p> <p>To participate in a scientific and/or a technological project. E.g. XL Wales, Lego League</p> <p>STEM ambassadors</p> <p>Link with local businesses</p>



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<p>Record results in a table and a suitable bar chart</p> <p>With support select appropriate equipment and use safely</p> <p>Begin to link patterns within results to their knowledge and understanding of the world / scientific understanding</p> <p>Share resources and findings with others online e.g</p> <p>To analyse simple data. Eg. Biggest bar on graph etc</p> <p>Understand what appropriate websites are and how to identify them</p> <p>Understand that reliability is linked to being trustworthy</p> <p>To share resources and findings with others online using a range of methods</p> <p>To use appropriate sources for research.</p>	<p>Accurate</p> <p>Predict eg. “er” sentences – the greater the amount of ice, the longer it will take to melt.</p> <p>Apparatus</p> <p>Explain</p> <p>Design and Create</p> <p>Pattern (data)</p> <p>Things we change</p> <p>Things we measure</p> <p>Things we keep the same</p> <p>Odd/Unexpected Results</p> <p>Observations</p> <p>Record</p> <p>Constant</p> <p>Evidence</p> <p>Information</p> <p>Online collaboration</p> <p>Sort and Compare</p> <p>Product</p> <p>Group</p> <p>Describe</p> <p>Differences</p> <p>Planning</p> <p>Construct</p>	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <p>Use outdoor learning to generate data</p> <p>To complete an investigation and record the findings. (Plan, Develop, Reflect)</p> <p>To engage children through the wonders of science Eg.  <a href="https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo">https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo</a></p> <p>Opportunities to research from a variety of sources.</p> <p><b>Enrichment</b></p> <p>To participate in a scientific and/or a technological project. E.g. XL Wales, Lego League</p> <p>STEM ambassadors</p> <p>Link with local businesses</p>

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Knowledge and Skills	Vocabulary	Experiences and Characteristics
Identify relevant sources	Independent, Dependent, control Variables	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <p>To complete an investigation where you can identify the independent, dependent and control variable(s)</p> <p>To engage with a range of investigative skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• observation over time</li> <li>• sorting and classification</li> <li>• pattern seeking (eg. Is there a link between height and shoe size) researching evidence from secondary sources,</li> <li>• justifying opinions using evidence / own ideas</li> <li>• fair test</li> </ul> <p>To engage children through the wonders of science Eg.  <a href="https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo">https://spark.iop.org/collections/marvin-and-milo</a></p> <p>Opportunities to research from a variety of sources.</p> <p>To create data from outdoor learning activities</p>
Analyse reliability of sources	Predict eg. “er” sentences – the greater	
Obtain results from an activity	(independent variable) the amount of ice, the longer	
Identify any anomalies and use repeatable results to calculate a mean value	(dependent variable) it will take to melt.	
Find /Create and analyse data. (offline and digitally)	Fair test	
Collaborate and share information online, eg Teams, Google Docs	Conclusion	
Make observations	Evaluate	
Ask relevant questions	Analyse	
Identify the independent, dependent and control variable(s)	Correlation	
Record results in a table and a suitable line graph and frequency chart (digitally and offline)	Research	
Record results in a simple online bar graph	Testing	
Write a prediction, method and conclusion	Method	
Research and evidence findings using copyright law.	Scale	
Ability to break up (chunk) a problem before investigation	axis	
	Copyright	
	Anomalies (odd results)	
	Repeatable results	
	Referencing	
	Success criteria	
	Line of best fit	
	Trend	
	comparison	
	Loop / repetition	
	Justify	
	Relevance	
	Reliability	
	Range	
	Justify	

Understand a process (flowchart)	Frequency Flowchart Mean Sum (Total) Max (Highest value) Min (Smallest value) Average	Use a range of software to share and collaborate online  <b>Enrichment</b> To participate in a scientific and/or a technological project. E.g. XL Wales, Lego League STEM ambassadors (website community link) <a href="https://www.stem.org.uk/stem-ambassadors">https://www.stem.org.uk/stem-ambassadors</a> Link with local businesses Residential Trip
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Progression Step 4		
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Apply outcomes/findings from research sources to determine the outcome.	Link	<b>Essential</b> To undertake a range of investigation methods including observation, questionnaires, and interviews.  Independently use a range of software to share and collaborate online  To be able to display information graphically using a range of appropriate methods  To complete an investigation where you can identify the independent, dependent and control variable(s) and to suggest ways of how the control variable(s) remain(s) constant
Compare a range of results from an activity.	Quantify	
Find /Create and analyse data then present in a way appropriate to the information.	Elaborate	
Independently choose a method to collaborate and share resources online.	Develop	
Asking open ended and using deeper questioning.	Compare	
Ask follow up questions.	Interpret	
Make observations which links the research findings allowing it to be used to drive the task or outcome	Hypotheses	
Evaluate findings from graph data to find trends / patterns.	Quantitative	
Identify and explain anomalies	Qualitative	
Identify reproducible results	Reproducible	
Write a qualitative and quantitative prediction	Sequence	<b>Enrichment</b> To participate in a scientific and/or a technological project. E.g. XL Wales, Lego League STEM ambassadors (website community link) <a href="https://www.stem.org.uk/stem-ambassadors">https://www.stem.org.uk/stem-ambassadors</a> Link with local businesses Residential Trip
Write a method and conclusion with detailed interpretations and evaluations	Recursion	
Use results to make further predictions	Estimate	
	Flowchart / Pseudocode	
	Independently	
	Copyright and Patents Act 1988	

Ability to act responsibly as a creator or user of work when researching online. (e.g. Copyright and Patents Act 1988)

Construct a process diagram to visually display instructions / methods (e.g. flowchart / pseudocode)