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Task Information

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Introduction

Carnivals consisting of entertainment, rides and showbags have long been a tradition in Australia. The first Royal Show, held in Parramatta in 1823, focussed on agriculture, and soon included the introduction of free sample bags (later to become show bags). By 1920 a lively Sideshow Alley was featured.

*Photo courtesy of Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.
Establishment of Sideshow Alley 1920*



The Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society of South Australia was established in 1844, with shows initially held at Botanic Park and moving to its current location at Wayville Showgrounds in 1925.

Other events outside the Royal Show that also have a carnival atmosphere include circus events, fetes, street parades, markets and festivals.

In Carnival Capers you will learn about some of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics that goes into the planning and running of carnivals.

“Life is a ticket to the greatest show on Earth.”

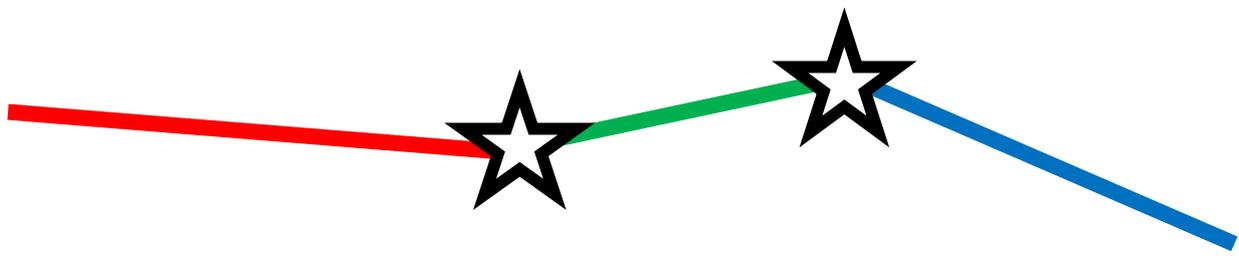
Dr Martin H. Fischer (Physician and Author)

“Happiness is a carnival game. It’s never as easy as it looks, but the dumb ones always seem to be walking around with a big stuffed animal.”

Dov Davidoff (American Comedian)

“Treat life a Ferris wheel ride. You must get past the fear to enjoy the view.”

Linda Poindexter (Author/Writer)



Carnival Capers

The STEM Innovation Experience (STEMIE) will focus on the STEM skills required to plan and run a carnival, including aspects of side show game design, developing a ticket entry system to the venue, investigating the science of show rides, and budgeting to make a profit from the event.

The Requirements

Carnival Capers will require completion of the following tasks:

- Research into the science behind carnival rides including a scientific investigation into a feature of a specific ride, as outlined in the Science Component.
- Design a prototype of an entry system for your carnival, as outlined in the Technology Component.
- Design and create a functioning side show game, as outlined in the Engineering Component.
- Creation of an interactive spreadsheet that considers carnival profits and losses, as outlined in the Mathematics Component

Your school also needs to produce a Summary Report with a brief outline about how STEMIE was delivered in your school and the learning that was involved. This summary report will be used in the event of a tie at the Regional Showcase.



<https://www.smh.com.au/national/a-history-of-the-royal-easter-show-20130315-2g5e0.html>



STEMIE – The Three Parts

STEMIE will consist of three parts:

- The Learning Phase
 - Students will complete the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics tasks, based around their chosen theme, at school and attend a progress meeting via Zoom to provide evidence of learning. To qualify for the Regional Showcase, a completed Summary Report will need to be submitted.
- The Regional Showcase
 - This part will consist of an online event with Adelaide University staff judging the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics components that have been completed at school. Schools will have a 1 ½ hour judging timeslot to demonstrate their work in these four areas. At the conclusion of all judging, the winning schools will be notified via email. In the event of a tie between schools within a region, the Summary Report will be used as a tie breaker to decide the winner.
- The STEMIE Excursion
 - The winning school from each Regional Showcase event will be offered the opportunity to attend a full day excursion at an Adelaide University campus to experience hands-on STEM activities. Details of dates and locations will be sent to winning schools. This excursion is optional, and any unclaimed spaces will be offered to additional students and/or other schools.

STEMIE – Referencing

Research elements used within STEMIE Submissions and at the Regional Showcase need to be referenced. The preferred style of referencing may vary between each school participating in STEMIE.

Adelaide University Outreach recommends using the SACE Guidelines (or equivalent in each state) for Referencing Documents when submitting work for assessment within STEMIE.

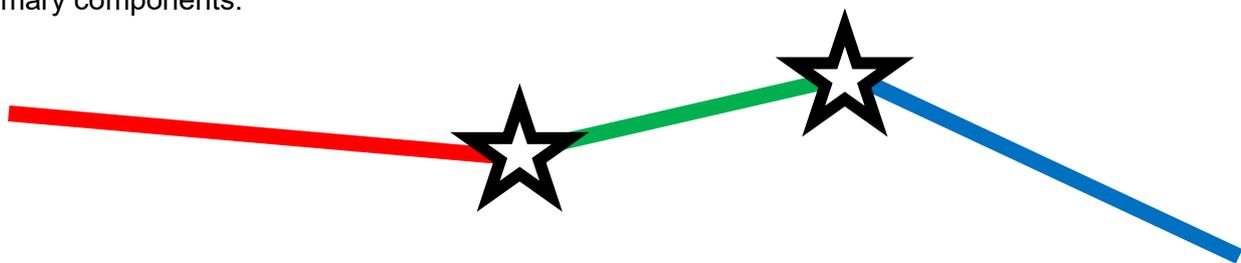
The Student Guide to Referencing and Guidelines for Referencing documents can be found at this link <https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/learning/research-advice/referencing>

STEMIE – The Learning Phase

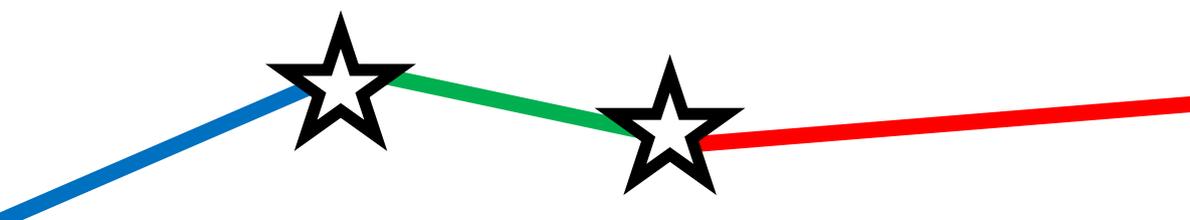
School Leaders and Teachers can choose how they implement The Learning Phase in their school. Components within The Learning Phase have been developed to be scalable from a small group of students to multiple classes interacting in the experience.

Throughout the Learning Phase, students will work on the tasks at school. Each school will need to book a progress meeting with Adelaide University staff at some stage during the learning phase. The meeting will need a teacher and student representatives in attendance and will take approximately 30 minutes to discuss what has been achieved to date. Additional time will be allocated at the conclusion to allow for any questions or task clarifications, ideas and/or feedback.

The range of assessment tasks requires team members to hold varied skill-sets, so working in teams with complementary abilities is advantageous. There are five key components within The Learning Phase – the Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Overall Summary components.



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Science Component

Science Component – Background Information

Carnival rides are a fundamental part of carnivals and first appeared in the 18th century. These rides were relatively small, made of wood and powered by people. In 1868 steam powered rides were developed including the famous carousel ride.

Many carnival rides are designed to be quickly set up and taken down, allowing for transport to other locations. Carnival rides cater for people of all ages and people enjoy the effect from the motion of the rides, but safety is always a consideration. Qualified inspectors check the safety of these rides and this requires a strong understanding of science.



Carnival rides vary from the child friendly carousel rides and miniature railways to the thrill-seeking sling shots and adrenaline pumping roller coasters.

Combinations of circular motion, gravity, inertia, and potential and kinetic energy create the falls, spins, twists and even weightlessness sensations on carnival rides.

Science Component – The Requirements

As a group, investigate the science behind carnival rides.

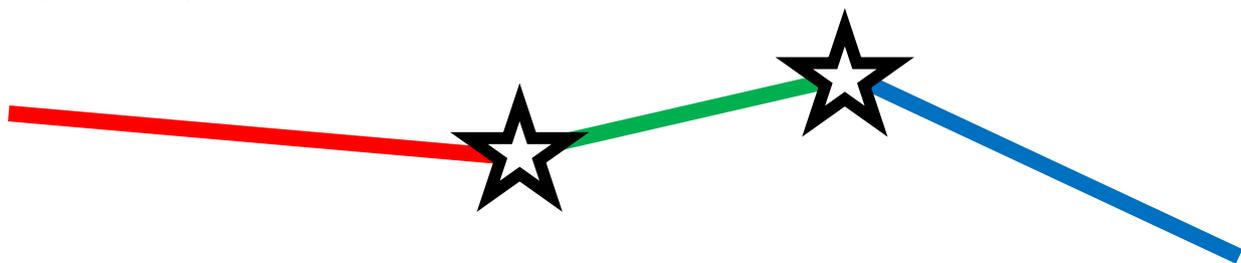
Choose a ride and investigate how it works.

Complete an investigation into one specific aspect of a carnival ride.

Note – Unsafe investigations are not permissible. Ensure that any experiments follow your school's safety procedures and are approved by the relevant people in your school.

This can be achieved by completing some or all of the following:

- Research various types of rides (e.g. merry go round, Ferris wheel, sling shot, ghost train, pirate ship) and the science of keeping them within a safe limit.
- Create and conduct a practical investigation methodology into an aspect of a ride.
- Analyse results and draw conclusions from the practical investigation.
- Adhere to school laboratory safety when conducting the practical investigation.
- Discuss and critically analyse the practical investigation methodology, with reference to strengths and improvements.



Science Component – Practical Investigation

The practical investigation methodology needs to be created to account for a specific aspect of a carnival ride. The purpose for conducting this investigation is to support the research about carnival rides and develop an understanding of how safety limits might be applied.

Ideas for this investigation could include:

- Momentum and motion practicals
- Centripetal forces
- Investigating dizziness, the effects of spinning on balance
- The psychological effects of being scared on a ghost train (heart rates, etc.)
- Other relevant sets of conditions

The methodology for the investigation can vary from school to school, however the format should consider the following headings:

Practical investigation methodology of carnival ride experiment

- Hypothesis
- Aim
- Materials
- Method (including any safety requirements)

Results and conclusion from carnival ride experiment

- Results
- Conclusion

Discussion and analysis of the investigation methodology

- Accuracy and precision of methodology
- Sources of random error
- Sources of systematic error
- Suggested improvements and limitations

Science Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to deliver a formal presentation to a workplace safety representative (Adelaide University Staff) and demonstrate how they know their ride is safe.

This presentation will be held via Zoom; judging timeslots will be booked via email with Adelaide University staff.

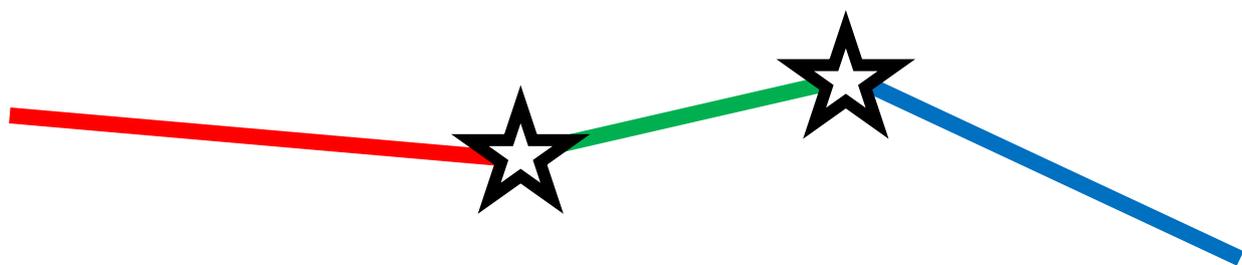
The presentation should be a maximum of seven (7) minutes, with up to an additional three (3) minutes for questions from the workplace safety representative (Adelaide University Staff).



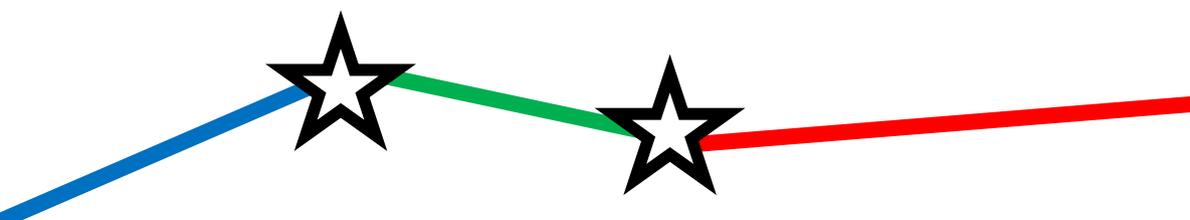
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Science Component

School: _____

Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
1. Summary of the history and regulations of carnival rides.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
2. Understanding of the science behind a specific carnival ride.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
3. Incorporation of research and practical results into presentation to make informed decisions about the ride experience and its safety.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
4. Delivery of content knowledge, including the ability to answer questions posed by Adelaide University Staff.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
5. Communication and interaction with Adelaide University Staff, including the use of visual aids and appropriate presentation timing.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
Total Marks:		/15



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Technology Component

Technology Component – Background Information

Monitoring the number of people at a venue is an important aspect for the safety of patrons, as well as an essential part of monitoring profits and losses from entry ticket sales. Many companies develop software and systems to improve the process of entering major event venues, making it easier to track the attendance rates.



Technology Component – The Requirements

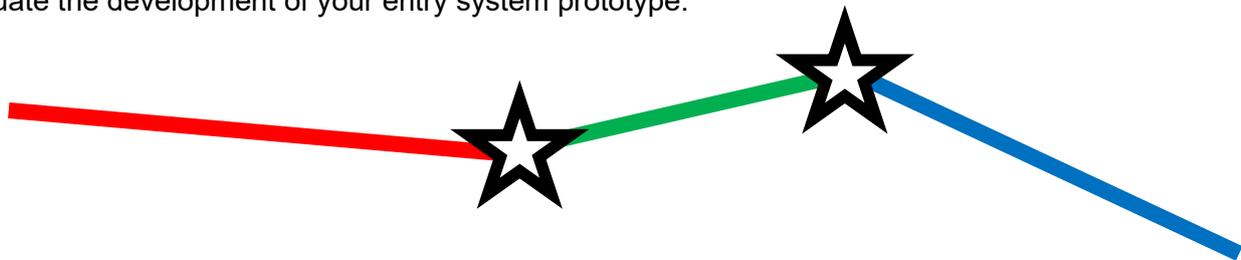
Create a functioning prototype of an entry system.

This should include:

- Clear instructions on how to pass through the entry system
- Ability to count patrons entering the venue
- Ability to count patrons exiting the venue
- A 3D printed component in your prototype
- A team member/s to trouble shoot sample codes

This can be achieved by completing some or all of the following:

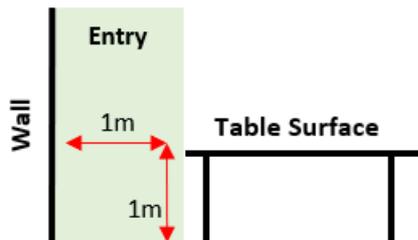
- Brainstorm and investigate entry systems.
- Develop an entry system that counts entry and exit of patrons.
- Develop a way to make your entry system automated.
- Design and create a 3D printed component using a CAD program for your prototype.
- Investigate additional ways to make your ticket system more effective.
- Evaluate the development of your entry system prototype.



Technology Component – Entry System Prototype

Create an entry system that can count the entry and exit of patrons. This prototype must incorporate a way of counting patrons using Arduino coding (manual input or sensor inputs). Computer Aided Design (CAD) software can be used to create 3D printed components for your entry system. The physical attributes of the entry system do not have to be to scale but must be able to demonstrate the functionality of the prototype at the Regional Showcase.

At the Regional Showcase the entry system prototype will need to be set up on a table 1m from the ground, and 1m from a wall to create the entry gateway. All patrons testing the entry system at the Regional Showcase must be over 1m tall.



The entry system prototype must be able to account for people entering through the 1m wide, 1m high, gateway. However, physical devices like boom gates do not have to be to scale - they only need to demonstrate the functionality.

Along with testing the functionality of the device, Adelaide University Staff will ask students to find simple errors in a sample code. These will be at an introductory coding level.

Technology Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to demonstrate their working entry system prototype.

At a minimum, the device should be able to record people entering and exiting. Additional features could include linking the entry system to a live display of the number of patrons or proceeds, accounting for various types of tickets (e.g. complimentary, family, visitor passes that allow you back in) or visual cues for when the next person can enter.

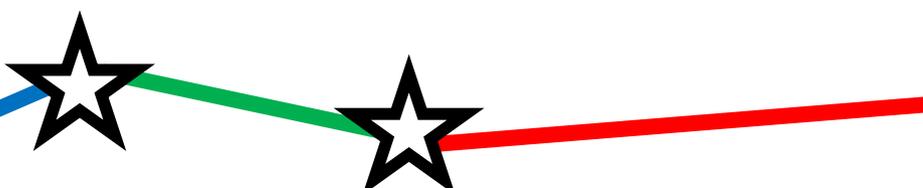
It is recommended that a device such as an iPad or mobile phone is linked to the Zoom meeting to allow judges to see the device from different angles if requested.

Programming Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

Along with demonstrating their entry system, students will also be required to complete a trouble shooting activity to find simple errors in a section of Arduino code. The errors will be based on an introductory level to coding with Arduino.

The Adelaide University Staff will judge the entry system against the Technology Marks Sheet criteria. For additional functions and features to be awarded marks, they must be successfully demonstrated in the allocated judging time.

Each school will have a maximum of 10 minutes to demonstrate their entry system prototype. We recommend the prototype be set up before the judging time allocation to streamline the judging process.

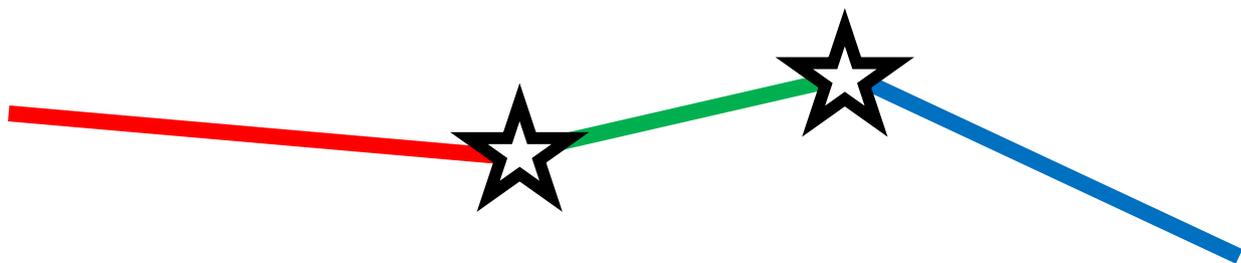


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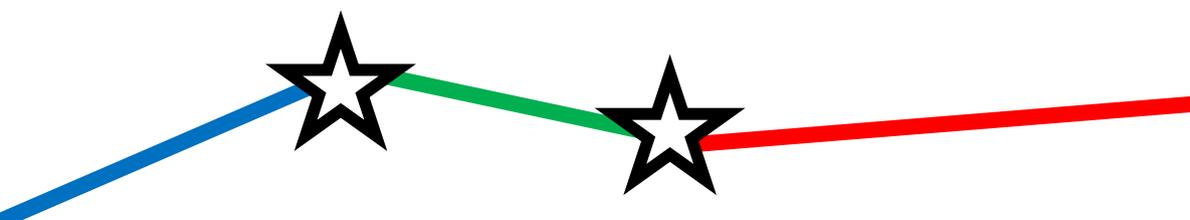
Technology Component

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Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
3D printed component	1 Mark – Printed but has visible scaffolding/rafting or general flaws in the print, and no obvious function in the device 2 Marks – Well printed but only serves an aesthetic purpose Or 3 Marks – Well printed and has a set function in the device	
Input Detection <i>Does the ticket system count?</i>	1 Mark – Can detect but count is inaccurate 2 Marks – Can detect and count accurately but requires manual input (e.g. button) Or 3 Marks – Can detect and count accurately and autonomously (e.g. sensor)	
Output Response	+1 Mark – Visual output on entry/exit +1 Mark – Audio output on entry/exit +1 Mark – Displays the number of patrons at the venue	
Additional Features <i>These must be successfully demonstrated within the judging time limit</i>	+1 Mark – Additional relevant feature is successfully demonstrated within the time limit +1 Mark – Another additional relevant feature successfully demonstrated +1 Mark – Another additional relevant feature successfully demonstrated	
Can find errors in the sample code	1 Mark – Can find 2 errors in the sample code +1 Mark – Can find additional errors in the sample code +1 Mark – Can find all errors in the sample code	
Total Marks:		/15



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Engineering Component

Engineering Component – Background Information

Side show games can vary from skill-based games, such as shooting basketball hoops, to those based on pure luck, such as choosing a floating rubber duck to reveal a number that corresponds to a prize. Many side show games are aimed at the family market, appealing to both children and adults.



Throughout history, side show games have had a reputation for cheating their players, but well-designed games, based on either probabilities or skills, can still create a profit while being reputable. The most profitable games factor in how easily the game can be won and allocate prizes accordingly.

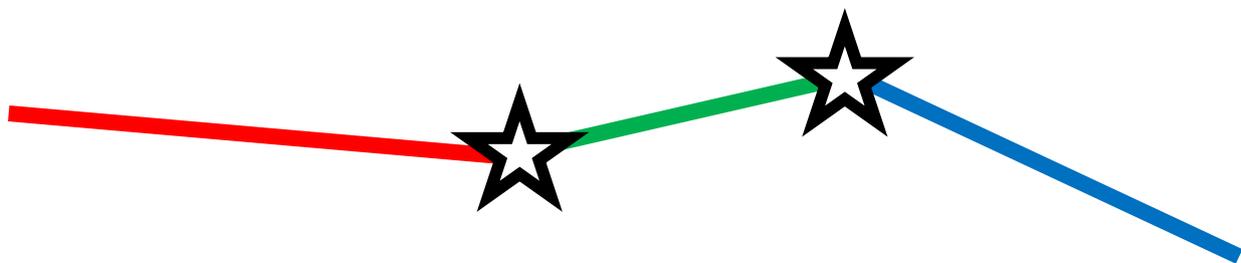
Engineering Component – The Requirements

Design and construct a functioning side show game that will be played by students during the Regional Showcase to demonstrate the game in action.

Note - Ensure that any equipment or practices are suitable for safe indoor participation and are approved by the relevant people in your school.

This can be achieved by completing some or all of the following:

- Brainstorm and investigate existing side show games.
- Sketch designs for construction and testing.
- Test the properties of different types of construction materials (e.g. glue, masking tape, Lego, balsa wood, etc.) to evaluate the best construction method.
- Construct and test the side show game.
- Explain the functions of the preferred design.
- Produce sketches of the chosen design (by drawing and/or CAD packages).
- Construct the chosen design for playing at the Regional Showcase event.



Engineering Component – Prototype Requirements

The game must be suitable to play indoors. If there is a throwing aspect of the game, netting may be required to contain the game within the area specified. Any materials can be used in construction except entirely pre-constructed game devices. The game needs to be appealing to play but at the same time not too easy to win so that profits are maximised.

Side Show Game Specifications

- Must be suitable to play indoors
- Must be able to be played repeatedly on the day
- Pre-existing games in their entirety cannot form any part of the prototype
- The supply of building materials is the responsibility of the school

Playing specifications

- The game will need to be set up ready to play before the judging timeslot begins.
- A student will need to demonstrate the game in action live during the Regional Showcase judging allocation.
- We recommend having either an iPad, mobile phone or similar device connected to the Zoom meeting to allow judges to view the game from requested angles.
- The game will need to be played a number of times to demonstrate repeatability during the allocated judging time.
- The game playing may use an allocation of imaginary cash to demonstrate the likelihood of winning the prizes or making a profit in the process of playing the game.
- There will be a profit margin score based on the appeal of the game versus the difficulty to win the major prizes. Games that give no prizes away will potentially lack repeat plays; games that give prizes away too easily will not make a profit.

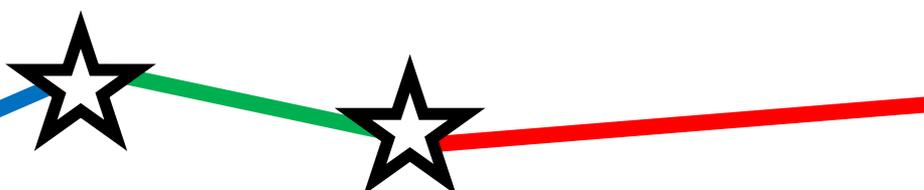
Engineering Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, judging will be online via Zoom. We recommend having a mobile device or similar connected to the meeting to allow the judges to view the game from requested angles. The side show game will need to be set up before the judging commences.

A member of the team will need to demonstrate the game in action as requested by the Adelaide University Staff.

Games can be “staffed” by another member of the team to reset the game as required (unless the game can function completely autonomously).

Schools will be marked against the supplied criteria; additional features must be demonstrated during the game play.

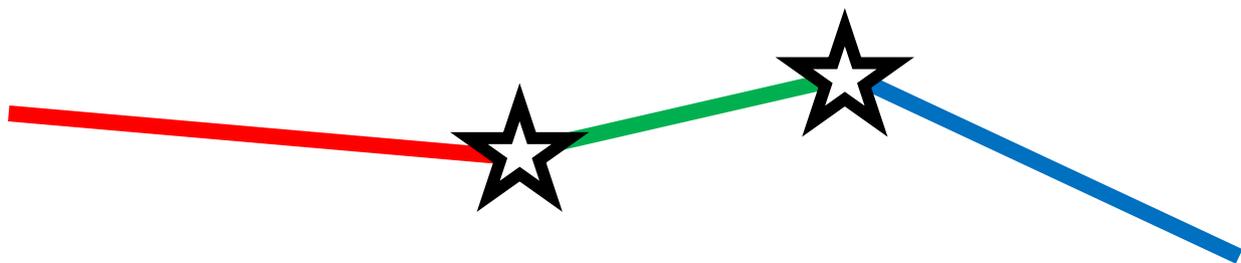


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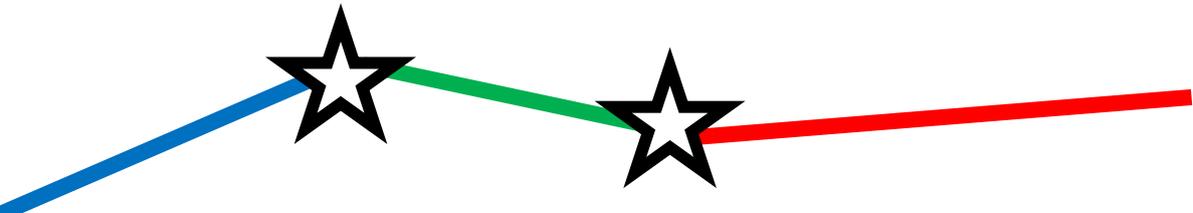
Engineering Component

School: _____

Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
Functionality <i>Game design and presentation</i>	1 Mark – Game has clear concept but not fully functional Or 2 Marks – Game has clear concept and fully functioning game play +1 Mark – Game is presented well to attract participants +1 Mark – Has a moving component in the game + 1 Mark – Game is not too easy to win, has the potential to make a profit.	
Accuracy <i>Clear prize levels</i>	1 Mark – How to win a participation prize is clear, but how to win minor or major prizes is unclear Or 2 Marks – How to win a participation, minor and major prize is clear + 1 Mark – Game functions accurately as designed +1 Mark – Game accurately displays the score	
Autonomy	1 Mark – Has an automated audio component +1 Mark – Has an interactive audio or visual component +1 Mark – Can reset autonomously	
Additional Features	+1 Mark – Additional relevant feature +1 Mark – Additional relevant feature +1 Mark – Additional relevant feature	
Total Marks:		/15



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Mathematics Component

Mathematics Component – Background Information

Carnivals have a small window of opportunity to create a profit compared to venues that are open all year round. Perth Royal Show was in jeopardy when, in the years 2015 and 2016, it incurred an almost 5 million dollar loss. Losses were also recorded for many Agricultural Societies in the first year of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020. Profits need to be maximised to ensure the events can withstand disruptions and run again in the future.

In the early days, market stalls were often incorporated into the carnival, but these days food stalls dominate this profitable area. Other profits are gained from ticket sales, carnival rides and side show games. Show bags were initially free sample bags until the introduction of brightly decorated bags for the cost of a small fee, competing for income from the younger consumer market.



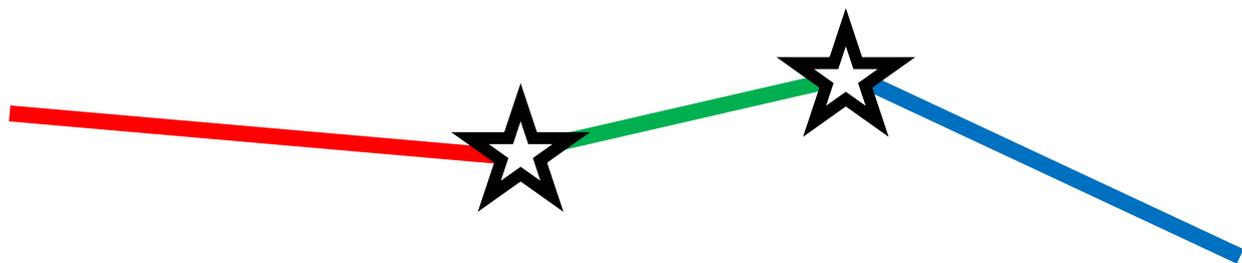
Royal Easter Show in Sydney 2019 attracted 900,000 show goers through the gates over the 12 days and sold over 1.6 million show bags*. It's not always easy to sell merchandise though; just look at the impact of COVID-19 which stopped many shows occurring at all.

*<https://www.eastershow.com.au/about-us/media/press-releases/>

Mathematics Component – The Requirements

Create a dynamic, interactive spreadsheet that can account for various costing aspects of running a carnival and predict the profit/loss for your carnival, based on attendance numbers.

List any assumptions made in your spreadsheet calculations and prepare answers for the seen questions.



Mathematics Component – Carnival Capers Budget Breakdown

The spreadsheet should include:

- Ticket sales (can include various levels, adult/child/family/complimentary)
- Income from show bag sales
- Income from side show games (this can be linked with the engineering task)
- Income from show rides
- Income from food stall sites
- Running costs (including venue hire, staffing, show bag purchases)
- Graph showing total profit/loss

Note – Food stall sales and marketing costs for your show do not need to be considered.

A spreadsheet will need to be created (including a graph) that can account for changes in profit/loss when there is an increase or decrease in the estimated number of patrons attending. This spreadsheet will be demonstrated at the Regional Showcase.

Mathematics Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to present their budget and spreadsheet to Adelaide University Staff for judging. Schools will be assessed by means of Question and Answer. From a list of five (5) seen questions, students will need to respond to two (2) questions chosen by the judge, before being asked to respond to one (1) unseen question. Students will also need to demonstrate how the spreadsheet can recalculate the carnival profit/loss when there are changes to attendance numbers and running costs.

Each school will be allocated 10 minutes to answer questions in their timeslot for judging at the Regional Showcase. The spreadsheet will need to be shared from the device that is connected to the Zoom meeting to allow judges to view it.

Adelaide University Staff will ask for a brief explanation and overview of the spreadsheet before they assess the responses to the two (2) seen and one (1) unseen questions.

As they will also ask for a demonstration of the dynamic spreadsheet, the spreadsheet will need to be shared in the meeting.

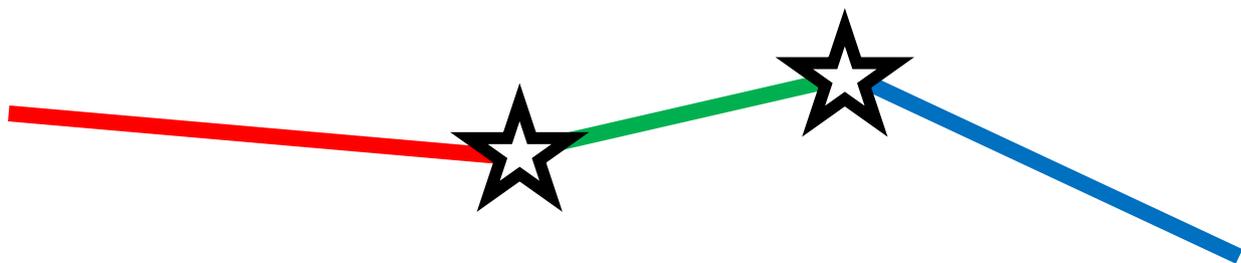


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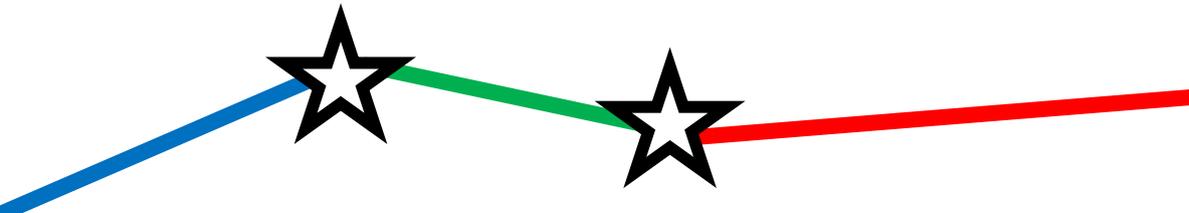
Mathematics Component

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Questions	Marks Available	Total Marks
1. Describe how you accounted for show bag profits.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
2. Explain how you worked out costing for the show rides.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
3. Explain how many people need to attend your event to break even.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
4. Reflect on your graph showing the total profit/loss.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
5. Justify how you intend to maximise profit from the side show games.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
Demonstrate 2 variations using your spreadsheet (as requested by the Adelaide University Staff). Spreadsheet variation 1 – Show how a change in the number of people attending will impact on your carnival profit/loss. Spreadsheet variation 2 – Show how a change in the running costs will impact on your carnival profit/loss.	3 2 1 0 3 2 1 0	
Unseen Question 1.	3 2 1 0	
Total Marks:		/15



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Progress Meeting and Overall Summary Component

Background Information

At school, students will need to work through STEMIE and then discuss their learning with Adelaide University staff at a progress meeting. This meeting can involve all the students that have been involved or a small group of representatives. A STEMIE teacher will also need to be present at the meeting. Schools will need to book a 30-minute Zoom meeting to be held in term 2 or term 3. While every effort will be made to accommodate preferred session times, some negotiation may be required to finalise a time. At the end of the 30-minute progress meeting, there will be the option to stay on for an optional Q and A session. Sessions can be booked by emailing the STEMIE contact from Adelaide University.

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that progress has been made throughout The Learning Phase. It also allows the Adelaide University team to gather information relating to the implementation of STEMIE at each school site, and to gather any evidence of promotion of STEM within the school and the local and broader communities.

The Progress Meeting

The meeting will cover:

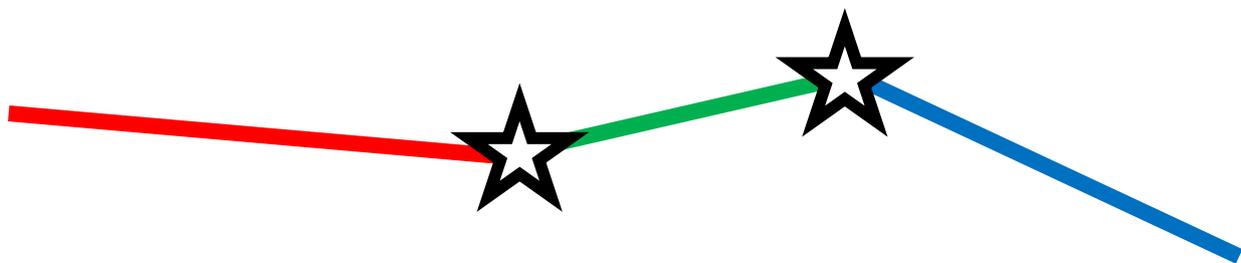
- Discussion about the STEMIE team, who is involved, how it is delivered, and what theme has been chosen.
- Discussion about the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics tasks and the progress so far, and future plans to complete them.
- Discussion of any issues that have occurred.
- Opportunity at the end to ask questions about the tasks/rules/showcase requirements, etc.

Overall Summary Component – The Requirements

The Overall Summary Component consists of information about how STEMIE was delivered in the school and how the STEM challenges were completed.

A copy of the Overall Summary Report will need to be emailed to the Adelaide University STEMIE contact. This task, along with the progress meeting, will be requirements for qualification to present competitively at the Regional Showcase.

In the event of a tie at the Regional Showcase, the Overall Summary Report will be used as the tiebreaker.



Overall Summary Report:

- Length must not exceed 2 pages
- The report must contain information about:
 - What theme was chosen for STEMIE and why
 - Who was involved (year level, number of students, teachers, community members, etc)
 - How was it run (in class as a subject, lunchtime STEM club, etc)
 - Summary of the learning that occurred in STEMIE
 - What problems occurred and how they were overcome
 - How STEMIE was promoted in the school, local, or broader community (this can include screenshots of newsletter articles, etc)
 - A reflection on your learning from the STEMIE theme you have chosen including an informed decision, conclusion or comment.

Progress meetings will be held throughout terms 2 and 3. Session times can be booked by emailing the Adelaide University STEMIE contact person.

Reminder emails to book progress meetings will be sent to the school key contact teachers.

Schools are welcome to assess components of STEMIE within school structures, but any assessment by Adelaide University is only to confirm qualification for the Regional Showcase.

For a school to qualify to compete at their Regional Showcase event, they will need to demonstrate progress at the meeting and provide the summary report.

Any unsuccessful submissions will have feedback and an opportunity to resubmit. Credit earned in the process of qualifying for the Regional Showcase event does not carry over into the event. That is, each school starts on an even level at the commencement of the Regional Showcase event.

Regional Showcases and The STEMIE Excursion

One school from each Regional Showcase will progress to the STEMIE Excursion. Winning schools will be contacted via email once all schools in the region have completed the judging process.

The school that wins their Regional Showcase event will be invited to the STEMIE Excursion, to be held at Adelaide University, in November. Specific details will be supplied to winning schools.

In addition to the winners of the Regional Showcase events, there may be potential Wildcard entries into the STEMIE Excursion. These positions will be awarded to schools by Adelaide University Outreach at the conclusion of all the Regional Showcase events.

The excursion component allows students to experience hands-on STEM learning at the University Campus and possible networking with other like-minded students with a passion for STEM.

Any unclaimed places for the excursion will be offered to students on the waiting list or students at other schools.



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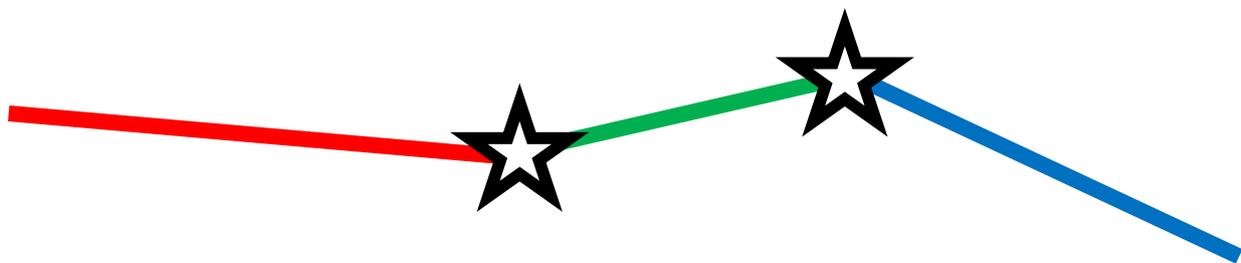
Rules and Requirements

STEMIE Rules and Regulations

- While there is a competitive aspect to STEMIE, where possible, schools are actively encouraged to collaborate to share ideas, methodologies, and resources.
- Accessing assistance from the wider community is also encouraged, should the required expertise to complete tasks not be available within the school.
- The first point of contact for any questions or queries relating to STEMIE is the task booklet linked to the theme chosen.
- Additional questions can be sent to Anita.Trenwith@Adelaide.edu.au. Teachers and their students are welcome to use this address to get assistance with their work.
- Question and Answer sessions can also be booked by schools (subject to staff availability). This will allow an Adelaide University staff member to Zoom link with your students and answer any potential questions they have or provide feedback on their ideas.

STEMIE Regional Showcase Judging Requirements

- To qualify for the Regional Showcase event, schools need to attend a progress meeting and submit the Overall Summary Report Component.
- Any additional tasks completed in STEMIE can be used for internal school assessment but do not need to be submitted to Adelaide University.
- It is the responsibility of each school to ensure that the requirements for assessment at the Regional Showcase event are set up and that devices required to demonstrate the work during the Zoom meeting are functional.
- Each of the Regional Showcase elements will have an allocated judging time, and this will need to be strictly adhered to. Content of presentations or answers to questions that exceed the allocated judging time will not be considered.
- The supervision of students and set up of equipment for the Regional Showcase event is the responsibility of the school.
- Please ensure you have tested your devices and installed any required apps to access Zoom prior to the allocated judging time. One device must be portable during the judging of the technology and engineering tasks to allow the judges to view the prototypes from requested angles.
- The Progress Meeting session needs to be booked in term 2 or 3. The Summary Report must be emailed to the Adelaide University STEMIE contact prior to the confirmation of the Regional Showcase Judging timeslot.
- It is the responsibility of the school to keep copies of all work.
- Please ensure the student team representing the school and presenting ANY CONTENT at the Regional Showcase does not exceed a total of six (6) students.
- Teachers contributing to content during the judging allocations could result in the team being disqualified.
- Additional students and teachers are welcome to watch the presentations and assist with IT issues, holding cameras, etc. but cannot be part of the official team of six that deliver any content that is judged.



STEM Innovation Experience

Regional Showcase

STEMIE – The Regional Showcase

Signed Adelaide University Media Release Forms must be supplied for anyone attending a Regional Showcase or STEMIE Excursion. These will be supplied via email to the key contact teacher once the judging timeslot is confirmed.

Once qualified, a team of up to six (6) students will represent your school. Students will present a selection of their work in a judging timeslot via Zoom for the Regional Showcase.

Each school will be judged on the following:

- Science Component – Formal presentation of the learning in the science activity.
- Technology Component – Judging of the Arduino-coded prototype linked to their chosen theme.
- Engineering Component – Judging the function of the Engineering prototype.
- Mathematics Component – “Question and Answer” session of seen and unseen questions and demonstration of their dynamic spreadsheet.

The dates for each of the Regional Showcase events are as follows:

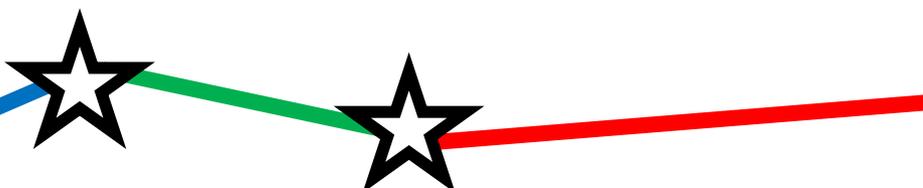
- Allocation of judging timeslots opens in August; links will be sent to the school's contact teacher.
- Judging occurs as per allocated timeslots.
- Emails will be sent to announce the winners of each Regional Showcase once all the schools within that region have completed the judging process.

Schools will need to have the following on the day:

- Six (6) student representatives to present to judges, and their teacher to supervise.
- Presentation materials for the science component.
- Arduino-coded Prototype for demonstration.
- Engineering device to be tested and judged.
- Dynamic spreadsheet and prepared answers to seen questions.
- Access to the Zoom link that will be sent to the school contact teacher on an iPad, Tablet, mobile device, or similar to allow judges to view prototypes.
- Access to the Zoom link on a device that can share science presentation content and/or the mathematics spreadsheet.

Each school will be allocated a total of 1 ½ hours for their official judging timeslot, during which they will complete all assessments for the Regional Showcase event. Students and their teacher will be required to be logged into the Zoom meeting for the duration of the judging timeslot.

In the event of a tie within a region, the Overall Summary Report will be used to determine the winner. This needs to be emailed to the Adelaide University STEMIE contact person before the Regional Showcase Judging occurs.



STEM Innovation Experience Task Information

The STEMIE Excursion

STEM Innovation Experience – STEMIE Excursion

The winners from each of the Regional Showcase events and any Wildcard entries will be invited to attend the STEMIE Excursion to be held at the Adelaide University.

The STEMIE Excursion will consist of a series of hands-on engaging STEM activities, many offering opportunities not easily available to school students. This can include activities such as using University equipment to complete hands-on STEM activities, soldering electronics kits to keep, accessing tours of University facilities, meeting academics and researchers, etc. The excursion will be held in November. Specific details will be sent to winning schools once the Regional Showcases have all been assessed.

A maximum of six (6) students per participating school, accompanied by their teacher, will be invited to attend. Additional students can be added to the wait list and if places become available, they can also join the excursion. The teacher will have duty of care for their students at all times, including lunch breaks.

All students who participate in the STEMIE Excursion will require a signed Adelaide University Media Release Form.

Note – Transport of students to and from the STEMIE Excursion (including any accommodation for regional winners) is the responsibility of the school.

Further details about the event will be provided via email to the Regional Showcase event winners and any Wildcard entries closer to the date.

If you have any questions about STEMIE you can email

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