

Write It, Do It

Description	One student will write a description of an object and how to build it, and then the other student will attempt to construct the object from this description.
Time Limit	25 minutes to write the directions, 20 minutes to construct the apparatus
Team Size	2 Students
Details	 The student is shown an object built from items such as straws, push pins, paper, Styrofoam balls, paper cups, popsicle sticks, Legos, K'nex, pipe cleaners, etc. The competitor has 25 minutes to write a description of the object and how to build it. There is no advantage to finishing early. The "writer" is not allowed to touch the device. Only letters and numbers may be used. The student may type their description if they have brought their own computing device to class. All abbreviations must be defined either at the beginning or when the abbreviation is first used. (even distances) The teacher will pass the description you have written to your team member who will have 20 minutes to recreate (build) the original object.
Competition Scoring Notebook Requirements	 The team that builds the object nearest to the original and has properly written instructions will be declared the winner. Points will be given for each piece of material placed in the proper location when compared to the model. The overall points for this project will be between 40 and 60 points. Time taken for the construction phase will be used as a tiebreaker. Strategy Notes Practice Run Directions (2)
	 Practice Run Analysis (1) Practice Run Score Sheet (1) Notebook Points: 25
Timeline	Practice Runs on: Competition Date:



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Write-It, Do-It Example Score Sheet (Partial)

(____/12) Section 1: Basics & South Quadrant

- _____ Base is X-side Up
- ____ There is a Push Pin (PP) in the center of the X
- _____ This PP is green
- _____ There is a PP in the bottom right corner
- _____ This PP is blue
- ____ It is on the line about 1 inch from the corner
- _____ There is a paper clip near the bottom of the block
- ____ It is on the short edge/side of the base
- _____ Paper clip is unfolded once at the first outer bend
- _____ Rest of the loop points straight up
- _____ Pink bead is on paper clip
- _____ It is put on correctly (see picture)

(____/6) Section 2: Pipe Cleaner

- _____ There is a pipe cleaner in the southern quadrant of the model
 - Pipe cleaner goes from bottom right PP to center PP to paper clip
- On bottom right it is wrapped around metal part of PP
- _____ Wrapped around plastic body of center PP
- _____ Wrapped around paper clip on bottom (unbent) segment
- ____ There is no overhang beyond either PP (Pipe cleaner ends at Pps)

(____/8) Section 3: Twine Array

- _____ There is a PP in the center of the left quadrant
- _____ This PP is red
- _____ There blue twine pinned under the PP
- _____ There is about ½ inch extra twine beyond PP
- _____ Other end of twine s pinned under center PP
- _____ The twine is taut between the 2 pins
- _____ There is a yellow dot sticker near the center
- _____ It is entirely in the northern quadrant but as far south as possible

(____/15) Section 4: Popsicle Stick Array

- _____ There are 2 toothpicks in center of northern quadrant
- _____ Toothpicks are in line N/S with taller toothpick to the south
- _____ There is a popsicle stick propped up on edge between the two toothpicks
- _____ Stick is flush with base
- _____ ~1 inch of popsicle stick extends to the right of the toothpick
- _____ There is a clothespin clipped to the popsicle stick so that the open prongs point straight up
- _____ Clothespin is about half way along length of popsicle stick.
- ____ There is a balloon on the clothespin





