WeDo Mars Rover

WHAT: The Lego WeDo is a robotics kit that contains a motor, sensors, and a variety of Lego parts that can construct robots and kinetic sculptures. Program your WeDo creation using the tablet software.

YOUR CHALLENGE: Collect rock and soil samples from the Martian crust using your Mars Rover Robot.

CAN YOU:

- Design a track in the shape of a quadrilateral. Use painters tape to mark the corners of your track so you can reposition if needed.
- Program your rover to travel to each point of your track to simulate picking up samples.







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- You were just notified that you missed a sample. Can you program the rover to go backwards to retrieve it?
- Can you edit your code to use fewer blocks?
- → Add a victory sound at the end?

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/e5/Pathfinder01.jpg

WeDo 2.0 Tips





Starting from Scratch

- 1. Tap this icon to start a new program
- 2. Tap the books to hide the "Getting Started" guides

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3. Tap the picture of the WeDo Hub in the bottom right hand corner to start the pairing process





4. Press the green button on top of the WeDo Hub then select the right number Hub on the tablet. (Each WeDo hub has a numbered sticker on the front)



5. When the blue light comes on the WeDo Hub you are ready to start programming!

Coding Math Stories

WHAT: Scratch Jr. uses color-coded "blocks" that can be dragged down into the programming area to tell a character to do something (move, talk, jump, etc). These blocks can be snapped together to create more complicated instructions.

YOUR CHALLENGE: Create a math story problem based on

an addition or subtraction equation in Scratch Jr.





CAN YOU:

- Create an equation with a missing addend?
- An action that uses a repeat or wait block?
- → A character that has your face? (hint: camera feature)
- → A character that talks using speech bubbles or sound?



WHAT: 3D printing is a process used to create a physical object from a digital model. The cost of 3D printers has declined significantly over the past few years and you can now get a high quality printer (like our Printrbot) for around \$400.

YOUR CHALLENGE: Design a city scape using 3-dimensional shapes. The foundation (base) of your city needs to have an area of 36 inches squared.



CAN YOU:

- → Identify the attributes of each building? Or
- → Can you create different buildings with the defining attributes of a cube? A prism?
- Design a public sculpture that has a cylindrical base?
- → Include a waterway and engineer a bridge For cars and pedestrians to cross?





How to Teach Math Using Tinkercad and Fusion 360 By Tinkercad for Education

At its most basic, 3D design is the creation of an object which has three dimensions (height, width, depth). The output of 3D designs can range from skyscrapers to electric cars, even an animated character you might see in a Pixar film. Not only is 3D design a great entry point to a variety of STEAM fields, but the skills students develop directly relate to math proficiencies including the ability to:

- Understand and manipulate fractions
- Name and classify shapes
- Understand and manipulate angles
- Explore transformations
- Work with and convert units of measurement



To give you a sense of what this looks like in practice, here are a few concepts you might explore with your students using 3D design, categorized by grade and <u>Common Core Math Standards</u>:

<u>Kindergarten</u>

- Identify and describe shapes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.K.G.A). For example, using Tinkercad, "Can you place a sphere next to a cube?"
- Analyze, compare, create and compose shapes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.K.G.B). In Tinkercad, use two pyramids to create a shape with six corners.
- Describe and compare measurable attributes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.K.MD.A). Use Tinkercad to create an object and then describe its measurable attributes.
- Classify objects and count the number of objects in each category (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.K.MD.B.3). Use Tinkercad to create two categories of objects, then describe how each category is different and count the number of objects in each category (ex: 3 red cubes and 2 blue spheres).

<u>Elementary</u>

- Reason with shapes and their attributes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.1.G.A). For example, using Tinkercad, "Can you create three different objects with the defining attributes of a cube?"
- Reason with shapes and their attributes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.2.G.A). For example, using Tinkercad, "Can you create a sphere that is 1/2 red and 1/2 blue?"
- Reason with shapes and their attributes (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.3.G.A). For example, using Tinkercad, "Can you partition a shape into four equal parts, making each quarter a different color?"
- Represent and interpret data (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.3.MD.B). For example, have students take
 measurements of a real-world object (a simple shape like a tissue box is a good start) and then create a
 3D model of the object in Tinkercad using the measured dimensions.
- Develop understanding of fractions as numbers (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.3.NF.A.1). For example, use a 3D printer to create the <u>Beast Belly Fraction Game</u> (pictured below). In this game, your students will use 3d printed tokens that represent various fractions to "fill the beast's belly" by creating a perfect 1 whole.
- Geometric measurement: understand concepts of angle and measure angles (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.4.MD.C.5). *For example, in Tinkercad, "Can you rotate an object by 120 degrees?"*
- Geometric measurement: understand concepts of volume (CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.5.MD.C.3). For example, using Tinkercad, find the volume of a right rectangular prism by packing it with uniform cubes.

Source: http://www.instructables.com/id/So-You-Want-to-Teach-Math-Using-3D-Design/

Tinkercad is a free online tool that can be used for 3D modeling. The 3D models can be exported to the .stl format which can be used with the 3D printer. You will need to create a free account before you can begin using tinkercad.

Mouse Controls





Left Mouse Button

Select and drag objects

Middle Mouse Button (Scroll Wheel)

Ctrl + *Shift* + *Left Mouse Button also works if you do not have a scroll wheel* Move camera perspective

Right Mouse Button

Ctrl + Left Mouse Button also works if you do not have a right mouse buton Rotate camera perspective

Getting Started

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Begin by logging into your Tinkercad account and clicking



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You are currently using a free account .





Ruler Helper

Always begin by dragging the **Ruler** tool onto the Workplane. The **Ruler** can be found under the **Helpers** category. It doesn't matter where you drop the ruler, only that you bring out the ruler before any other shape.



The ruler will make it much easier to align objects or specify exact measurements.



Rotating Objects

Sometimes you will have to rotate objects. To do this grab and drag the rotation handle across the correct axis. You may have to rotate the view using the right mouse button.



Sometimes you might need to rotate the camera perspective to see all of the rotation handles (\downarrow). Click and drag with the right mouse button (or hold Ctrl + left mouse button) to rotate the camera perspective.





Making A Hole

To make a hole you can use the **Box Hole** and **Cylinder Hole** tools or you can use any shape by changing from "Color" to "Hole" in the inspector box.



Let's say we want to cut a 10mm hole out of this 20mm box. First I will bring a **Box Hole** onto the workplane and resize it to 10x10x10 by typing in the measurement boxes (You may have to rotate the camera to see all the boxes).



Making A Hole (cont.)

Now place the **Box Hole** where you want make a hole in the cube. Once the hole is in place, hold the Shift key and click both objects so they are both selected. With the cube and the hole objects selected click the Group button. It may take a minute for the grouping to process, once it is ready the hole object will disappear.



Click off of the object to deselect it, you will see the newly created hole!





You can always modify the hole by clicking back selecting the object and clicking the Ungroup button

Download for Printing

Once you are happy with the design we need to download it so we can prepare it for the 3D printer. Click on Design then "Download for 3D Printing".



We want an .stl (stereolithography) file, which is common 3D model format used with many 3D printers.





That's it! Now we have a 3D model that is ready to be prepped for 3D printing. Unfortunately, 3D printers can't read .stl files directly. What we need to do next is a process called "slicing". Slicing is the process of converting a 3D model to instructions for the 3D printer which is known as GCODE.