

Community Waters Science Unit

4th grade





Comparing solutions

Community
Waters
Science Unit:
Lesson 10



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Focus Question: How effective is the solution my group modeled?

Learning Target: I can make a claim about my solution and support it with evidence and reasoning.



Engineering Team Discussion & Share out

Share your data with the class!

In your engineering team, discuss:

- Do we feel that our solution successfully reduced the amount of runoff?
- What would be helpful for other teams to know?



Analyze Team Data

- How do the different results compare?
- Were the original models similar enough to each other?
- Did everybody control the same variables?
- Were there enough trials of each solution?



In the Class Data Table:

- What do you notice?
- What does the data mean to us?
- What would you want to do to analyze the data?

Make a claim from evidence

Write a conclusion about the solution your group modeled. Make a claim about the question "How effective is the solution my team modeled?"

Your claims should include:

- 1. the data you gathered when you tested your model.
- other evidence from what you have read or experienced that supports your claim.

- 1. Claim: A general statement about the effectiveness of the solution.
- 2. Evidence: possibilities to include
 - Data from your tests of the solution.
 - Reference to where the solution has worked elsewhere.
 - Site specific criteria and constrains that it meets, partially meets, or does not meet.
- **3. Reasoning:** The reasons why the evidence meets (or does not meet) the criteria for success and the constraints (how the evidence supports the claim).