

NHRA BATTERY SERIES

1. Title, Names, Witness = 3 points.

2. Purpose = 8 points

- The “assignment” of this lab/project is to apply/practice the concepts of Unit 2. We are to use our current understanding and research 3 topics in depth to develop a top of line racer. The purpose of this labs is to gather data and analyze the relationships between basic DC circuitry, mass, friction, gear ratios, velocity and acceleration.

3. Background Research = 3 points

- research the following topics, record notes in this section that will improve the development of your car.
 - ✓ Gear Ratios
 - ✓ Series vs Parallel circuits (impact on voltage, amps, resistance)
 - ✓ Simple sketch of each type of circuit.

4. Blueprint = 24 points

- You are to draft a blueprint of your racer TO SCALE as best you can. The blueprint should take up 1 whole page, but leave room to add the following data.
 - ✓ Total Expected Mass
 - ✓ Total expected voltage and amperage
 - ✓ Overall 3 dimensional measurements (*l, w, h*)
 - ✓ Each piece used should have dimensional information and mass of object.
 - ✓ Information on how you will secure pieces to the racecar
 - ✓ Wiring Diagram

5. Materials = 5 points

- List of materials you will use.

6. Procedure = 6 points

- You will put your racecar through two trials. One will be a drag race down the hall, and the other will be an inclined plane climb in the classroom. You have to develop a procedure, you can do this in real time, in which you can gather the necessary data needed to fill out the table.

7. Data & Calculations = 21 points

➤ You MUST SHOW YOUR WORK IN YOUR LAB NOTEBOOK

DRAG RACIN' IN THE HALLWAY					
Trial	Time @ 0 m	Time @ 5 m	Time @ 12.5 m	Time @ 20 m	Time @ 25 m
1					
2					
3					
AVG					

MOUNTAIN CLIMBER			
Ramp ID	Ramp \angle	Time @ 0m	Time @ 6'
1			
2			
3			
AVG			

- **Hole Shot?** What was the average speed at the 5-meter mark?
- **Halfway There!** What was the average speed at the half-way point?
- **Top End ↑** What was the average speed during the last 5-meters?
- **Overall!** What was the Average Speed of the of your racecar through the whole race?
- **Incline Velocity:** Calculate the average velocity achieved on each ramp
 - Ramp 1
 - Ramp 2
 - Ramp 3

8. Communicating Results = 30 points

- Create 2 graphs, one for each data table
 - ✓ You need to use different colors for different trend lines. (provide a key)
 - ✓ You must label the x, y, and title of graphs
 - ✓ Graphs must be to scale.
- **Conclusion:** Draft a conclusion in paragraph form, it should cover at least the following topics.
 - ✓ How did your car perform, what difficulties/successes did you face.
 - ✓ Talk about your car on the track, how did it perform coming out of the hole, what happened to it as the hills became steeper, etc...
 - ✓ Graphs tell a story. You have two graphs... what two stories did your graphs tell.