

# IT'S SCIENCE FAIR SEASON: CREATE AN EXCITING PROJECT WITH

Science is an integral part of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) initiative, and Science Fairs make learning fun — especially if your project involves model rocketry! Here are just a few suggestions for rocket science projects that you can complete with minimal time and effort — and Estes has the model rockets to make your project a winner!

# **ESTES® MODEL ROCKETS!**





#### **SOME IDEAS FOR MODEL ROCKET SCIENCE PROJECTS:**

ESTT1261

Skill Level 1

Baby Bertha -

# The effects of acceleration on living organisms, such as insects

### **Experiments:**

- Choose a "payloader" style rocket to carry an insect during launch.
- After launching, compare the behavior of that insect with one of the same species that has not been launched.
- Construct a maze, and document the differences between how the insect navigates the maze before and after being launched in a rocket.

#### **Recommended Estes rockets:**



**ESTT1256** 

Alpha III

# The comparison of descent rates for different recovery systems or different rockets

# **Experiments:**

• Using a stopwatch, compare the length of time it takes for rockets of varying weights to return to Earth. (TIP: larger, more visible rockets work best for this experiment)

• Build two rockets of the same type, one with the included Streamer Recovery System, and the second with a Parachute Recovery System (sold separately).

# **Recommended Estes rockets and accessories:**



For more information and project ideas, log onto esteseducator.com, click on the "Students Click Here" link and scroll down to "Fun with Model Rocketry". There you'll find "Science Fair Projects" with even more project ideas. Let your local hobby retailer help you enjoy learning more about science with Estes!



# The use of aerial photography

ESTT1948 Big Bertha -Skill Level 1

ESTT2178

Skill Level 1

Hi Flier -

#### **Experiments:**

• Launch a rocket mounted with an inexpensive miniature camera to get aerial views for two-dimensional mapping.

**Recommended Estes rockets:** 

# The relationship of rocket speeds to weight

#### **Experiments:**

 With the help of an AltiTrax<sup>™</sup>, compare the average speeds of 2 rockets of different weights.

## **Recommended Estes rockets and accessories:**



# The comparison of fin aerodynamics

# **Experiments:**

 Using an AltiTrak<sup>™</sup> and a rocket with multiple sets of fins, compare the rocket's flight from launch to apogee with different numbers of fins installed. For example, build one rocket with three fins and a second rocket with four or five fins.

#### **Recommended Estes rockets and accessories:**



