Bridge Building Challenge

The Challenge

Your Team must re-build a bridge to cross the raging waters of a canyon.

It spans 29 meters (**Scale**: 1 cm = 1 m) and must support the weight of a fully loaded train carrying loads that may weigh up to 100 tons (including the train)

Scale: 1 kg = 100 tons

The bridge must be built in 2 months, (1 Hour) and come in under budget of 750,000 \$. Required size of bridge is:

Length 30 m Width 9 m

Materials and Budget

Construction kits include:

50 beams @ \$10 000 / beam

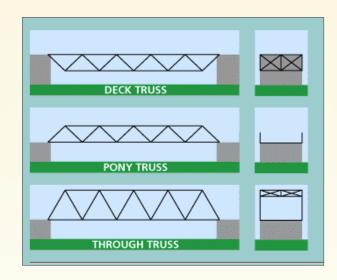
1 glue stix @ \$50 000 per stix

1 template @ \$50 000

Additional materials will only be sold when budget is verified and submitted by accountant and signed by all team members.

Construction Kit Cost \$

Truss Designs



Accounting and Expenses

Initial cost: \$_____

Additional costs:

Item _____\$___

Item _____\$___

Item _____\$__

Item \$

Deductions / Credits \$_____

Final Total \$_____

Team Name

Team Member1

Team Member 2

Team Member 3

Process and Result

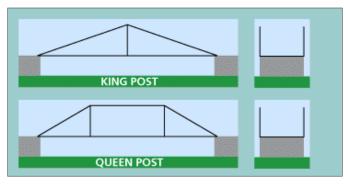
StressTesting the Bridge

Increasing amounts of weight will be suspended from the bridge until the maximum is reached for success.

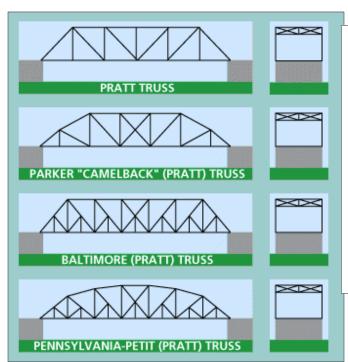
Successful bridges will support 10 lbs for 5 seconds

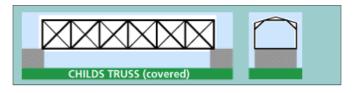
The Ultimate Champion will be the bridge that supports the most weight before total collapse.

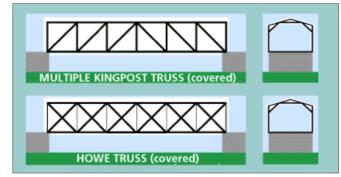
Winners: 15 free stixs and 1 Glue stix for part TWO of workshop; build your own bridge



Part Two of Workshop: Build Your Own
Criteria:
1 1/2 hour to build
750,000\$ budget
50 stix, 1 glue stix to start with
30 cm long
20 lbs of weight for 5 seconds
Your very own Design







Research Topics:

Different Styles of Bridges

TRY iPad App: Bridge Bashers or Bridge Construction

Bridge Builder WEB Game

Bridge Craft

Truss Bridge



Bridge Design

The architect Ayn Rand has called for a "Through Truss" design to meet the high Sutton community standards in keeping with Heritage and Esthetics of the Art-Deco era.

