Summative Evaluation (Answer Key)

The green and red balls are the same size. The green ball will start at the top of a 6 feet tall slide and the blue ball will start at the top of a 3 feet tall slide. Which ball will travel farther? Explain your choice.



Picture A (6 feet)

Picture B (3 feet)

Answer Key

Response: Green Ball with travel farther than the blue ball.

Explanation¹: Green ball is dropped from a greater height (6 feet tall slide) than the blue ball (3 feet tall slide). Greater the height, the more is the energy possessed by the ball (potential energy), the more is the distance traveled by the ball after it hits the ground (because of kinetic energy). Therefore, green ball will have more energy and will travel to a greater distance on the ground.

¹Note that the explanation provided in the answer key is only one way of explaining the correct response. Students should; however, be able to demonstrate the understanding of the relationship between height, energy and distance travelled by the ball in their own words. Students could also relate to the ramp and ball experiment they conducted in the class and provide some of the results as the evidence to support their response to the assessment probe.

²Note that it is not necessary for young children to use the word "possessed". They might instead use simpler language in their explanations, which should to be scientifically correct. They should; however, be able to demonstrate the understanding of the relationship between height, energy and distance travelled by the ball.

Rubrics

The rubrics below can	be used by the teacher	r to assess students	' responses to th	e summative
assessment probe.				

NAME		DATE
SCORE	_/5	

Response:

Category	1	0
Identifying the correct color	Student identified the correct	Student identified the
ball to travel farther than the	ball (green ball).	incorrect ball (blue ball).
other.		

Explanations:

Category	2	1	0
Scientific reasoning.	Student provides scientifically-correct reasoning that includes the height from which the green ball is dropped, which is more than the height of the slide from which the blue ball is dropped.	Student provides correct reasoning but lacks sufficient details (for example, student does not mention that the height from which green ball (6 feet) is dropped is more than the height (3 feet) from	Student does not include reasoning to the response.
Appropriate	Student provides all of	which the blue ball is dropped. Student provides two	Student provides no
connections to demonstrate the	the three connections to demonstrate the	of the three connections in their	connections demonstrate the
relationship	relationship between	explanations. This may	relationship between
between height, energy and the distance traveled by the ball on ground.	height, energy and the distance traveled by the ball on the ground. (More the height, more	include relationship between height and energy but distance traveled on the ground	height, energy and the distance traveled by the ball on ground or provides incorrect
	is the energy, greater is the distance traveled by the ball on the ground).	is not mentioned, or height and distance traveled by the ball on the ground is	relationship between height, energy and distance traveled by the ball on the ground.
		mentioned; however, energy connection is not included.	

Assessment Chart			
Phases of 5E	Activity	Assessment	
Engage	Game play called "Simon Says" where students respond to different motions as they are called out. For instance, clapping hands.	-Asking probing questions to gauge prior knowledgeListening to students' responses.	
Explore	Scientific investigations – Ball is dropped from three different ramp heights. The distance traveled by the ball on the ground is measured using hand-measurement for each trial for three different heights.	-Reviewing predictions student worksheet about the number of handprints for each height. -Reviewing data recording sheet where students recorded their experimental data. -Asking probing questions. -Listening to students' evidence-based explanations.	
Explain	Students will develop their evidence-based explanations from the data they collected. Students will make connections between the height from which the ball is dropped and the distance traveled on ground. Teachers introduces new scientific	-Asking probing questions. -Listening to students' evidence-based explanations to assess their understanding about the relationship between height at which the ball is dropped, distance travelled on the floor and energy possessed by the ball.	
Elaborate	vocabulary on energy. Simple experiments with Newton's Cradle where balls are dropped from a certain height.	-Asking probing questionsListening to students' predictions.	
Evaluate	Students share concluding statements about lesson learned about energy.	-Summative Assessment Probe (could also be used at the engage phase as a pre-assessment). -Listening to students' concluding remarks on what they learned about	

	energy.