# **Divergent Thinking Mini-Project**



# **Lesson Topic**

**Divergent Thinking Project** 

## **Estimated Time:**

90 minutes

### **Objectives:**

- I can generate ideas of potential features for my design
- I can analyze and combine ideas to create a plan for a prototype
- I can create a prototype by working collaboratively with my design team
- I can create an annotated visual showing how my prototype works

#### Vocabulary:

- Generate
- Features
- Prototype
- Annotated
- Modifications



# **LESSON PREPARATION**

# **Recommended Resources:**

- ☐ Projector Teacher
- ☐ Each group gets:
- Stack of paper clips
- ☐ Some rubber bands,
- A marble,
- ☐ Two sheets of paper, and
- ☐ Three straws.

# **Preparation Tasks**

- Make sure to set up the classroom in a way that facilitates collaboration
- Make sure each box is filled with the necessary supplies
- Make sure that you have set up the slideshow



| Slide # | Time            | Student Tasks   |
|---------|-----------------|---|
| 1-3     | 5-10<br>minutes | Students will be allowed to look at the items on their table.   |
|         |                 | Individual Warm-up: What would you make with this? Generate a list of ideas.  |
| 4       | 2-5<br>minutes  | Partners Pair-Share: Share your list  |
| 5       | 5 minutes       | Whole Class Show the video. Afterward, break students into design teams that are different from the tables they are currently sitting at. |
| 6       | 5 minutes       | Small Group Brainstorm a list of ideas by going round-robin   |
| 7-8     | 10 minutes      | Small Group Analyze ideas, combine them, and narrow it down to one concept Optional: Create an initial sketch of how it works             |
| 9-11    | 45 minutes      | Small Group Protoype your design  |
| 12      | 10 minutes      | Small Group Share how your product works by creating a blog post, podcast, or video.  |