

# Revolutionary Resources



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## STEM Innovation Experience Task Information

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#### Introduction

Australia is well known for its mineral resources. These materials have driven the Australian economy, immigration and development since gold was first discovered in 1851, triggering the first gold rush. Today Australia is seen as a global leader for supplying multiple mineral resources, not just gold.

Mineral ores supply elements that are essential for modern day living, and even environmentally friendly energy alternatives such as solar, wind or hydroelectric power production require the use of minerals.

As our population continues to grow, our reliance on resources will continue to increase. We need to manage these assets successfully while balancing the environmental needs to ensure a sustainable future.

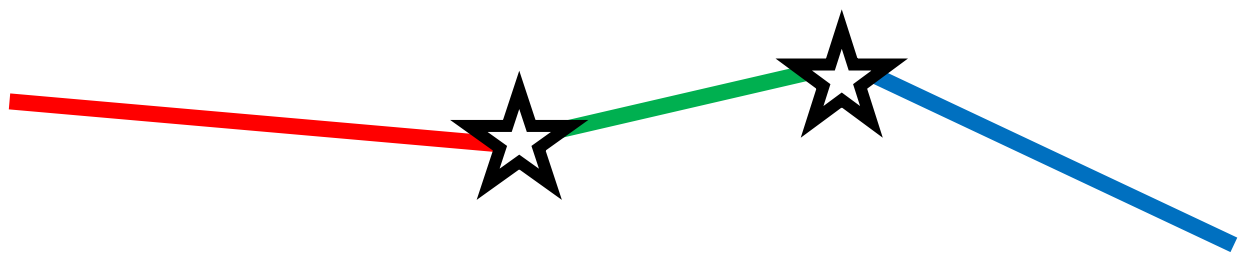
In *Revolutionary Resources* you will learn about some of the science, technology, engineering and mathematics that goes into the management of our resources.

Image source: <https://www.minerals.org.au/minerals-facts>



*“The nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased and not impaired in value”*  
**Theodore Roosevelt (U.S. President 1901-1909)**

*“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not”*  
**The Lorax (Dr Seuss children’s book and movie character)**



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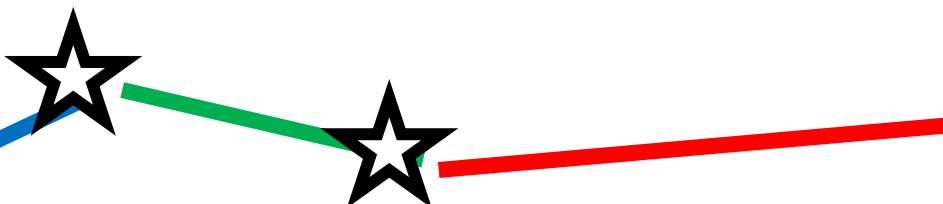
The STEM Innovation Experience (STEMIE) will focus on how humans manage resources and manage energy production while balancing environmental requirements. The students will engage in activities focussing on STEM skills related to resource management.

## The Requirements

Revolutionary Resources will require completion of the following tasks:

- Research everyday items and their production from raw materials, including a scientific investigation, as outlined in the Science Component.
- Develop an environmental control system prototype using Arduino coding, as outlined in the Technology Component.
- Design and create a payload transport system within set parameters, as outlined in the Engineering Component.
- Creation of an interactive spreadsheet that mathematical models energy consumption and distribution, as outlined in the Mathematics Component.

Your school also needs to produce a Summary Report with a brief outline about how STEMIE was delivered in your school and the learning that was involved. This summary report will be used in the event of a tie at the Regional Showcase.



## STEMIE – The Three Parts

STEMIE will consist of three parts:

- The Learning Phase
  - Students will complete the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics tasks, based around their chosen theme, at school and attend a progress meeting via Zoom to provide evidence of learning. To qualify for the Regional Showcase a completed Summary Report will need to be submitted.
- The Regional Showcase
  - This part will consist of an online event with UniSA staff judging the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics components that have been completed at school. Schools will have a 1 ½ hour judging timeslot to demonstrate their work in these four areas. At the conclusion of all judging, the winning schools will be notified via email. In the event of a tie between schools within a region, the Summary Report will be used as a tie breaker to decide the winner.
- The STEMIE Final
  - The winner from each Regional Showcase event, in addition to any wildcard schools (selected by the panel of judges after all Regional Showcase events) will compete in unseen STEM challenges at the University of South Australia. Details of dates and locations can be found in the initial invite emailed to schools and will also be sent again to winning schools.

## STEMIE – Referencing

Research elements used within STEMIE Checkpoint Submissions, and the Regional Showcase need to be referenced. The preferred style of referencing may vary between each school participating in STEMIE.

UniSA Outreach recommends using the SACE Guidelines (or equivalent in each state) for Referencing Documents when submitting work for assessment within STEMIE.

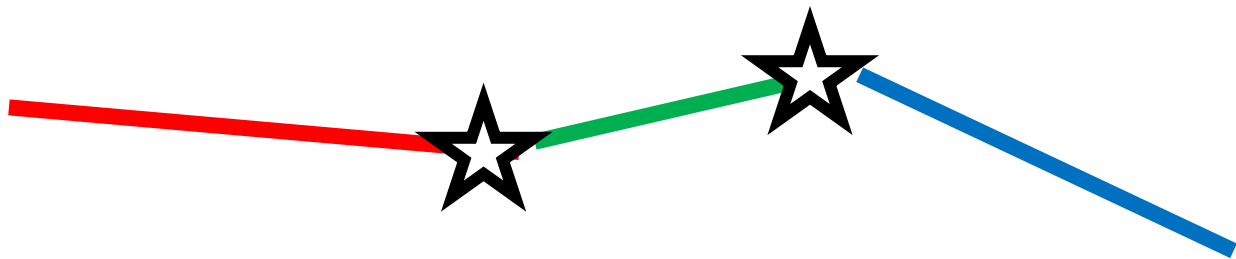
*The Student Guide to Referencing and Guidelines for Referencing* documents can be found at this link <https://www.sace.sa.edu.au/learning/research-advice/referencing>

## STEMIE – The Learning Phase

School Leaders and Teachers can choose how they implement The Learning Phase in their school. Components within The Learning Phase have been developed to be scalable from a small group of students to multiple classes interacting in the experience.

Throughout the Learning Phase, students will work on the tasks at school. Each school will need to book a progress meeting with UniSA staff at some stage during the learning phase. The meeting will need a teacher and student representatives in attendance and will take approximately 30 minutes to discuss what has been achieved to date. Additional time will be allocated at the conclusion to allow for any questions or task clarifications, ideas and/or feedback.

The range of assessment tasks requires team members to hold varied skill-sets, so working in teams with complementary abilities is advantageous. There are five key components within The Learning Phase – the Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Overall Summary components.





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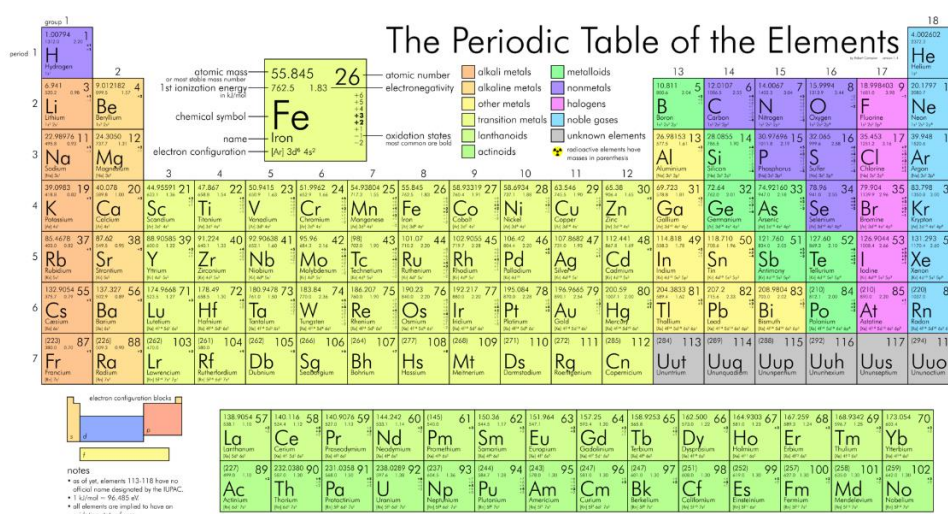
## Science Component

### Science Component – Background Information

Management of mineral resources impacts our lives every day. From the roads we travel on to the mobile phones we use, minerals form part of nearly every aspect of modern living.

Utilising the elements from mineral ores requires knowledge of chemical processes as well as understanding the material properties each element has.

The Periodic Table of the Elements



**Legend:**

- alkali metals
- alkaline metals
- other metals
- transition metals
- lanthanoids
- actinoids
- metalloids
- nonmetals
- halogens
- noble gases
- unknown elements
- radioactive elements have masses in parentheses

**Notes:**

- all act. elements 112-118 have no official name designated by the IUPAC.
- 112 (copernicium) = 112 (112) (112)
- all elements are implied to have an oxidation state of zero.

### Science Component – The Requirements

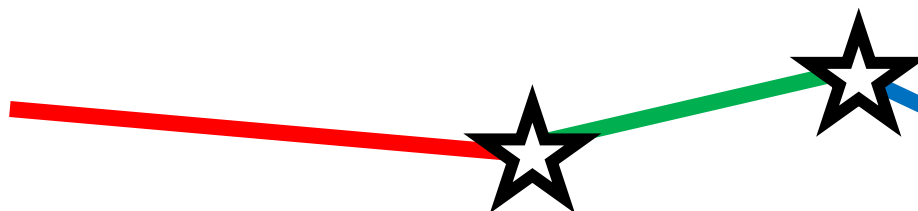
Focussing on everyday items, investigate the pathway of an element from the natural source to the finished product.

Complete an investigation into one specific aspect of chemical reactions involving metals.

**Note – Unsafe investigations are not permissible. Ensure that any experiments follow your school's safety procedures and are approved by the relevant people in your school.**

This can be achieved by covering the following criteria:

- Research the process of locating, collecting, moving and processing of relevant raw materials.
- Describe the natural and ecological implications of the collection process.
- Explain the community consultations that need to be considered before commencing collection and processing, and any environmental rehabilitation required afterwards
- Create and conduct a practical investigation, including the critical analysis of practical methodology and results, to draw conclusions.



## Science Component – Practical Investigation

The practical investigation methodology needs to investigate a specific aspect of a chemical reaction involving metals. The purpose for conducting this investigation is to highlight the chemical properties of specific elements used in the production of everyday items.

Ideas for this investigation could include:

- The metal reactivity series
- Flame tests
- Acid/base reactions
- Conductivity
- Properties of metals
- Electrochemistry/electroplating
- Other relevant investigations

The methodology for the investigation can vary from school to school, however the format for the submitted practical write-up must include the following headings:

Practical investigation methodology of your chosen experiment

- Hypothesis
- Aim
- Materials
- Method (including any safety requirements)

Results and conclusion from the experiment

- Results
- Conclusion

Discussion and analysis of the investigation methodology

- Accuracy and precision of methodology
- Sources of random error
- Sources of systematic error
- Suggested improvements and limitations

## Science Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to deliver a formal presentation to staff from the University of South Australia and demonstrate how we can manage resources to transform elements from raw materials to processed items.

This presentation will be held online via a Zoom link and time limits will need to be strictly adhered to.

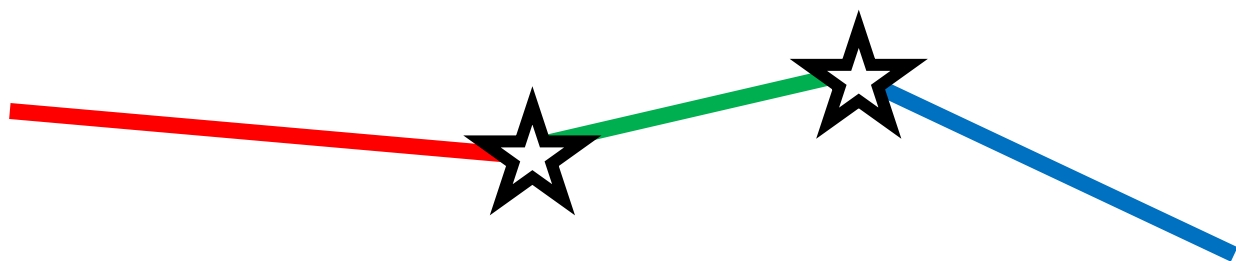
**The presentation should be a maximum of seven (7) minutes, with up to an additional three (3) minutes for questions from the UniSA Staff judging the presentation.**



## Revolutionary Resources STEMIE Regional Showcase *Science Component*

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
1. Summary of the process of getting your chosen element into the final product.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
2. Understanding the science behind chemical reactions involving metals.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
3. Incorporation of research and practical results into presentation to make informed decisions about resource management.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
4. Delivery of content knowledge, including the ability to answer questions posed by UniSA staff.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
5. Communication and interaction with UniSA staff, including the use of visual aids and appropriate presentation timing.	3 2 1 0 N/A	
<b>Total Marks:</b>		<b>/15</b>





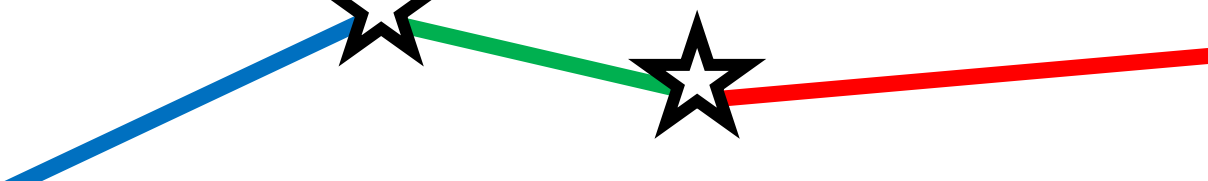


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### Technology Component

#### Technology Component – Background Information

Accessing resources often requires working in challenging environments. To ensure the safety of all employees, conditions need to be managed and any potential hazards identified and dealt with. Conditions such as air quality and temperature control must be monitored and maintained to ensure a safe working environment.



#### Technology Component – The Requirements

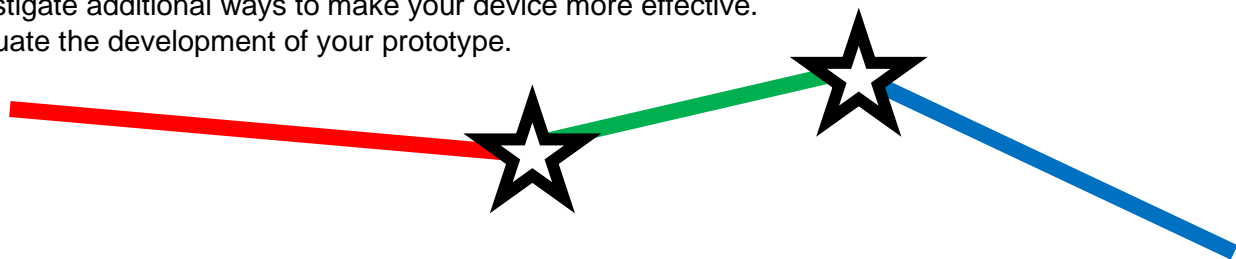
Create an “Environmental Awareness Response System” (EARS) device that can detect relevant conditions at a mine site.

This should include, at a minimum:

- Ability to detect a change in conditions
- Demonstrate a response to that change
- A 3D printed component in your prototype

This can be achieved by completing some or all of the following:

- Brainstorm and investigate various detection devices in mine sites such as stone dust barriers, temperature sensors, movement sensors, air quality sensors etc.
- Design and create a prototype to detect and respond to a change in your chosen conditions
- Design and create a 3D printed component using a CAD program for your prototype.
- Investigate additional ways to make your device more effective.
- Evaluate the development of your prototype.



## **Technology Component – Environmental Awareness Response System (EARS)**

Create an Environmental Awareness Response System (EARS) device using Arduino coding that can detect a change in your chosen condition and respond to it accordingly. Computer Aided Design (CAD) software can be used to create 3D printed components for your device. The physical attributes of the device do not have to be to scale but must be able to demonstrate the functionality of the prototype at the Regional Showcase.

At the Regional Showcase the device will be demonstrated for online judging via Zoom. The device will need to be set up prior to the judging timeslot. If the device has to be set up during the allocated timeslot, that time will result in a reduced time allocation to present the functionality of the device. The device does not need to be to scale, the responses it responds to can be simulated, it just needs to be a proof of concept and can use LED's or other devices to simulate responses.

## **Technology Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event**

At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to demonstrate their EARS device.

As a minimum, the device should be able to detect and respond to a change in conditions and can use manual input. Additional points are gained by automating the detection and response or adding visual outputs, audio outputs and relevant additional features.

The judging will be held online via a Zoom link. We recommend having a mobile phone or iPad in the meeting to allow the device to be easily viewed from different angles.

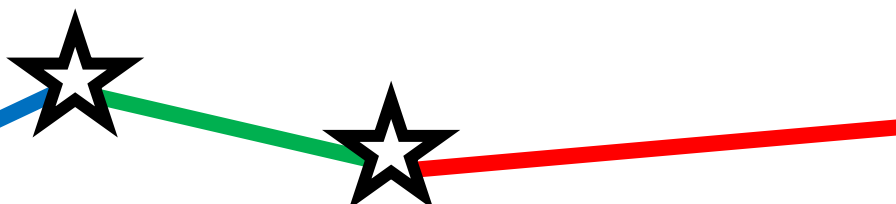
## **Programming Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event**

Along with demonstrating their prototype, students will also be required to complete a trouble shooting activity to find simple errors in a section of Arduino coding. The errors will be based on the activities covered in the student workshop "Introduction to Coding" section of the STEMIE Moodle.

**UniSA staff will judge the device against the Technology Marks Sheet criteria. For additional functions and features to be awarded marks, they must be successfully demonstrated in the allocated judging time.**

**Troubleshoot a sample code with errors (errors will be based on the introduction to coding activities on the STEMIE Moodle) This will have a 2-minute time limit.**

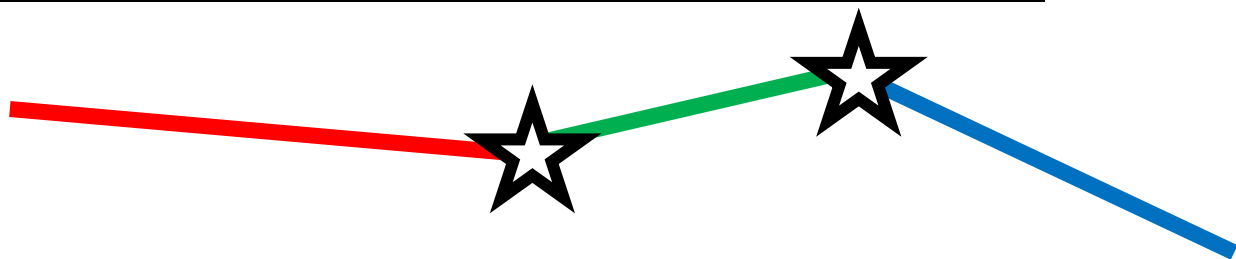
**Each school will have a maximum of 10 minutes to demonstrate their prototype and 2 minutes to find the errors in the sample code supplied.**



## Revolutionary Resources STEMIE Regional Showcase *Technology Component*

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
3D printed component	<p><b>1 Mark</b> – Printed but has visible scaffolding/rafting or general flaws in the print, and no obvious function in the device</p> <p><b>2 Marks</b> – Well printed but only serves an aesthetic purpose</p> <p><b>Or 3 Marks</b> – Well printed and has a set function in the device</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Input Detection</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Does the device detect a change in a relevant condition?</i></p>	<p><b>1 Mark</b> – Can detect a change in a relevant condition but is inaccurate</p> <p><b>2 Marks</b> – Can detect change in a relevant condition accurately</p> <p><b>Or 3 Marks</b> – Can detect changes to multiple conditions accurately</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Output Response</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Can respond to counteract the change in conditions</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Can respond with a warning signal</i></p>	<p><b>1 Mark</b> – Adjusts to the condition change but requires manual input e.g. button</p> <p><b>Or 2 Marks</b> – Adjusts to the condition change autonomously e.g. sensor</p> <p><b>+1 Mark</b> – LED and audio output in response to the change in conditions</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Additional Features</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>These must be successfully demonstrated within the judging time limit</i></p>	<p><b>+1 Mark</b> – Additional relevant feature successfully demonstrated</p> <p><b>+1 Mark</b> – Another additional relevant feature</p> <p><b>+1 Mark</b> – Another additional relevant feature</p>	
Can find errors in the sample code	<p><b>1 Mark</b> – Can find 2 errors in the sample code</p> <p><b>+1 Mark</b> – Can find additional errors in the code</p> <p><b>+1 Mark</b> – Can find all errors in the sample code</p>	
<b>Total Marks:</b>		<b>/15</b>



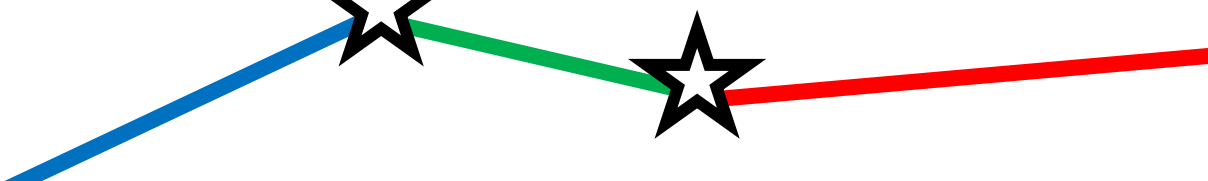


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## STEM Innovation Experience Revolutionary Resources Engineering Component

### Engineering Component – Background Information

Transport systems in the mining industry can have very specific requirements, not just for getting payloads or people to various locations but most importantly to ensure they meet strict safety requirements. Transport can be via inclined roads, shafts that work as underground roads, or vertical shafts that often require a cage or similar structure for transporting goods and people.



Image source: [www.australianmining.com.au/news/bhps-next-chapter-to-come-from-automation/](http://www.australianmining.com.au/news/bhps-next-chapter-to-come-from-automation/)

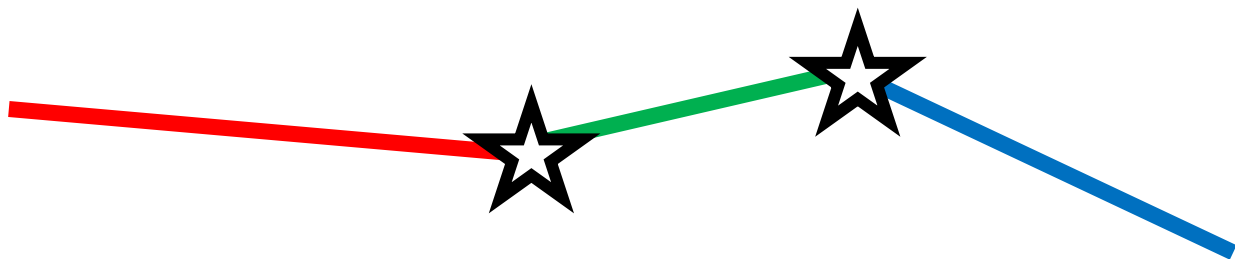
### Engineering Component – The Requirements

Design and construct a system to transport the Pringle POD from the raised platform to the target zone within specific parameters.

This device will be demonstrated and judged online via Zoom at the Regional Showcase. A device such as an iPad, tablet or mobile phone will need to be a logged into the meeting to allow the judges to view the device from requested angles

This can be achieved by completing some or all of the following:

- Brainstorm and investigate existing transport systems
- Sketch designs for construction and testing
- Test the properties of different types of construction materials (e.g. glue, masking tape, Lego, balsa wood, etc.) to evaluate the best construction method.
- Construct and test the transport device/s
- Explain the functions of the preferred design
- Produce sketches of the chosen design (by drawing and/or CAD packages).
- Construct the chosen design for testing at the Regional Showcase event



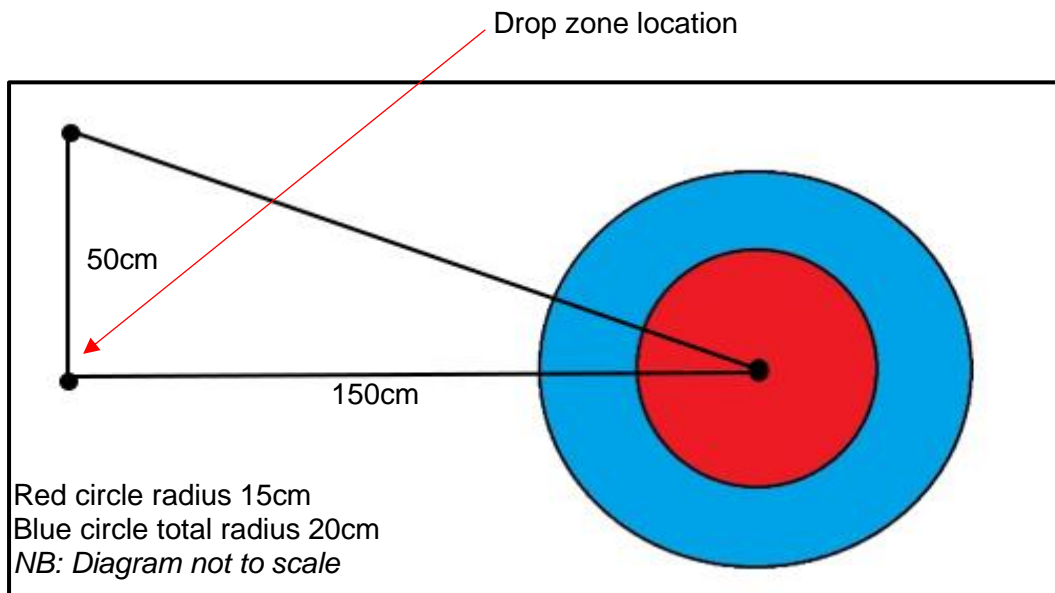


## Engineering Component – Prototype Requirements

The device should be able to:

- Move the Pringle POD from the raised platform and lower it 80cm to the drop zone
- Transfer the Pringle POD to a device that will transport it to the red target zone.
- Demonstrate an ability to use an alternative route to get to the red target zone.
- The condition of the Pringle will need to be assessed at the drop zone and red target zones. The contents of The Pringle POD must be accessible at these points without the need to remove packaging/tape, etc.

At the Regional Showcase event, testing will need to be demonstrated along a specific test track as shown in the diagram below. The track surface needs to demonstrate the dimensions below using either tape; or the actual vinyl mat that can be purchased from Print Lord. (links available on the STEMIE Moodle). The track will need to be in place before the judging commences but any additional materials used on the track for the test run will need to be added and removed within the judging time limit.

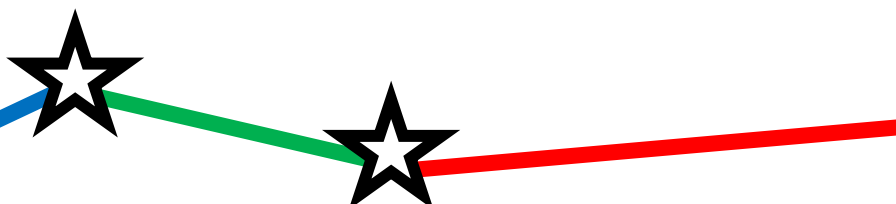


## Engineering Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event

At the Regional Showcase event, judging will be online via Zoom. We recommend having a mobile device or similar connected to the meeting to allow the judges to view the transport system from requested angles.

Each school will set up their transport system and will have two attempts with the best result recorded as their final score. All attempts must be completed within the judging time allocated.

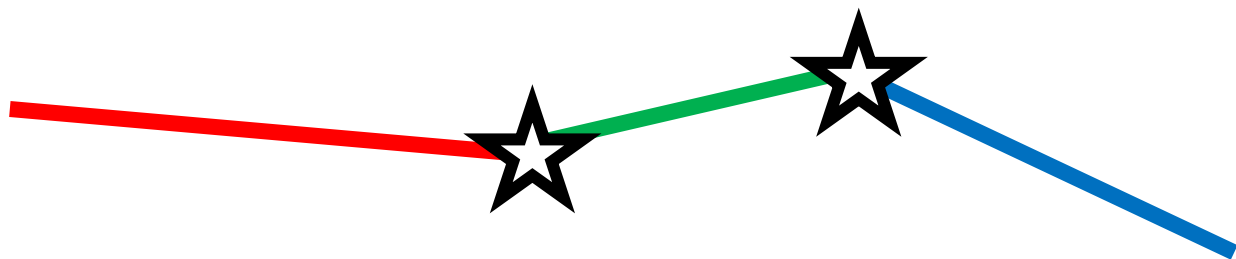
Separate devices can be used for the lowering and transport of the Pringle POD.  
Schools will be assessed against the judging criteria.



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Criteria	Marks Available	Total Marks
<b>Functionality</b> <i>The use of simple machines within the transport system and the ability to travel to the destination</i>	<b>1 Mark</b> – Can demonstrate the use of gears and/or a pulley within the system <b>+1 Marks</b> – Can demonstrate another aspect of machines (e.g. levers, screws, clamps, hydraulic components, etc.) <b>+1 Mark</b> – Can deliver the Pringle POD from the table to the map level <b>+1 Mark</b> – Can move the Pringle POD along the shortest route <b>+1 Mark</b> – Ability to move the Pringle POD via the alternative route	
<b>Accuracy</b> <i>Ability to move the Pringle POD to the red zone via the shortest route</i>	<b>1 Mark</b> – Pringle POD stops in white zone <b>2 Marks</b> – Pringle POD stops in blue zone <b>or 3 Marks</b> – Pringle POD stops in red zone <b>-1 Mark</b> – if the Pringle is broken during transit	
<b>Autonomy</b> <i>Ability to travel without human intervention</i>	<b>1 Mark</b> – Can deliver the Pringle POD to map level, may use manual input. <b>+1 Mark</b> – Can autonomously deliver the Pringle POD to the map level <b>+1 Mark</b> – Pringle POD can be transferred to the transport device autonomously <b>+1 Mark</b> – Pringle POD (once in transit) doesn't require any human intervention	
<b>Additional Features</b>	<b>+1 Mark</b> – Additional relevant feature <b>+1 Mark</b> – Additional relevant feature <b>+1 Mark</b> – Additional relevant feature	
<b>Total Marks:</b>		<b>/15</b>

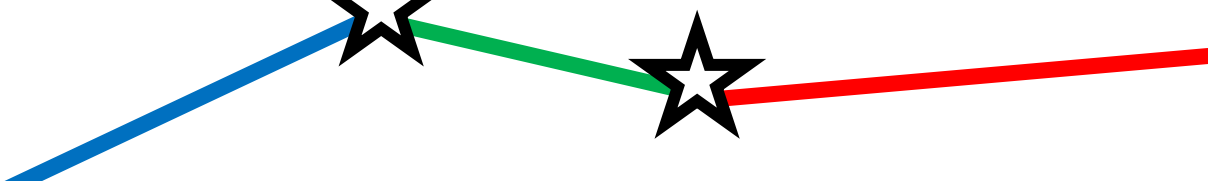




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### Mathematics Component

#### Mathematics Component – Background Information

Energy distribution is a complex balance of supply and demand. Baseload, or the minimum required energy to keep power generators running, is only one factor. Energy production requires a rapid response to changes in energy demand and different sources of power can respond at different rates. Mathematical modelling can help manage future energy requirements.

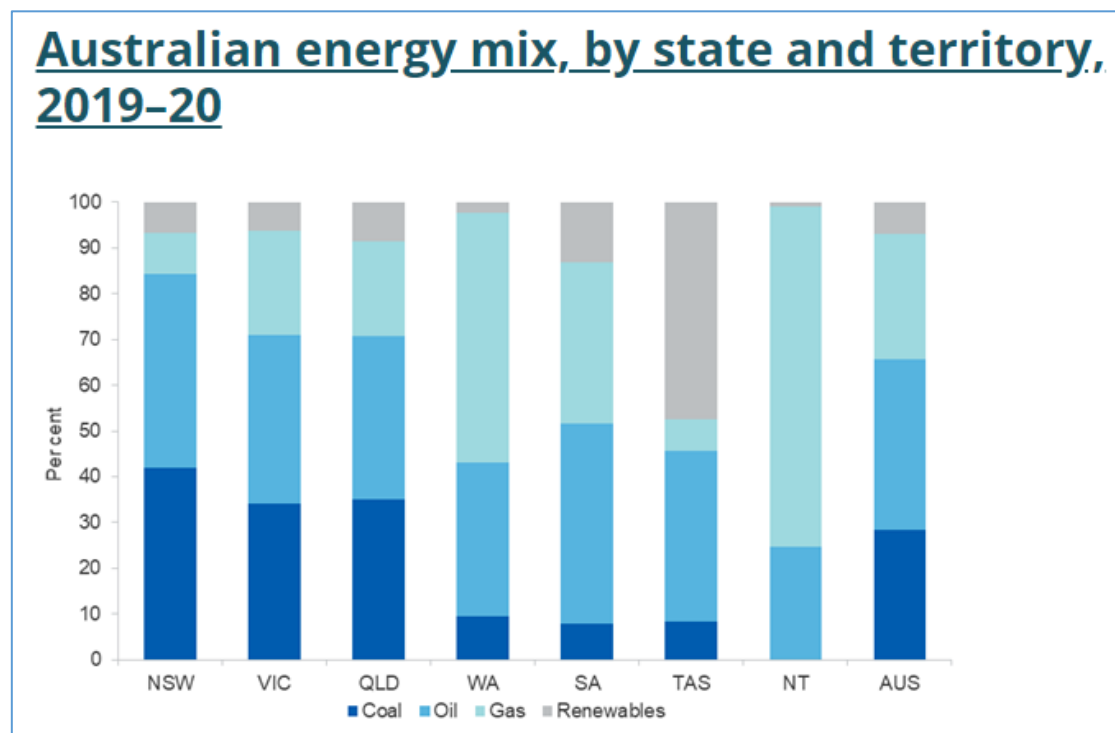


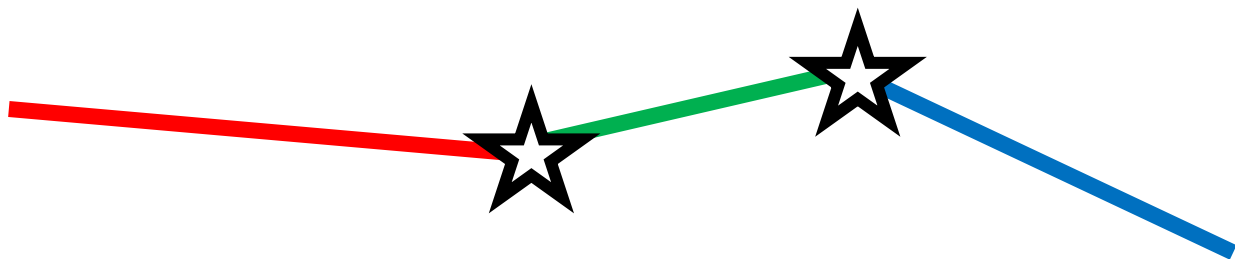
Image source: <https://www.energy.gov.au/data/states-and-territories>

#### Mathematics Component – The Requirements

Create an interactive spreadsheet that can predict energy demand in 2030 based on current energy consumption trends and justify the desired mix of renewable and non-renewable sources to produce energy supply and seasonal variations.

List any assumptions made in your spreadsheet calculations.

Prepare answers for the seen questions.



## **Mathematics Component – Dynamic Spreadsheet**

The spreadsheet/s should include:

- Which state or territory you are modelling your data on
- The type of energy sources being considered
- Demonstration of the minimum energy required from non-renewable sources
- Variations in energy demand based on population data
- Seasonal variations in energy demand
- Relevant graphs with trendlines and equations

The spreadsheet will need to be able to demonstrate the ability to instantly recalculate future projections of energy use subject to population fluctuations and account for seasonal variations. This spreadsheet will be demonstrated at the Regional Showcase.

## **Mathematics Component – Elements for the Regional Showcase event**

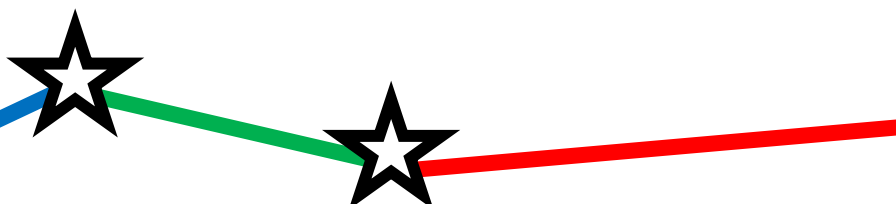
At the Regional Showcase event, students representing their school will be required to present their spreadsheet to a STEMIE representative for judging. Schools will be assessed by means of Question and Answer. From a list of five (5) seen questions, students will need to respond to two (2) questions chosen by the judge, before being asked to respond to one (1) unseen question. Students will also need to demonstrate how the spreadsheet can recalculate the energy production requirements in two (2) spreadsheet variations, as listed in the mathematics mark sheet.

Each school will be allocated a 10-minute timeslot for judging at the online Regional Showcase. The spreadsheet will need to be shared in the Zoom meeting during the judging timeslot.

**UniSA Staff will judge the responses in a Question and Answer session, incorporating two (2) seen and one (1) unseen questions.**

**They will also judge the dynamic spreadsheet and the ability to demonstrate energy consumption variations caused by seasonal and population changes.**

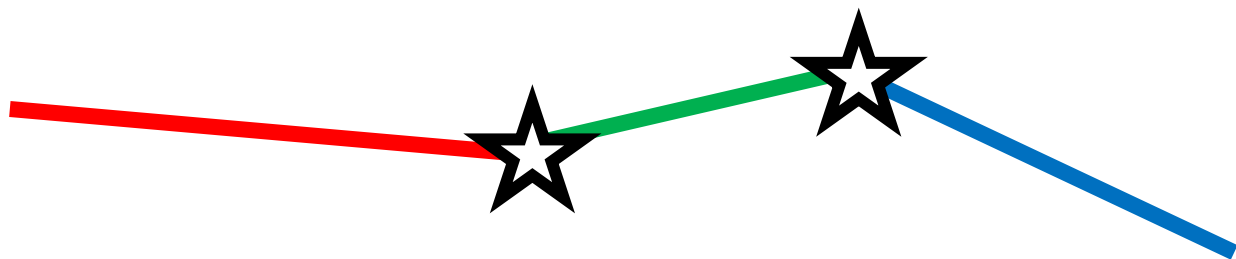
**The spreadsheet will need to be on the device that is logged in to the Zoom meeting to allow it to be shared and viewed in the judging timeslot.**



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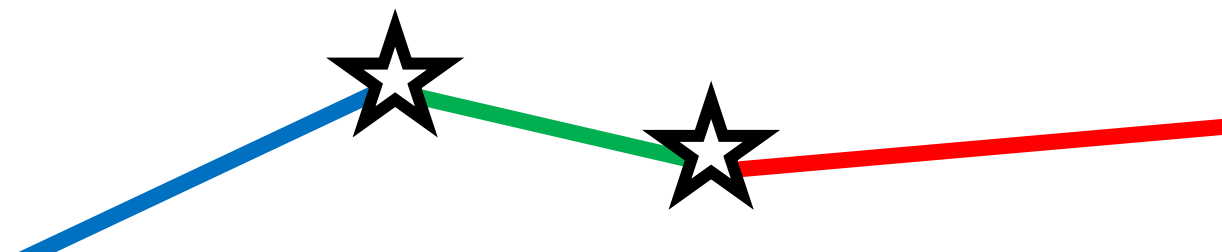
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Questions	Marks Available	Total Marks
1. Explain how your energy production is calculated and any assumptions made	<b>3 2 1 0 N/A</b>	
2. Reflect on your graph/s showing the future trends and how you extrapolated the data on your graph/s	<b>3 2 1 0 N/A</b>	
3. Justify your chosen ratio of renewables to non-renewables	<b>3 2 1 0 N/A</b>	
4. Describe how the national grid can impact on your state's energy production (offloading excess or bringing in energy from interstate)	<b>3 2 1 0 N/A</b>	
5. Explain how your energy mix can cater for seasonal fluctuations in energy demand	<b>3 2 1 0 N/A</b>	
Demonstrate 2 variations using your spreadsheet (as requested by the UniSA Staff)  Spreadsheet variation 1 – Show how energy requirements would change if there was an increase or decrease in the population expected in 2030  Spreadsheet variation 2 – Show how season variations can impact on your energy mix	<b>3 2 1 0</b>  <b>3 2 1 0</b>	
Unseen Question	<b>3 2 1 0</b>	
<b>Total Marks:</b>		<b>/15</b>





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### Progress Meeting and Overall Summary Component

#### Background Information

At school, students will need to work through STEMIE and then discuss their learning at a progress meeting. This meeting can involve all the students that have been involved or a small group of representatives. A STEMIE teacher will also need to be present at the meeting. Schools will need to book a 30-minute Zoom meeting to be held in term 2 or term 3. While every effort will be made to accommodate preferred session times, some negotiation may be required to finalise a time. At the end of the 30-minute progress meeting, there will be the option to stay on for an optional Q and A session. Sessions can be booked by emailing [STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au)

The purpose of this meeting is to ensure that progress has been made throughout The Learning Phase. It also allows the UniSA team to gather information relating to the implementation of STEMIE at each school site, and to gather any evidence of promotion of STEM within the school and the local and broader communities.

#### The Progress Meeting

The meeting will cover:

- Discussion about the STEMIE team, who is involved, how it is delivered, and what theme has been chosen.
- Discussion about the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics tasks and the progress so far, and future plans to complete them.
- Discussion of any issues that have occurred.
- Opportunity at the end to ask questions about the tasks/rules/showcase requirements, etc.

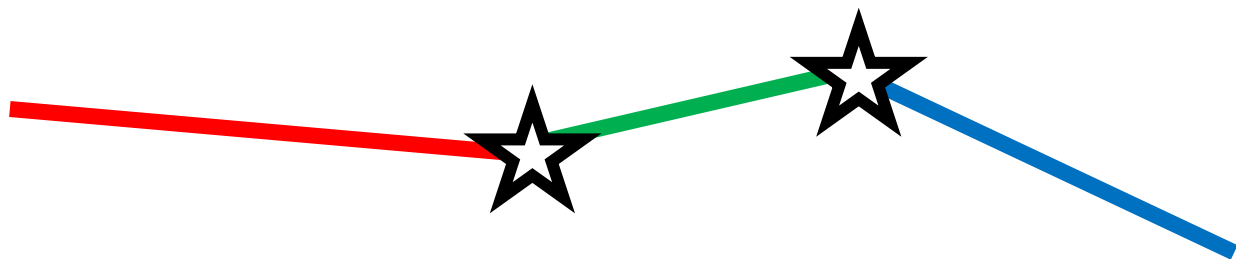
#### Overall Summary Component – The Requirements

The Overall Summary Component consists of information about how STEMIE was delivered in the school and how the STEM challenges were completed.

A copy of the Overall Summary Report will need to be emailed to [STEMIE@UniSA.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@UniSA.edu.au) when booking a timeslot for the Regional Showcase.

This task, along with the progress meeting, will be requirements for qualification to present competitively at the Regional Showcase.

In the event of a tie at the Regional Showcase, the Overall Summary Report will be used as the tiebreaker.



### Overall Summary Report:

- Length must not exceed 2 pages
- The report must contain information about:
  - What theme was chosen for STEMIE and why
  - Who was involved (year level, number of students, teachers, community members, etc)
  - How was it run (in class as a subject, lunchtime STEM club, etc)
  - Summary of the learning that occurred in STEMIE
  - What problems occurred and how they were overcome
  - How STEMIE was promoted in the school, local, or broader community (this can include screenshots of newsletter articles, etc)
  - A reflection on your learning from the STEMIE theme you have chosen including an informed decision, conclusion or comment.

Progress meetings will be held throughout terms 2 and 3. Session times can be booked by emailing [STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au)

Reminder emails to book progress meetings will be sent to the school key contact teachers.

Schools are welcome to assess components of STEMIE within school structures, but any assessment by UniSA is only to confirm qualification for the Regional Showcase.

For a school to qualify to compete at their Regional Showcase event, they will need to demonstrate progress at the meeting and provide the summary report.

Any unsuccessful submissions will have feedback and an opportunity to resubmit.

Credit earned in the process of qualifying for the Regional Showcase event does not carry over into the event. That is, each school starts on an even level at the commencement of the Regional Showcase event.

### Regional Showcases and The STEMIE Final

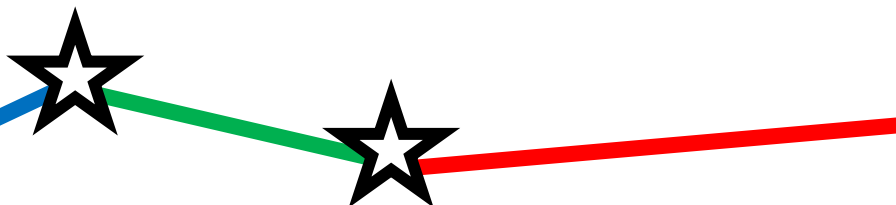
One school from each Regional Showcase will progress to the STEMIE Finals. Winning schools will be contacted via email once all schools in the region have completed the judging process.

The school that wins their Regional Showcase event will be invited to the STEMIE Final, to be held at The University of South Australia, in November. Specific details will be supplied to winning schools.

In addition to the winners of the Regional Showcase events, there may be potential Wildcard entries into the STEMIE Final. These positions will be awarded to schools by UniSA Outreach at the conclusion of all the Regional Showcase events.

Marks awarded at the Regional Showcase do not carry over into the STEMIE Final. Each of the schools competing at the State Final will start on an even level with no advantage awarded to any school.

The school that gains the most marks at the STEMIE Final event will be crowned the winner of the STEM Innovation Experience for that year.



# STEM Innovation Experience

## Rules and Requirements

### STEMIE Rules and Regulations

- While there is a competitive aspect to STEMIE, where possible, schools are actively encouraged to collaborate to share ideas, methodologies, and resources.
- Accessing assistance from the wider community is also encouraged, should the required expertise to complete tasks not be available within the school.
- The first point of contact for any questions or queries relating to STEMIE is the Moodle site <https://lo.unisa.edu.au/course/view.php?id=25118>. This site contains electronic copies of resources provided to schools, additional web links, resources, and student workshop activities.
- Additional questions can be sent to [STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au). Teachers and their students are welcome to use this address to get assistance with their work.
- Question and Answer sessions can also be booked by schools (subject to staff availability). This will allow a UniSA staff member to Zoom link with your students and answer any potential questions they have or provide feedback on their ideas.

### STEMIE Regional Showcase Judging Requirements

- To qualify for the Regional Showcase event, schools need to attend a progress meeting and submit the Overall Summary Report Component.
- Any additional tasks completed in STEMIE can be used for internal school assessment but do not need to be submitted to UniSA.
- It is the responsibility of each school to ensure that the requirements for assessment at the Regional Showcase event are set up and that devices required to demonstrate the work during the Zoom meeting are functional.
- Each of the other Regional Showcase elements will have an allocated judging time, and this will need to be strictly adhered to. Content of presentations or answers to questions that exceed the allocated judging time will not be considered.
- The supervision of students and set up of equipment for the Regional Showcase event is the responsibility of the school.
- Please ensure you have tested your devices and installed any required apps to access Zoom prior to the allocated judging time. One device must be portable during the judging of the technology and engineering tasks to allow the judges to view the prototypes from requested angles.
- The Progress Meeting session needs to be booked in term 2 or 3. The Summary Report must be emailed to the UniSA STEMIE email [STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au) prior to the confirmation of the Regional Showcase Judging timeslot.
- It is the responsibility of the school to keep copies of all work.
- Please ensure the student team representing the school and presenting ANY CONTENT at the Regional Showcase does not exceed a total of six (6) students.
- Teachers contributing to content during the judging allocations could result in the team being ineligible for the STEMIE Final position.
- Additional students and teachers are welcome to watch the presentations and assist with IT issues, holding cameras, etc. but cannot be part of the official team of six that deliver any content that is judged.



## STEM Innovation Experience

### Regional Showcase

#### **STEMIE – The Regional Showcase**

Signed UniSA Media Release Forms must be supplied for anyone attending a Regional Showcase or STEMIE Final. These can be found on the STEMIE Moodle and a direct link will be emailed to the key contact teacher once the judging timeslot is confirmed.

Once qualified, a team of up to six (6) students will represent your school. Students will present a selection of their work in a judging timeslot via Zoom for the Regional Showcase.

Each school will be judged on the following:

- Science Component – Formal presentation of the learning in the science activity.
- Technology Component – Judging of the Arduino-coded prototype linked to their chosen theme.
- Engineering Component – Judging the function of the Engineering prototype.
- Mathematics Component – “Question and Answer” session of seen and unseen questions and demonstration of their dynamic spreadsheet.

The dates for each of the Regional Showcase events are as follows:

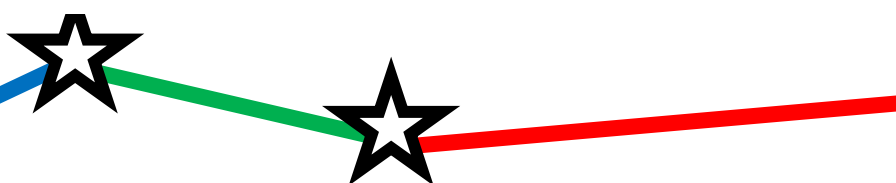
- Allocation of judging timeslots opens in August; links will be sent to the school's contact teacher.
- Judging occurs as per allocated timeslots.
- Emails will be sent to announce the winners of each Regional Showcase once all the schools within that region have completed the judging process.

Schools will need to have the following on the day:

- Six (6) student representatives to present to judges, and their teacher to supervise.
- Presentation materials for the science component.
- Arduino-coded Prototype for demonstration.
- Engineering device to be tested and judged.
- Dynamic spreadsheet and prepared answers to seen questions.
- Access to the Zoom link that will be sent to the school contact teacher on an iPad, Tablet, mobile device, or similar to allow judges to view prototypes.
- Access to the Zoom link on a device that can share science presentation content and/or the mathematics spreadsheet.

Each school will be allocated a total of 1 ½ hours for their official judging timeslot, during which they will complete all assessments for the Regional Showcase event. Students and their teacher will be required to be logged into the Zoom meeting for the duration of the judging timeslot.

In the event of a tie within a region, the Overall Summary Report will be used to determine the winner. This needs to be emailed to [STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au) before the Regional Showcase Judging timeslot occur



## STEM Innovation Experience Task Information

### The STEMIE Final

#### STEM Innovation Experience – STEMIE Final

The winners from each of the Regional Showcase events and any Wildcard entries will be eligible to compete at the STEMIE Final to be held at the University of South Australia.

The STEMIE Final will consist of a series of unseen STEM and teamwork challenges to be completed against the clock. Errors will result in time penalties, so accuracy is important. Schools from across South Australia and any participating interstate teams will be competing at the event. The winning team will be the fastest (including any time penalties) to complete all the challenges on the day.

The event will be held in November. Specific details will be sent to the winning schools and can be found in the *Key Dates* tab on the STEMIE Moodle.  
<https://lo.unisa.edu.au/course/view.php?id=25118>

A maximum of six (6) students per participating school, accompanied by their teacher, will compete in unseen STEM challenges on the day. The teacher will have the duty of care for their students at all times, including lunch breaks.

All students who participate in the STEMIE Final will require a signed UniSA Media Release Form.

*Note – Transport of students to and from the STEMIE Final is the responsibility of the school.*

Further details about the event will be provided via email to the Regional Showcase event winners and any Wildcard entries closer to the date.

If you have any questions about STEMIE you can email

[STEMIE@unisa.edu.au](mailto:STEMIE@unisa.edu.au)

