

# BIRDEE Unit 1 Lesson Plans

## Unit 1 Modules & Themes

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Module 1 Launcher: Connecting Nature to the Engineering Design Process				
Connect Nature to Engineering	Empathy & Customer Discovery	Reverse Engineering & Requirements	Define Problem Requirements	Ideate a Solution for Conceptual Design 1

Module 2 Launcher: The Lotus Effect				
Benchtop Prototyping	Testing the Lotus Effect	Conceptual Design 2	Design Review	Introduce EDPL

Module 3 Design Challenge: Identify & Understand				
Design Challenge Intro: BID & EDP	Understanding the Problem and EDPL	Understanding Existing Engineering Systems with SFM	Product Analysis and Reverse Engineering	Existing Products and Ideate

Module 4 Design Challenge: Heat Transfer & Thermal Regulation				
Understanding Thermoregulation Systems in Nature with SFM	Conceptual Design 1	Thermal Regulation Experiment Part 1: Intro & Setup	Thermal Regulation Experiment Part 2: Analyze Data	Thermal Regulation Part 3: Additional Data/BID Analogy

Module 5 Design Challenge: Ideation & Evaluation				
Design Challenge Part II	Conceptual Design 2	Ideate: Learn about the Morpho Matrix	Conceptual Design 3: Morpho Matrix	Evaluate to Prototype 1

Module 6 Design Challenge: Prototype & Test				
Prototype 1: Build	Prototype 1: Requirements Evaluation	Elaborate to Prototype 2	Prototype 2: Build	Finalize Design

Module 7 Design Challenge: Communicate Solution				

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<b>Create a Pitch Presentation</b>	<b>Class Presentations</b>			
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Unit 1 Module 7: Design Challenge Communicate Solution	Materials
<p><b><u>Module 7 Overview:</u></b> 1.7.1 Create a Pitch Presentation 1.7.2 Class Presentations</p>	<p><b>EDPL</b> activity is to create a PDF of problem output from EDPL.</p> <p>Students practice <b>communicating</b> their final solution to the class this Module</p>

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## 1.7.1. Create a Pitch Presentation

*Students will have 1 class period to prepare their “Pitch” presentation. Because they have detailed notes, images, and a physical prototype in their EDPL, they should be able to complete a digital presentation in 1 class period. Alternatively, students may do poster presentations, which may require additional time and supplies.*

**Teacher Note:** The presentation can be in different forms, one non-tech and one high-tech. If you prefer to have a high tech, you can create virtual presentations using PowerPoint slides and if you prefer going low-tech you can create posters. [If you have time, allow students to have conversations and make their decisions.]

**Explain: 10 min** (Presentation)

**View:** [1.7.1. Presentation Guidelines Slide](#)

Today, you will work with your group to prepare a “Pitch” presentation. This is your chance to communicate your solution to your client and convince them that it solves the problem. Your presentation will be 2- 3 min long with 2 min to answer questions.

**Your Pitch Presentation should include the following:**

**Explain the problem:**

- Who is the client?
- Problem statement
- Problem requirements (can include those you considered, and final requirements)

**Detailed description of your solution:**

- Describe the mechanism and function of this solution.
- Pictures of your prototypes
- Final solution with components labeled.
- List the function each component serves.
- Share prototype testing sensor data.

**Describe how this solution meets the clients needs:**

- Refer back to clients’ needs and the problem requirements.
- Explain how this solution addresses the problem.
- Explain how this solution is better than existing solutions
- Leave them with a final thought you want them to remember about your solution.

**Explore: 40 min** (Group)

**Teacher Note:** The students will work on creating their presentation. Teachers circulate around and help students as needed.

**Student Handouts:**

N/A

**Student Materials:**

N/A

**Instructional PPT's & Materials:**

[1.7.1. Presentation Guidelines Slide](#)

**Teacher Resources:**

N/A

**Web Resources:**

N/A

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<p><b>1.7.2. Class Presentations</b></p> <p><i>Students will give a presentation on their design. Students will reflect on the unit and what they learned about BID.</i></p> <p><b>Before the Lesson:</b> Teachers will need to: make a copy of the <a href="#">Sample Padlet</a>, get a sharable link, then share with students.</p>	<p><b><u>Student Handouts:</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">1.7.2. Reflection</a></p> <p><b><u>Student Materials:</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>Explain/Engage/Evaluate: 35 min</u></b> (Student Presentation)</p> <p>Now it is time for presentations! Every group will have time to present their final design and prototype. You have 2-3 minutes to present and then there will be a 2 min Q&amp;A session where myself and your classmates can ask questions.</p> <p>You should listen to every presentation because you are required to give feedback on each group's design. After the Q&amp;A session, you will have two minutes to give both a Glow and Grow feedback to the presenters on their design and presentation. A Glow is something you thought the group did well. A Grow is something you think the group could improve upon.</p> <p><b>View:</b> <a href="#">1.7.2. Padlet Image</a></p> <p>You will do this on the <a href="#">1.7.2. Presentation Padlet</a> .There will be a column for each group so make sure you are posting in the correct column of the group you are giving feedback to.</p> <p><b><u>Evaluate: 15 min</u></b> (Group)</p> <p>Now you will review the Padlet feedback on your design solution from other students. You will select 3 "Grows" (each from a different reviewer) and discuss with your group how you could incorporate them into your design/design process.</p> <p>Then, you will complete the <a href="#">1.7.2. Reflection</a> organizer reflecting on your project and what you learned about BID with your group.</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p><b><u>Instructional PPT's &amp; Materials:</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">1.7.2. Presentation Padlet</a></p> <p><a href="#">1.7.2. Padlet Image</a></p> <p><b><u>Teacher Resources:</u></b></p> <p>N/A</p> <p><b><u>Web Resources:</u></b></p> <p>N/A</p>