

**Benchmark 2 Scientific Inquiry statements for discussion.**

1. The edge of a circular magnet has the same strength/magnetic force as the north and south pole of the same magnet.
2. Seeds grow faster without sunlight.
3. A smaller cotton ball will go farther than a large cotton ball when being blown by a straw.

**Benchmark 3 Scientific Inquiry statements for discussion.**

1. A water rocket filled with more water will travel a further distance than one with less water.
2. A snail will travel faster on grass than on a glass surface.
3. A car's speed increases as the ramp becomes steeper.

**HS Benchmark Scientific Inquiry statements for discussion.**

1. It is harder to read a moving piece of paper with your head held still than it is to read a still piece of paper while moving your head.
2. The thicker the fluid is, the greater the friction will be on an object's fall.

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**Benchmark 3 Social Studies performance task prompts:**

1. The Northern states benefited as much from Slavery as the Southern states.
2. George Washington's leadership was the most important reason soldiers stayed in the Revolutionary Army.
3. Texas was justified in wanting independence from Mexico.

**HS Social Studies performance task prompts:**

1. High school students should be afforded full First Amendment rights when at school.
2. Helium Three, Solar Power and Nuclear Fusion are the best alternative energy sources.
3. The death penalty is cruel and unusual punishment.