

NECAP 2011 RELEASED ITEMS  
GRADE 8 SCIENCE

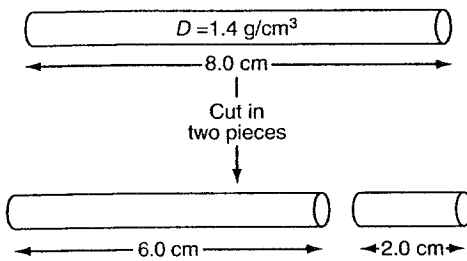
PS1 (5-8) INQ-1 Students will investigate the relationships among mass, volume, and density.

- 1 The table below shows characteristics of a solid, cylindrical rod.

Characteristics of Cylindrical Rod

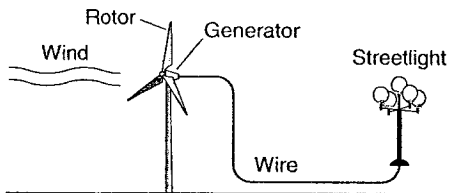
| Mass (g) | Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> ) | Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> ) |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 14.0     | 10.0                      | 1.4                          |

The rod is cut into two pieces, as shown in the diagram below.



What is the density of the piece of the rod that is  $2.0 \text{ cm}$  long?

- A.  $0.7 \text{ g/cm}^3$
  - B.  $1.4 \text{ g/cm}^3$
  - C.  $2.0 \text{ g/cm}^3$
  - D.  $2.8 \text{ g/cm}^3$
- 2 The diagram below shows a windmill system.



Which part of the system directly changes mechanical energy to electrical energy?

- A. rotor
- B. generator
- C. wire
- D. streetlight





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### Organizing and Presenting Your Data

#### Directions:

You will work **on your own** to organize and present your data, analyze and use your results, and evaluate the investigation. You may use the Word Bank below during this session.

#### Word Bank

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| <b>Average</b>    | a typical number for a data set; a value that is found by dividing the sum of a set of terms by the number of terms<br><b>Example:</b> The average of 4, 5, and 9 is $\frac{4 + 5 + 9}{3} = 6$ . |
| <b>Ecosystem</b>  | a part of ecology consisting of the environment, its living parts, and the nonliving parts that affect it  |
| <b>Model</b>      | a simple version of something complex; a representation  |
| <b>Predator</b>   | an animal that kills other animals for food<br><b>Example:</b> the fox   |
| <b>Prediction</b> | what you think will happen based on prior knowledge and experience   |
| <b>Prey</b>       | animals that are caught and eaten by other animals for food<br><b>Example:</b> the rabbits   |
| <b>Shrub</b>      | a low woody plant usually with several stems<br><b>Example:</b> a thorny bush  |
| <b>Trial</b>      | each time you repeat the same experiment   |

#### Directions:

- Copy your data from the data table on page 5 of your Inquiry Booklet to the data table below. **Be sure to double-check that you copied the data correctly.**

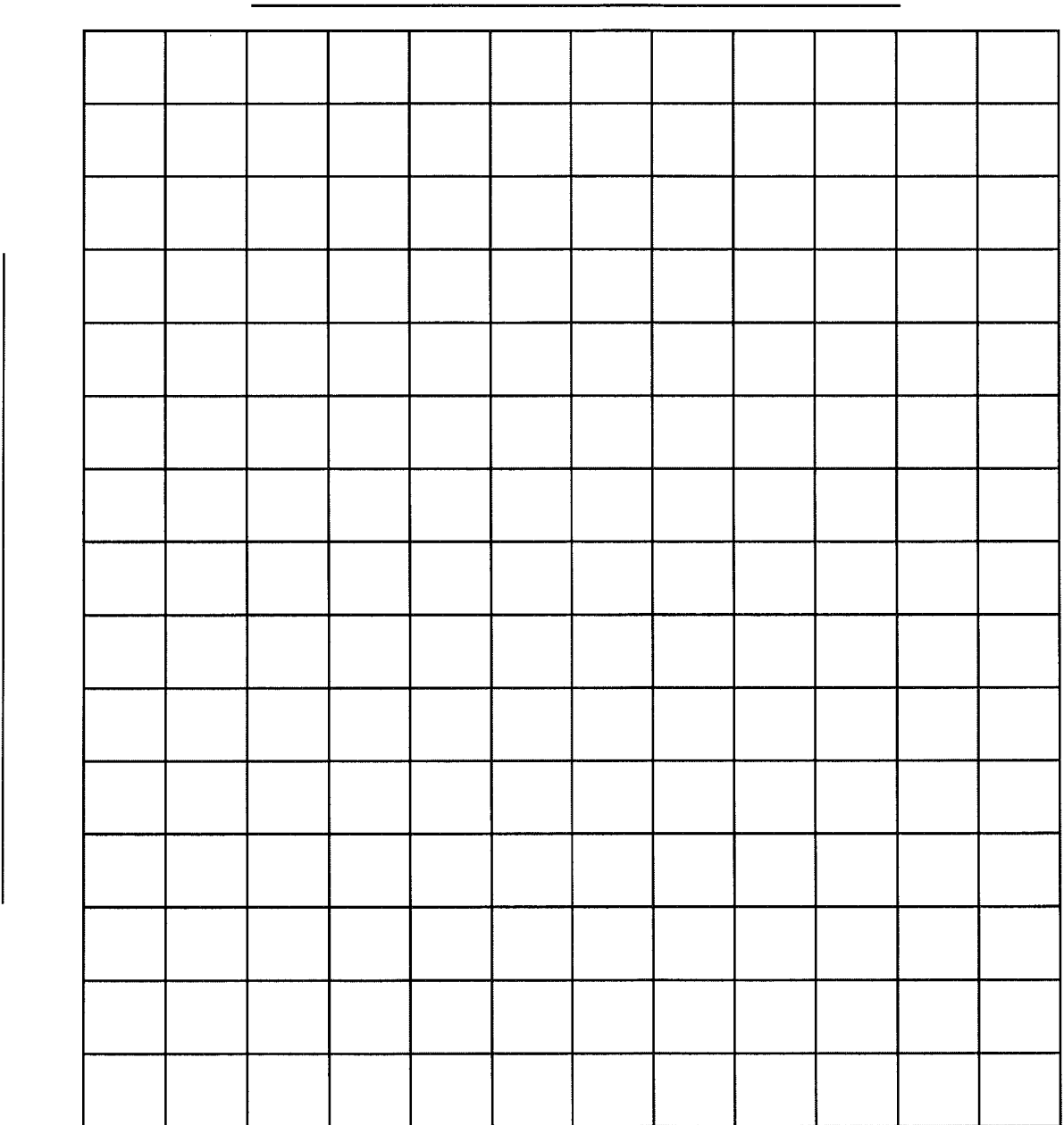
**Data Table: Rabbits Caught by Fox**

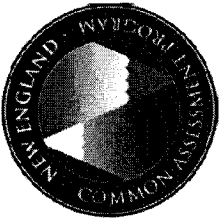
| Rabbits Caught by Fox                   | No Shrubs | Small Shrubs | Medium Shrubs | Large Shrubs |
|---|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Trial 1                                 |           |              |               |              |
| Trial 2                                 |           |              |               |              |
| Trial 3                                 |           |              |               |              |
| Average (round to nearest whole number) |           |              |               |              |

- Answer questions 1 through 7.

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1. Use your calculated **averages** from the data table on page 2 to graph the relationship between shrub size (including no shrubs) and number of rabbits caught by the fox. Include a title and all other required elements of a graph.





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## Spring 2011 - Grade 08 NECAP Tests Grade 08 Students in 2010-2011 Item Analysis Report - Science

School: Demonstration School I  
 District: Demonstration District A  
 State: Rhode Island  
 Code: DA-DEMO1

NOTE: All student names are randomly generated. Any similarity to actual students is purely coincidental.

| Item Number             | Released Inquiry Task |     |     |     |     |     |     |                  |                     |              | Total Test Results   |    |    |                     |              | Achievement Level |     |   |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------|----|----|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----|---|
|                         |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |                  |                     |              | Domain Points Earned |    |    | Total Points Earned | Scaled Score |                   |     |   |
|                         | 1                     | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | Physical Science | Earth Space Science | Life Science | Inquiry              |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |
| Science Domain          | INQ                   | INQ | INQ | INQ | INQ | INQ | INQ | INQ              | INQ                 | INQ          | INQ                  | 15 | 15 | 15                  | 18           | 63                |     |   |
| Inquiry Construct       | 8                     | 4   | 5   | 6   | 13  | 10  | 1   |                  |                     |              |                      |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |
| Depth of Knowledge Code | 3                     | 3   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 2                | 3                   | 2            | 3                    |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |
| Item Type               | CR                    | CR  | SA  | SA  | CR  | SA  | CR  | SA               | CR                  | SA           | CR                   |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |
| Total Possible Points   | 3                     | 3   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 2                | 3                   | 2            | 3                    | 15 | 15 | 15                  | 18           | 63                |     |   |
| Name/Student ID         |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |                  |                     |              |                      |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |
| Amadorfiores, Kelly     | 3                     | 3   | 2   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 2                | 2                   | 2            | 2                    | 7  | 13 | 15                  | 16           | 51                | 850 | 3 |
| Anderson, James L       | 3                     | 3   | 1   | 0   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1                | 1                   | 1            | 1                    | 6  | 8  | 10                  | 11           | 35                | 837 | 2 |
| Broadbrooks, Ryan O     | 2                     | 3   | 1   | 0   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1                | 1                   | 1            | 1                    | 6  | 12 | 14                  | 10           | 42                | 842 | 3 |
| Broadhead, Benjamin L   | 3                     | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 5  | 5  | 5                   | 5            | 20                | 825 | 1 |
| Brown, Mikka A          | 2                     | 3   | 1   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 2                | 1                   | 2            | 2                    | 8  | 8  | 13                  | 12           | 41                | 841 | 3 |
| Brown, Morgan M         | 1                     | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 1                    | 0  | 0  | 0                   | 4            | 4                 | 800 | 1 |
| Burchholz, Kyle A       | 1                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 3  | 3  | 2                   | 1            | 9                 | 809 | 1 |
| Caffrey, Peter A        | 0                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 1  | 2  | 2                   | 0            | 5                 | 800 | 1 |
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| Carpenter, Aren W       | 1                     | 2   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 4  | 4  | 7                   | 4            | 19                | 824 | 1 |
| Casner, Emily R         | 0                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 0  | 0  | 0                   | 0            | 0                 | 0   | 5 |
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| Cooper, Hannah L        | 2                     | 2   | 0   | 1   | 3   | 0   | 1   | 0                | 1                   | 0            | 1                    | 7  | 8  | 7                   | 9            | 31                | 834 | 2 |
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| Gardiner, Dakota L      | 3                     | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1                | 2                   | 1            | 2                    | 9  | 8  | 13                  | 14           | 44                | 843 | 3 |
| Gillespie, Jenna        | 2                     | 2   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0                | 1                   | 0            | 1                    | 8  | 6  | 5                   | 7            | 26                | 830 | 2 |
| Glasscock, James        | 0                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 1                    | 3  | 3  | 3                   | 1            | 10                | 812 | 1 |
| Hathaway, Shane R       | 0                     | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0                | 0                   | 0            | 0                    | 0  | 0  | 0                   | 0            | 0                 | 0   | N |
| Howes, Kaia M           | 1                     | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0                | 1                   | 0            | 1                    | 3  | 7  | 4                   | 8            | 22                | 827 | 1 |
| Hunt, Wade J            | 2                     | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0                | 1                   | 1            | 1                    | 6  | 9  | 7                   | 5            | 27                | 831 | 2 |
| Ibarra, Rosa            | 2                     | 2   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 0                | 1                   | 0            | 1                    | 3  | 5  | 2                   | 7            | 17                | 822 | 1 |
| Jarrard, Eric G         | 3                     | 3   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 1                | 2                   | 1            | 2                    | 9  | 11 | 11                  | 14           | 45                | 844 | 3 |
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| Jones, Andrew A         | 1                     | 3   | 1   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1                | 1                   | 1            | 1                    | 7  | 8  | 11                  | 8            | 34                | 836 | 2 |
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| Jones, Andrew A         | 2                     | 3   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1                | 1                   | 1            | 1                    | 8  | 7  | 10                  | 10           | 35                | 837 | 2 |
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| Meador, Shelby          | 2                     | 0   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1                | 2                   | 2            | 2                    | 14 | 13 | 14                  | 11           | 52                | 851 | 3 |
| Methiankit, Jonathan J  |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |                  |                     |              |                      |    |    |                     |              |                   |     |   |

