

# Freewheeling

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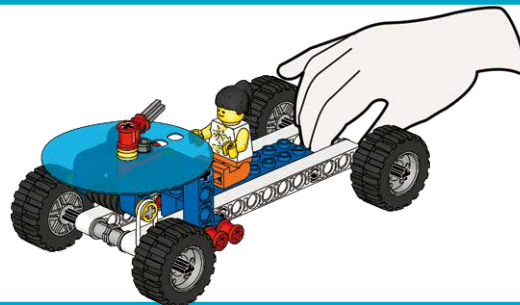
**Which will roll furthest? Heavier or lighter carts, with bigger or smaller wheels? Let's find out!**



## Build the Freewheeler

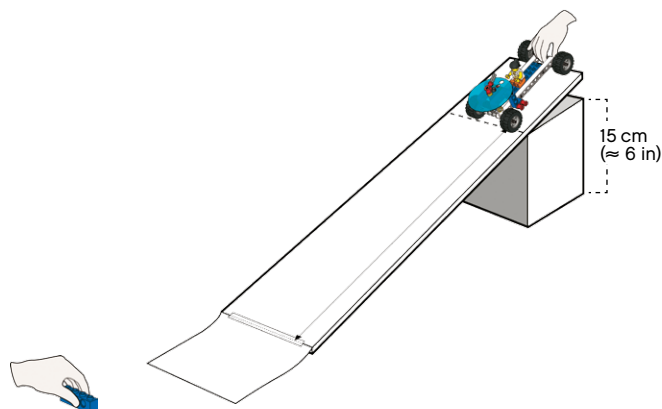
(all of book 3A and book 3B to page 6, step 12)

- Check all axles and bushings to make sure the wheels turn smoothly
- Let your freewheeler run down the ramp



## Which will roll further ... heavy or light loads?

- Tip: Place a marker brick next to the track where you predict the cart will stop
- Reset the pointer on the dial after each test run



## Are big wheels better than small?

- Try using big wheels on the back axle

**Test accordingly, following the challenges below:**

	My Prediction	My Measurements
Extra weight		
Big wheels		
Big wheels and extra weight		
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## Did you know?

The empty cart weighs about 58 g (≈ 2 oz). And the weight brick weighs 53 g (≈ 1.9 oz)... almost the same! The big wheels weigh 16 g (≈ 0.5 oz) each and the small ones only 6 g (≈ 0.2 oz) each.

**Larger Scales ... and Steeper Hills**

Build book 3B to page 12, step 12  
 Change the ramp position to be 30 cm (≈ 12in) high.  
 Test your different types of freewheelers.

**What I found out when making the slope steeper:**

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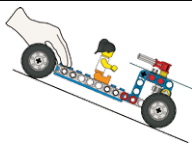
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	<b>My Prediction</b>	<b>My Measurements</b>
		

**My amazing downhill racer!**

Draw your favourite freewheeler design.  
 Explain how the 3 best parts work.