

Reflection

This project was fairly effective in getting us out and measuring buildings; although I thought it would have been cool if we were asked to figure out our own way of measuring. I found an alternate method to measure the height using really simple trigonometry and a thing that Mr. Pilla showed me called a *clinometer*. I think you could use these methods if you ever needed to measure your own house, however most people might still have blueprints or some information that states the dimensions of their house. Overall, the experience was good, but felt repetitive at times. If the goal was to educate us on angles and shapes I think it was successful, but I understood it after measuring the lockers in the hallway; changing the scale and multiplying the number of structures did not really help.

I liked doing the drawing. That was really fun. I feel like getting something done neatly in a small amount of time is very satisfying. Jenny and I worked really hard on making our blueprint, making it the best it could be. We all tried to contribute our best work even when time was running out. I did not like doing all the verifications and redoing most of my measurements. If I could have done it again I would have used the clinometer method to see how well it works. I enjoyed most of the project, it was not stressful but not too easy.

I learned how to block out my time in class and after school and at lunch. I feel like I did a good amount of work on the project, especially on the measuring. I think Reggie did the best work in our group, completing a wonderful written description for us and organizing our project. I don't think our project would have been completed if not for Reggie's tenacity and devotion to the project. We learned how to cooperate as a group and were successful in our ventures and time management even if some of our measurements were slightly off. The cold weather did't help.