

# CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2005 PROJECT SUMMARY

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**Project Number** 

**J1507** 

## **Project Title**

# **Exploring Evaporation through Colors**

## Abstract

# **Objectives/Goals**

My project was to determine what color of plastic (red, purple, black, clear) helps water to evaporate more efficiently.

#### Methods/Materials

Four plastic containers

- -inside each container:
- one small cup
- sixteen cups of water
- six tablespoons of dirt
- -covering each container:
- one sheet of colored plastic

tape

one quarter/used as weight

#### **Results**

Collected water from each container:

- -black 0.5 ml
- -purple 8.5 ml
- -red 9.0 ml
- -clear 39 ml

### **Conclusions/Discussion**

My hypothesis was wrong; I thought that the red plastic wrap would be the best because it was a dark shade (which would attract heat) and it was translucent (which would let light shine through). In conclusion, the clear plastic wrap was more efficient.

## **Summary Statement**

How do colors affect evaporation?

## **Help Received**

Dad helped to find the materials.