

# CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2010 PROJECT SUMMARY

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**Project Title** 

An Arrow's Flight

#### **Abstract**

## **Objectives/Goals**

The goal of my experiment was to learn at what angle an arrow will fly the farthest distance.

#### Methods/Materials

The materials used were: a bow (with a set draw length and weight), three identical arrows, a range finder, a rag, a release, a quiver, a protractor, and an assistant. The procedure was to shoot the three arrows with the bow at different angles to see which angle makes the arrow travel the farthest. I then measured the distance the arrow traveled with the range finder. I then calculated the average distance traveled by the arrow at each angle.

#### **Results**

My result was that the arrow traveled the farthest distance when it was shot at the 45 degree angle. Although the arrows shot at 40 and 50 degrees traveled a great distance, they did not travel as far as the arrows shot at 45 degrees.

### **Conclusions/Discussion**

My hypothesis was correct. The arrow traveled the farthest when shot at the 45 degree angle. To find the maximum distance an arrow can fly with a certain bow, shoot it at a 45 degree angle. Then you will be able to find the maximum distance an arrow can fly with a certain bow. This information would be helpful in archery tournaments when shooting without sights.

## **Summary Statement**

My experiment determined at which angle an arrow will travel the greatest distance.

#### Help Received

Mother helped measure angle; Father helped measure distance; Kirigin Cellars supplied land.