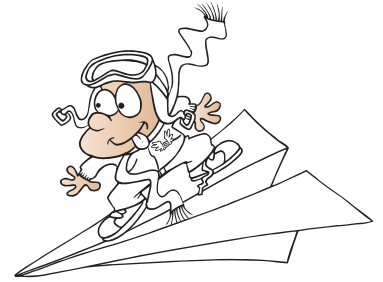


From Flops to Flights

Mission Goal:

Show that mistakes and “flops” aren’t failures—they’re secret clues that make you smarter, more creative, and unstoppable.



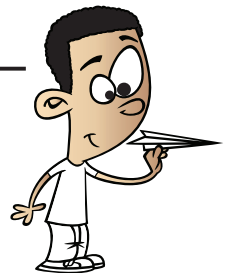
Your Mission Briefing:

Today, we’re going to launch... not just paper airplanes... but a fleet of flop-powered flying machines!

This isn’t about being the farthest flyer—it’s about discovering the amazing science behind crashes, nose-dives, and loop-de-loops.

Step 1: First Flight

1. Grab only one sheet of paper.
2. Fold it into any kind of plane you want—no instructions, no right way, just your own brain power.
3. Give it a name: The First-Try Flyer, The Crash-o-Matic—whatever makes you smile.
4. Find a safe open space (inside or outside).
5. One by one, launch your planes into history!



Rule: We cheer the loudest for the most creative flops!

Step 2: Flight Lessons

After the first flight, huddle up and ask:

1. “What happened up there?”
2. “Too heavy? Too light? Wings lopsided?”

Now redesign: grab a new sheet of paper, change a fold, reshape the wings, add a drawing with vibrant colors.

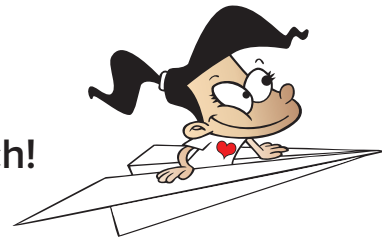
This is NOT starting over—it’s building on your new knowledge.

Step 3: The Flight Test

1. Launch again!
2. Some will soar. Some will belly flop. Some will invent a never-before-seen crash pattern.
3. That's great—now you have fresh clues to work with!

Step 4: The Final Launch!

1. Grab a new piece of paper
2. Do one last redesign
3. Count it down together— 3,2,1... launch!



Debrief: Fail Forward

Circle up and talk about:

1. “What was different between your first and last try?”
2. “What did your flops teach you?”
3. “What might you have missed if you had quit after your first crash?”

Award Wacky Titles for the Teams/Planes:

Hand out titles like:

1. Fastest Nose Dive
2. Coolest Mid-Air Spin
3. Best Crash Landing
4. Most Improved Pilot

Take photos of the winners with their planes and certificates to share with your friends.