

Recommended for ages 10 to adult.
Adult supervision recommended
for those under 12 years of age
when flying model rockets.

1 MODEL KIT - Paint and glue
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HL-20TM LIFTING BODY

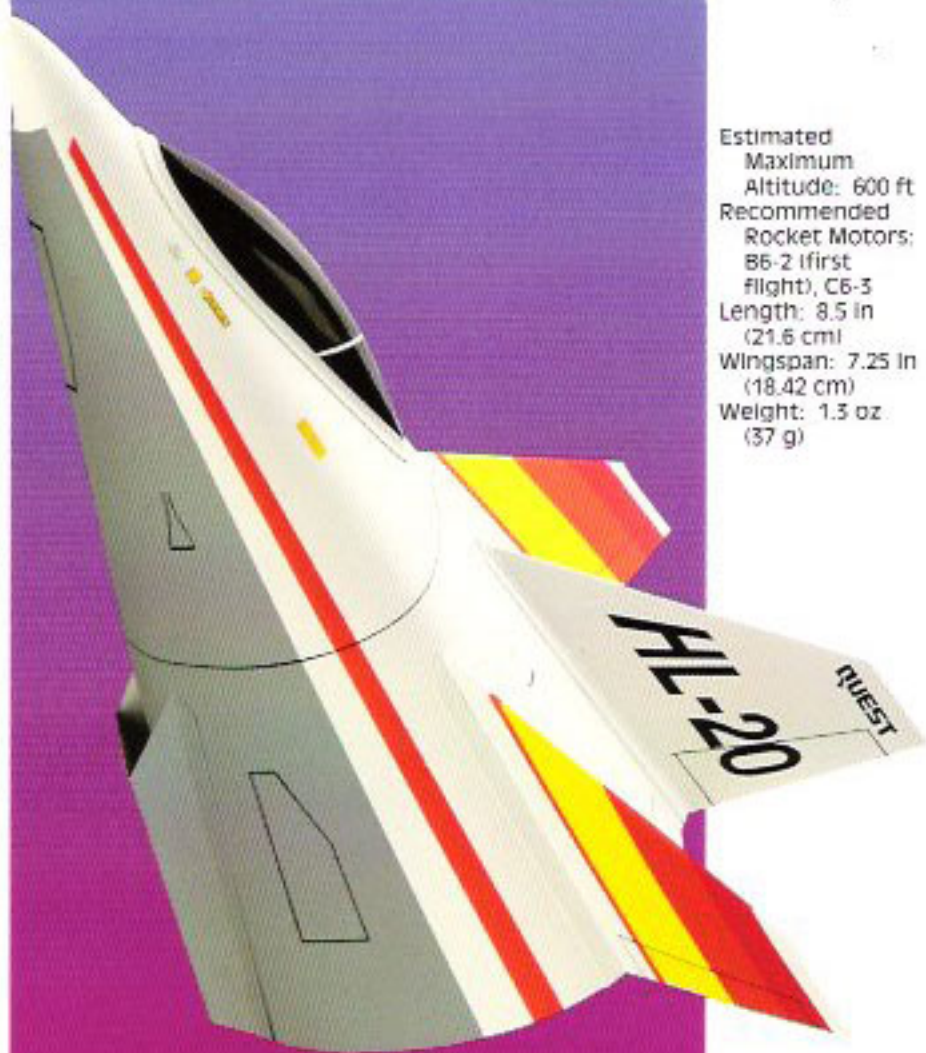
Flying Model Rocket

- Blasts off vertically and returns to Earth as a glider, just like NASA lifting bodies.
- Motor ejects with 24" streamer recovery while cone-shaped body glides down.
- Includes Quest's advanced design features: Kevlar[®] Shock Cord System, Easy-Lock Motor Mount and Grippers[™] Recovery System (see back panel).
- Features preprinted aeroshroud, vacuum-formed canopy and plastic nose cone.



24" Streamer
Recovery

Estimated
Maximum
Altitude: 600 ft
Recommended
Rocket Motors:
B6-2 (first
flight), C6-3
Length: 8.5 in
(21.6 cm)
Wingspan: 7.25 in
(18.42 cm)
Weight: 1.3 oz.
(37 g)



Incredibly detailed, preprinted aeroshroud lends authenticity to this NASA-style lifting body.

This kit requires assembly.

White glue, plastic cement, finishing supplies, launch system and rocket motors for launching are not included.

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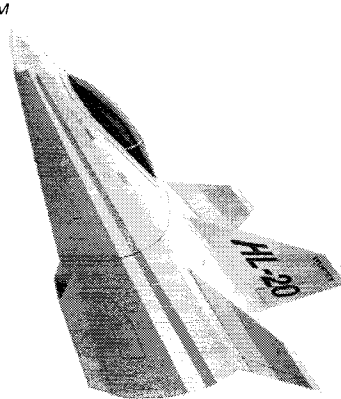
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HL-20 LIFTING BODY™ ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS



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Skill Level Two



Things You'll Need To Assemble this Kit: Hobby Knife, Pencil



Sandpaper (220 or 320 Grit)

White Glue

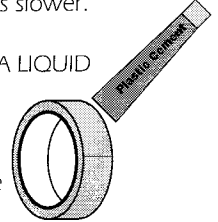
Aliphatic Resin glues work best such as TITEBOND or ELMER'S CARPENTER'S WOOD GLUE - ELMER'S WHITE SCHOOL GLUE also works but dries slower.

Plastic Cement

Use TESTORS TUBE Plastic Cement, PACTRA LIQUID CEMENT or other comparable brands. DO NOT use cyanoacrylate glue.

Tape

Scotch Magic Tape or Paper Masking Tape

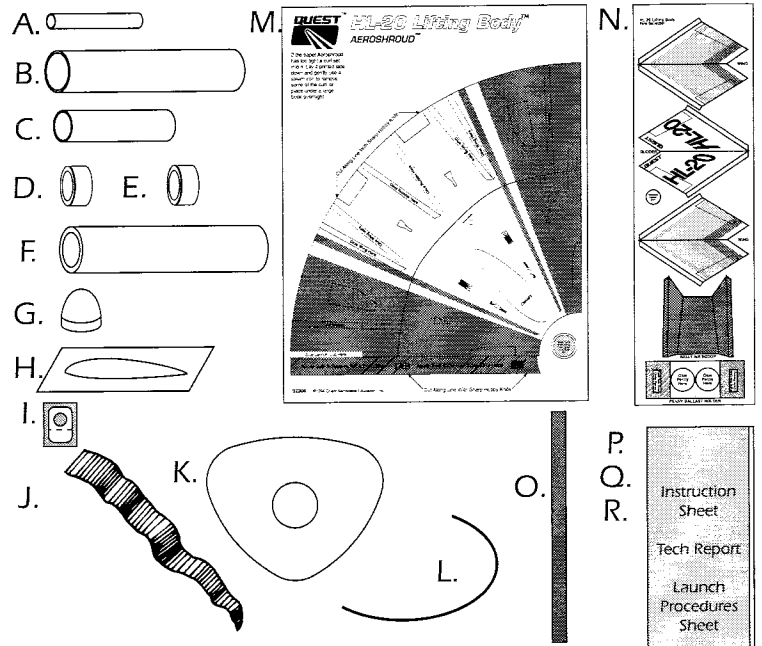


BEFORE STARTING ASSEMBLY READ THROUGH THESE INSTRUCTIONS. IT IS BEST TO TEST FIT ALL PARTS BEFORE APPLYING ANY GLUE. READ AND FOLLOW THE NAR MODEL ROCKET SAFETY CODE.

PARTS LIST

- A. 10001 2 Inch Launch Lug
- B. 10305 Yellow Motor Mount Tube
- C. 11001 White Recovery System Tube
- D. 14000 Blue Thrust Ring
- E. 14001 Green Centering Ring
- F. 10912 Empty Motor Casing
- G. 20050 Plastic Nose Cone
- H. 21600 Vac Form Canopy
- I. 28000 GRIPPER Tab
- J. 28152 12 Inch Plastic Streamer
- K. 33017 Die-Cut Former Plate
- L. 50050 12 Inch Yellow Kevlar
- M. 92306 Paper Aeroshroud
- N. 92307 Paper Parts Set
- O. 94017 7 Inch Double Faced Tape
- P. 96016 Instruction Sheet
- Q. 96116 Tech Report
- R. 90960 Launch Procedure Sheet

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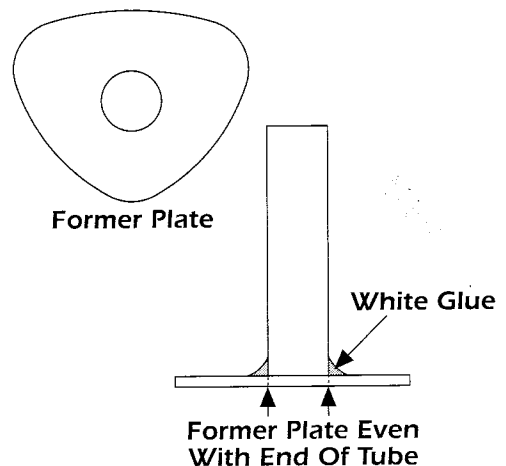


PARTS NOT TO SCALE

STEP 1

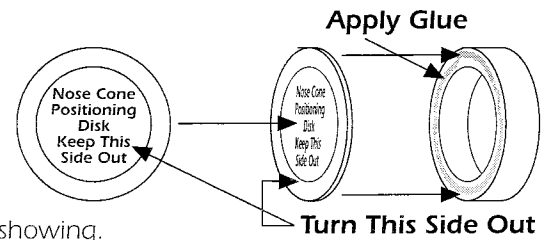
- A.** Slip the die-cut Former Plate onto the Yellow Motor Mount Tube.
- B.** Stand the Former Plate/Yellow Tube upright on a table top and push the Former Plate down so that it is even with the end of the Yellow Tube.
- C.** Apply a bead of white glue all the way around the Former Plate/Yellow Tube joint. Smooth out the glue with your finger. Wipe any excess glue off your finger onto a paper towel or tissue.

NOTE: Stand the assembly upright on a table to dry.



STEP 2

- Use a sharp hobby knife to cut out the nose cone positioning disk from the Aeroshroud sheet.
- Apply a bead of white glue around one end of the Green Centering Ring. Place the nose cone positioning disk into the bead of glue making sure the Green Ring is centered on the disk and the nose cone positioning target is showing.

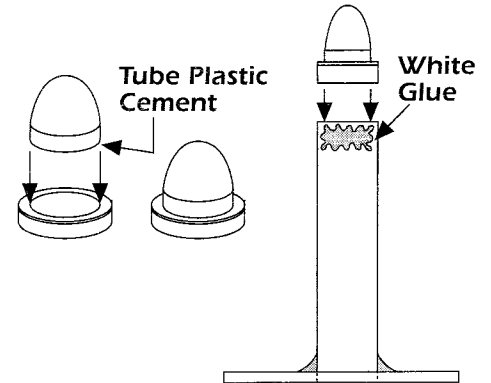


STEP 3

- Apply a bead of tube type plastic cement around the base of the plastic nose cone. Position the Plastic Nose Cone onto the target area on the Nose Cone Positioning Disk.

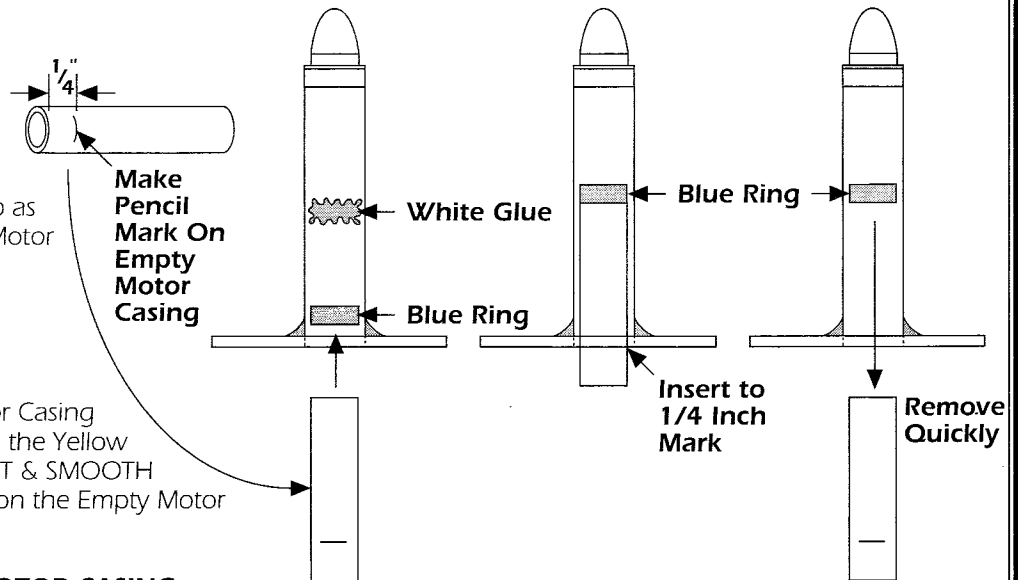
Check to be sure Plastic Nose Cone is Centered on Disk.

- Apply a bead of white glue around inside edge of the Yellow Motor Mount Tube as shown.
- Insert the Green Ring/Nose Cone assembly into the Yellow Motor Mount tube so it is even with the end of the Yellow Tube.



STEP 4

- Make a pencil mark 1/4 inch (.635cm) from one end of the Empty Motor Casing.
- Place a bead of white glue as deep as possible around inside of Yellow Motor Mount Tube as shown.
- Insert the Blue Thrust Ring into Yellow Tube.
- Immediately insert the Empty Motor Casing and push the Blue Thrust Ring into the Yellow Motor Mount Tube WITH ONE FAST & SMOOTH MOTION up to the 1/4 inch mark on the Empty Motor Casing you made in part A. shown.



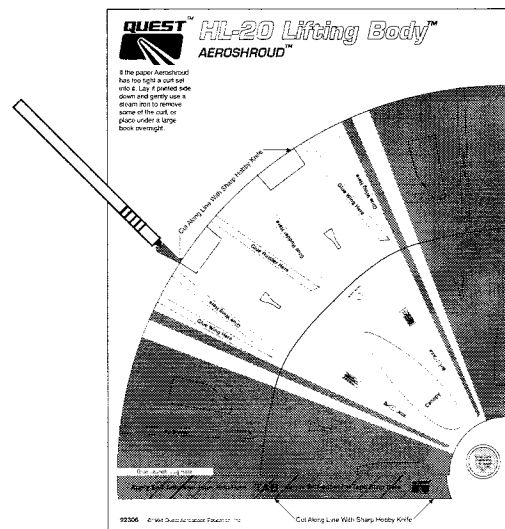
IMMEDIATELY REMOVE EMPTY MOTOR CASING

STEP 5

- Unroll the paper Aeroshroud and lay it printed side up on a flat surface
- Using a sharp hobby knife, cut right on the printed outline of the Aeroshroud to remove it from the sheet.

Note: Scissors are not recommended for this step. Use a sharp hobby knife for best accuracy.

If the paper Aeroshroud has too tight a curl set into it, lay it printed side down and gently use a steam iron to remove some of the curl.



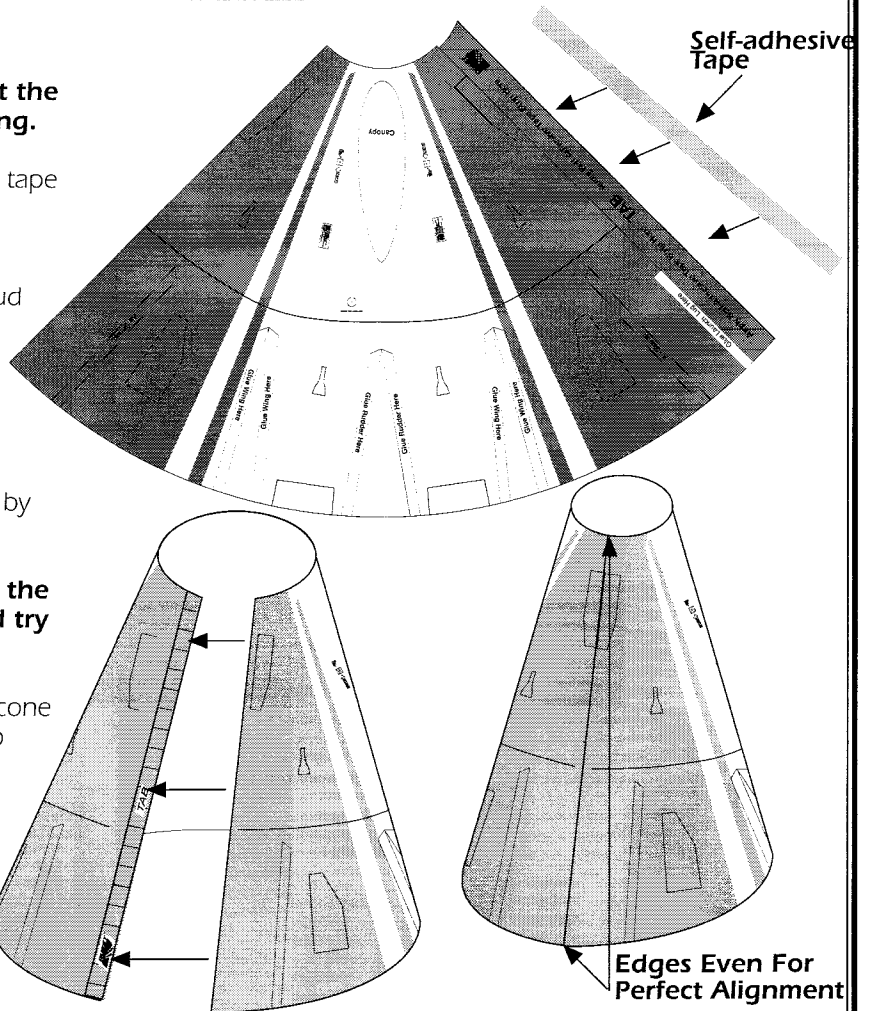
STEP 6

Note: Practice forming the Aeroshroud without the self-adhesive strip a few times before proceeding.

- Remove the white backing from the self-adhesive tape strip.
- Place the tape strip along the edge of the paper Aeroshroud. Burnish the tape onto the Aeroshroud with your finger.
- Remove the brown paper backing from the tape strip leaving behind the adhesive strip along the edge of the Aeroshroud.
- Carefully form the Aeroshroud into a cone shape by aligning the two edges of the shroud together.

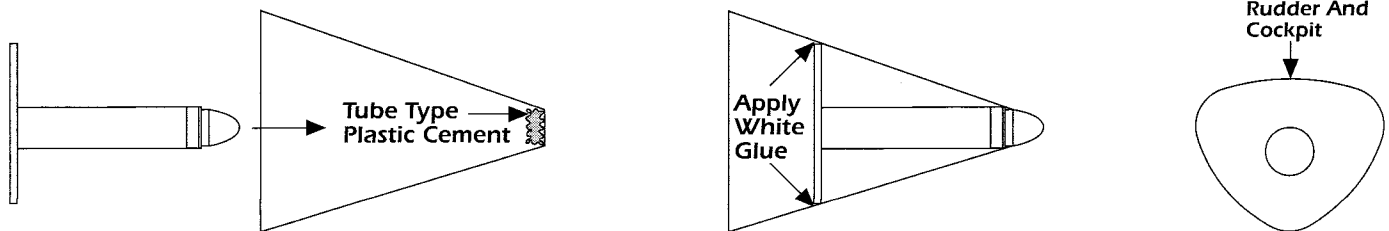
Note: If you do not get a perfect alignment on the first try, gently peel the two surfaces apart and try again.

After you have aligned the shroud correctly, lay the cone on a flat surface with the seam facing down and rub your finger back and forth along the seam.



STEP 7

- Important: Test fit the Aeroshroud before applying any glue.** Apply a small bead of tube type plastic cement around the inside front edge of the Aeroshroud.
- Slide the Aeroshroud onto the Yellow Motor Mount Tube assembly. Carefully position the shroud on the Former Plate so the Rudder and Cockpit will be aligned as shown.
- After Aeroshroud is positioned properly, apply white glue to the Aeroshroud/Former Plate joint as shown.

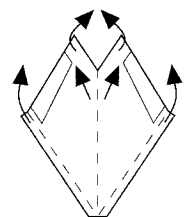


STEP 8

- Use a sharp hobby knife to cut out the Rudder and Wings.

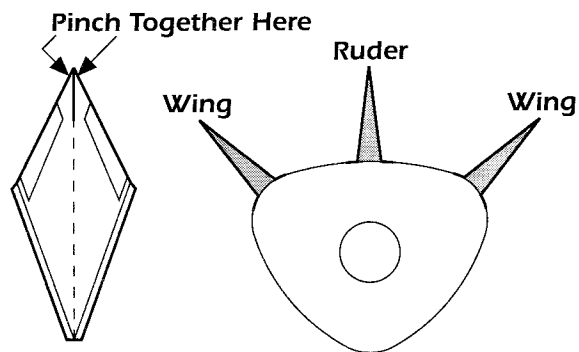
HOW TO GET "CRISP & SHARP" FOLDS: Very gently "scribe" along the fold line by carefully running a sharp hobby knife along the line. **DO NOT APPLY PRESSURE TO THE KNIFE.** The object is to just break the surface of the paper - not to cut through it. Based on the direction of the fold needed, you may need to make your knife scribe on the back (unprinted) side of the paper.

- Fold each Wing and Rudder as shown.



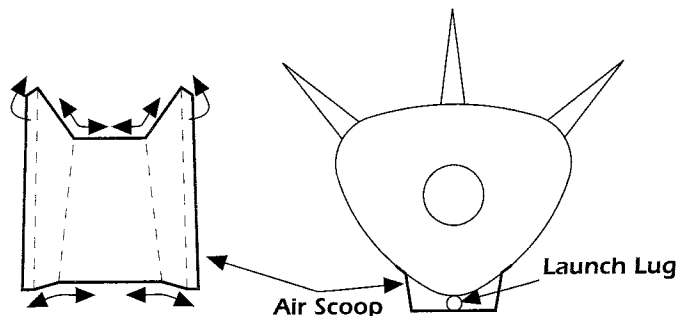
STEP 9

- Apply a small amount of white glue to the inside tip of each Wing and Rudder. Pinch the tip together and hold until the glue holds.
- Apply white glue to the glue tabs on one Wing. Position the Wing along the target area marked on the Aeroshroud.
- Check alignment and hold in place until the glue holds.
- Repeat procedure for remaining Wing and Rudder



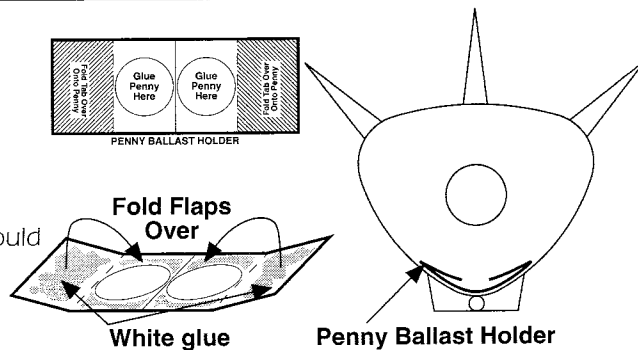
STEP 10

- Apply white glue to the launch lug and place it along the target area on the bottom of the Aeroshroud.
- Use a sharp hobby knife to cut out the belly air scoop. Fold as shown.
- Apply white glue to the glue tabs and position on belly of Aeroshroud as shown.



STEP 11

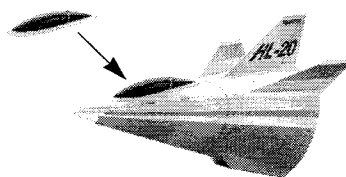
- Use a sharp hobby knife to cut out the Penny Ballast Holder.
- Fold as shown.
- Apply a generous amount of white glue to the penny targets. Position one penny (not supplied) in each target. Each penny should be completely surrounded with glue.
- Fold retaining flaps over pennies.
- Apply white glue to the assembly and place it along the inside bottom edge of the Aeroshroud as shown.



TIP: Hold assembly to Aeroshroud while drying with two clothespins.

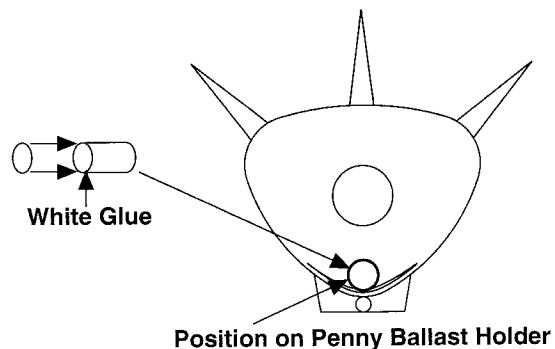
STEP 12

- Use a sharp hobby knife to cut out the Vac-form plastic canopy.
- Tip: MAKE SEVERAL LIGHTSCRIBES WITH YOUR KNIFE. DO NOT TRY TO CUT ALL THE WAY THROUGH THE PLASTIC AT ONE TIME.**
- Lightly sand the edges of the canopy to remove any rough edges.
 - Apply a bead of tube type plastic cement to the inside edge of the canopy.
 - Position the canopy on the target area on the Aeroshroud. Allow to dry.



STEP 13

- Cut out the Recovery System Disk from the flat parts set.
- Apply a bead of white glue around one end of the White Recovery System Tube.
- Apply a bead of white glue down one side of the Tube / Disk assembly. Position the Tube on the center of the Penny Ballast Holder on the rear inside edge of the Aeroshroud.



FLYING YOUR HL-20 LIFTING BODY™

WHAT ELSE YOU WILL NEED:

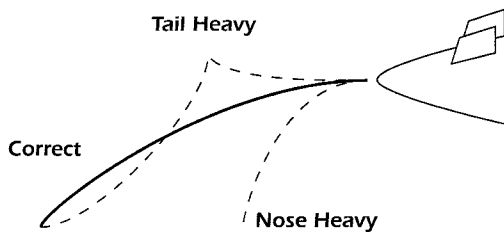
To successfully fly your rocket you will need the following items:

- QUEST Launch Pad (No. 7600)
- QUEST Launch Controller (No. 7500)
- QUEST Rocket Motors, Type B6-2, C6-3,
- Use B6-2 for your first flights.

TRIMMING GLIDE OF HL-20 BEFORE FLIGHT

NOTE: Trim the HL-20 **without** a motor installed.

- Hand launch the glider by grasping it between your fingers just behind the nose cone. Toss it gently with an overhand motion into a flight path slightly below horizontal. Do this several times because you may not toss it properly.
- If the model dives into the ground every time you toss it, it is nose heavy. Add a small amount of modeling clay to the rear on top of the penny ballast holder.
- If the model pulls up into a stall, it is tail heavy. Add a pinch of modeling clay to the nose.



PREPING YOUR HL-20 FOR FLIGHT

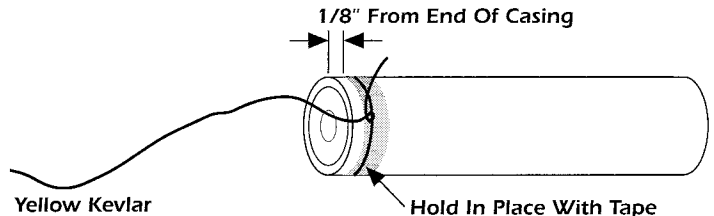
Your HL-20 is designed to completely eject the motor casing at apogee. Always use the included streamer recovery system for the motor casing to avoid any possible injury from the falling motor casing.

STEP 1

- Peel the backing off the GRIPPER tab and attach it to one end of the plastic streamer. Firmly squeeze the GRIPPER tab and streamer between your fingers.
- Make two overhand knots to tie the loose end of the short Yellow Kevlar Cord through the hole in the GRIPPER tab.

STEP 2

- Tightly wrap the loose end of the Yellow Kevlar around the nozzle end of your rocket motor approximately 1/8 inch from the end of the motor casing.
- Wrap a piece of paper masking tape over the Kevlar to fasten the Kevlar Cord securely to the outside of the motor casing.



STEP 3

- Install a TigerTail igniter into the rocket motor before installing the rocket motor into your HL-20.
- Install the rocket motor into the HL-20. Motor should fit into motor mount so it will not fall out when the HL-20 is slid down the launch rod. If needed, apply only enough paper masking tape to the outside of the motor to prevent it from slipping out.
DO NOT APPLY EXCESS TAPE.

STEP 4

- Grab the plastic streamer at its center and fold it in half. Continue to fold the streamer in half until it is small enough to fit into the recovery system tube at the rear of the HL-20.
- Pack the streamer into the recovery system tube so that any extra length of Yellow Kevlar is also packed into the recovery system tube.

READ AND FOLLOW THE ENCLOSED LAUNCHING PROCEDURE SHEET

READ AND FOLLOW THE N.A.R. SAFETY CODE DURING ALL YOUR MODEL ROCKETRY ACTIVITIES.



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MODEL ROCKET LIFTING BODIES

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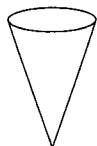
A lifting body is basically an aircraft that generates aerodynamic lift by its shape, rather than the addition of an airfoiled wing. Lifting bodies that have small wings or fins generally use these only as control surfaces - not for lift. The shape of a lifting body's fuselage determines its gliding abilities.

NASA first began developing lifting bodies in the 1960's during the Apollo program. Much of the research was then used in the development of the Space Shuttle. Early lifting body prototypes included the X-24A and the HL-10.

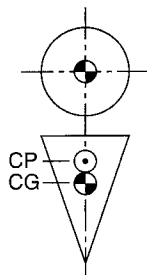
The QUEST HL-20 is used in this report as a model rocket glider employing principles of real lifting bodies.



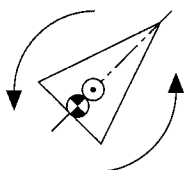
1) A falling piece of plain paper will not plummet straight to the ground like a rock. It tumbles and slips from side to side in an unpredictable and unstable flight path.



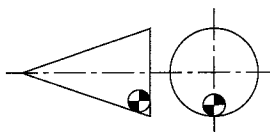
2) Now the paper is rolled into a cone shape. It will fall fairly straight, point first.



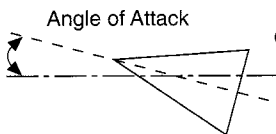
3) The cone's center-of-gravity (balance Point) is ahead of its center-of-pressure (theoretical point where all aerodynamic forces seem to converge).



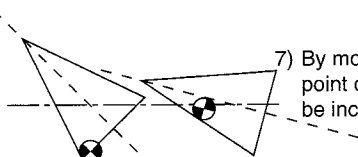
4) Adding a heavy circular base to the cone moves the CG behind the CP. The cone's shape makes it try to streamline in, but the rearward weight makes it try to fall tail first. These forces "fight" each other, and cause the cone to tumble as it falls.



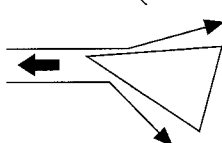
5) These two forces can be made to cooperate by moving the weight to one side, at the cone base.



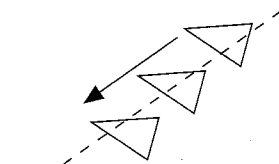
6) When the correct amount of weight is used, the nose cone will fall through the air with the nose pointing up, at a slight angle (called the angle of attack).



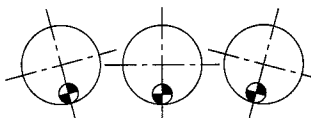
7) By moving the CG toward or away from the point of the cone, the angle of attack can be increased or decreased.



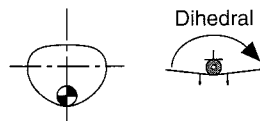
8) The cone moves through the air, creating resistance, or drag. The bottom surface is at a greater angle of attack than the top surface, therefore the bottom surface meets more air resistance.



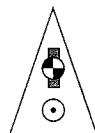
9) The cone "rides" this air resistance down at a gradual angle, like a sled coasting downhill. This is a form of flat plate lift. While not as efficient as an airfoil, it allows a gradual, safe descent.



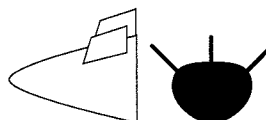
10) The cone still has a tendency to sway or roll from side to side as it descends.



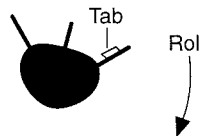
11) Changing the cone's cross section to a semi-triangular shape helps avoid roll. This is similar to the dihedral of airplane wings... the craft "settles" into a neutral middle position.



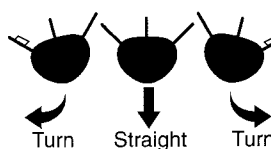
12) Placing the model rocket motor in the front of the cone makes it very stable in upward flight. CG is well ahead of CP.



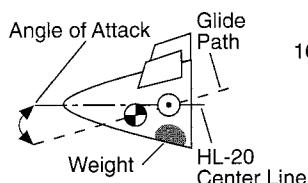
13) Fins are unnecessary for a gliding return. However addition of fins will stabilize the cone at motor ejection, and prevent it from being thrown end over end.



14) Bending up a tab on one wing creates drag on that side causing cone to roll. The roll causes the flight path to veer towards tabbed side.



15) By rolling the cone in flight, cone can be steered to right or left. Tabs can also be used to cancel tendency to turn.



16) The motor ejects, causing the CG to shift down and to the rear. In glide configuration, the HL-20 remains stable (CG ahead of CP), but off center CG forces the HL-20 to fly at a positive angle of attack.



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LAUNCHING PROCEDURES

This sheet covers basic Launching Procedures for single stage model rockets with parachute or streamer recovery systems. Review your kit instructions for additional information about your model rocket. Specific details for launching multi-stage models, glider recovery vehicles or other different types of model rockets are featured in the instructions of specific kits.

TIGERTAIL IGNITER INSTALLATION

Launch your model rockets by electrical means only. Use a Quest Launch Controller and TigerTail Igniters. Install TigerTail Igniter carefully, following these instructions.

STEP 1 Remove Black Die-Cut Dots as Shown

A) Carefully remove self-adhesive TigerTail sticker from its backing sheet.

B) Remove the two die-cut black dots from the TigerTail sticker.

C) Wrap the "T" shaped end of the TigerTail sticker around the nozzle end of the rocket motor.

D) Bend sticker to the side away from the rocket motor. **Copper Igniter Wire**

E) Place the coated end of the copper igniter wire into the rocket motor nozzle, as far as it will go. **Igniter Wire**

STEP 2

A) Using your finger to hold the igniter in place, bend the copper igniter wire onto the adhesive surface of the TigerTail sticker, centered over the hole as shown. **TigerTail Sticker**

B) Fold TigerTail sticker over and onto the copper igniter wire. Be sure the copper igniter wire is centered and visible through both holes in the TigerTail sticker. **Center Igniter Wire Over Hole**

STEP 3

A) Using your finger to hold copper igniter wire against motor nozzle, straighten the TigerTail Igniter as shown. **TigerTail Igniter**

B) Place rocket motor with TigerTail Igniter into the motor mount of the rocket. **Bend**

C) For best results **DO NOT** place motor mount clip over TigerTail Igniter.

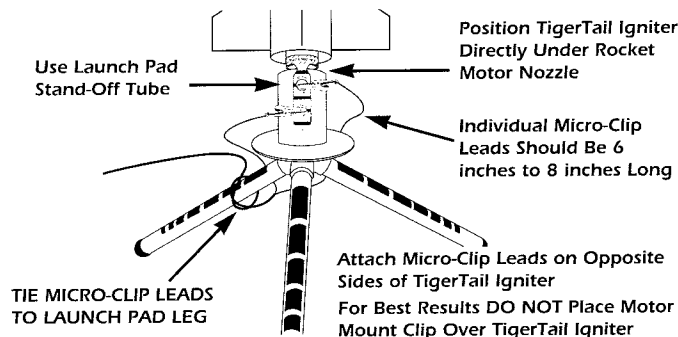
STEP 4

A) ANCHOR THE LAUNCH CONTROLLER'S MICRO-CLIP LEADS TO THE LAUNCH PAD BY ATTACHING THEM TO A LAUNCH PAD LEG USING A SINGLE OVERHAND KNOT. This prevents micro-clip leads from easily pulling away from the launch pad. **TIE MICRO-CLIP LEADS TO LAUNCH PAD**

B) Micro-clip lead wire should also be pulled apart so each individual micro-clip lead is 6" to 8" long.

C) Attach one micro-clip lead from the launch controller to each hole, where the copper igniter wire is exposed, on the TigerTail Igniter. For best results bring one micro-clip lead around each side of the Launch Rod Stand-Off tube before hooking up to TigerTail Igniter. **Position TigerTail Igniter Directly Under Rocket Motor Nozzle**

D) Be sure TigerTail Igniter points straight down under rocket motor nozzle when micro-clip leads are attached. Micro-clips should be positioned on opposite sides of the TigerTail Igniter. **Individual Micro-Clip Leads Should Be 6 inches to 8 inches Long**



LAUNCH SITE SELECTION: Select a large area away from tall trees, power lines and low flying aircraft. Parks, playgrounds, soccer and football fields make great launch sites. **DO NOT LAUNCH ROCKETS IN AREAS WITH BROWN GRASS, DRY WEEDS, OBSTRUCTIONS OR ANY HIGHLY FLAMMABLE MATERIALS.** The larger the launch site the easier it will be to recover your rocket. See the N.A.R. Safety Code for additional information.

Motor Type	Minimum Site Dimensions (feet)
A	100
B	200
C	400

LAUNCH PREPARATIONS: (1) Parachute Recovery Wadding should be positioned between the rocket motor and the recovery system to prevent scorching of the parachute or streamer. The wadding should loosely fill the body tube for a depth of approximately two body tube diameters. Crumble the wadding loosely to get maximum bulk and a good seal against the wall of the body tube. See Recovery Wadding instructions for more information.

(2) Recheck the recovery system of your model to be sure it has been prepped and packed per its instructions. Your parachute or streamer should fit loosely inside the rocket's body tube so it can deploy easily. Lightly dust your parachute with baby or talcum powder to keep it from developing a set shape inside your rocket body tube. This technique is especially effective if the weather is hot and humid or is very cold.

(3) Check the nose cone fit to be sure it's snug, but not too tight. If it's too loose add a small piece of tape to the shoulder of the nose cone. If it's too tight lightly sand the shoulder of the nose cone and/or stretch the end of the body tube slightly by inserting the pointed end of the nose cone into the body tube and gently twist it back and forth a few times.

(4) To select the correct rocket motor consult the current Quest Catalog, product packaging or instruction sheet for recommended rocket motors to use in your model. Follow all igniter and rocket motor installation procedures.

(5) Install the TigerTail Igniter into the rocket motor per the TigerTail Igniter instructions.

(6) When placing the rocket motor into the easy-lock motor mount be sure the motor mount clip is securely positioned over the end of the rocket motor. **For best results DO NOT place the motor mount clip over the tigertail igniter.**

(7) Unwind the wire leads from your Launch Controller and place the controller the full length of the wire leads away from the launch pad (at least 15 feet). Be sure the launch controller is disarmed and is in good working condition. Micro-clips must be clean. **ATTACH THE CONTROLLER'S MICRO-CLIP LEADS TO THE LAUNCH PAD BY TYING THEM TO ONE OF THE LAUNCH PAD LEGS WITH A SINGLE OVER HAND KNOT.** Micro-clip lead wire should be pulled apart so each individual micro-clip lead is 6 inches to 8 inches long.

(8) ALWAYS USE CAUTION WHEN BENDING OVER YOUR LAUNCH PAD TO AVOID EYE INJURY. Remove the launch rod safety cap and lower the rocket onto the launch pad positioning it on the Launch Rod Stand-Off several inches above the blast deflector. The launch lug on the rocket's body tube should glide easily over the launch rod. **Be sure there are no rough surfaces or obstructions on the launch rod which could hinder the lift-off of the model.** For eye safety keep the tip of the launch rod covered with the Launch Rod Safety Cap until you are just ready to begin the countdown.

(9) Be sure the Safety Key is with you before hooking up the micro-clips to the TigerTail Igniter. Attach one micro-clip lead to each hole in the TigerTail Igniter where the copper wire is exposed. The micro-clips **MUST NOT** touch each other or the blast deflector. Use the Launch Rod Stand-Off, an empty motor casing or piece of tape wrapped around the launch rod to position the rocket several inches above the blast deflector to keep the micro-clips from touching it and shorting out. For best results bring one micro-clip lead around each side of the Launch Rod Stand-Off and the hook up to TigerTail Igniter.

COUNT DOWN PROCEDURE: (1) When your rocket is ready to launch be sure you and all spectators are standing at least 15 feet away from the launch pad. (2) Make sure the sky is clear of low flying aircraft. Wind conditions should be gentle. Be sure you have the attention of all individuals in the launching and recovery areas. (3) Arm your Launch Controller with the Safety Key. The arming light should go on. If arming light does not go on check battery power, electrical connections and igniter installation. Clean micro-clips with sand paper if necessary. (4) With rocket armed announce to the spectators in a loud voice, "the rocket is armed, and counting...5...4...3...2...1...Lift-Off!" (5) Push the launch button down momentarily until the rocket motor begins thrusting, then release it. The rocket should lift-off from the launch pad almost instantly. (6) **BE SURE AND REMOVE THE SAFETY KEY FROM THE LAUNCH CONTROLLER AS SOON AS THE ROCKET LIFTS-OFF. KEEP THE SAFETY KEY WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES.** (7) **REPLACE THE LAUNCH ROD SAFETY CAP IN BETWEEN LAUNCHINGS.**

RECOVERY PROCEDURE: (1) Track the flight of your rocket until the recovery system is deployed and the rocket is returning gently back to Earth. (2) If the rocket appears to be drifting away from the launch area keep your eyes on it until it touches down. (3) If the recovery system malfunctions be prepared to alert the spectators that the rocket is returning to Earth faster than normal and to be "heads-up" and aware of the area where the rocket is falling to.

MISFIRE PROCEDURE: (1) Occasionally, at the end of the countdown the rocket will fail to lift-off because the rocket motor did not ignite. This usually occurs because the igniter was not making the proper contact with the surface of the rocket motor's propellant. (2) Disarm the launch controller, wait one minute, then remove the model from the launch pad. (3) Remove the TigerTail sticker from the end of the motor casing, clean the micro-clips and install a new TigerTail Igniter. (4) Repeat the countdown procedure again. (5) **IF TIGERTAIL IGNITER TEARS APART, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REPAIR. REPLACE WITH A NEW TIGERTAIL IGNITER.**

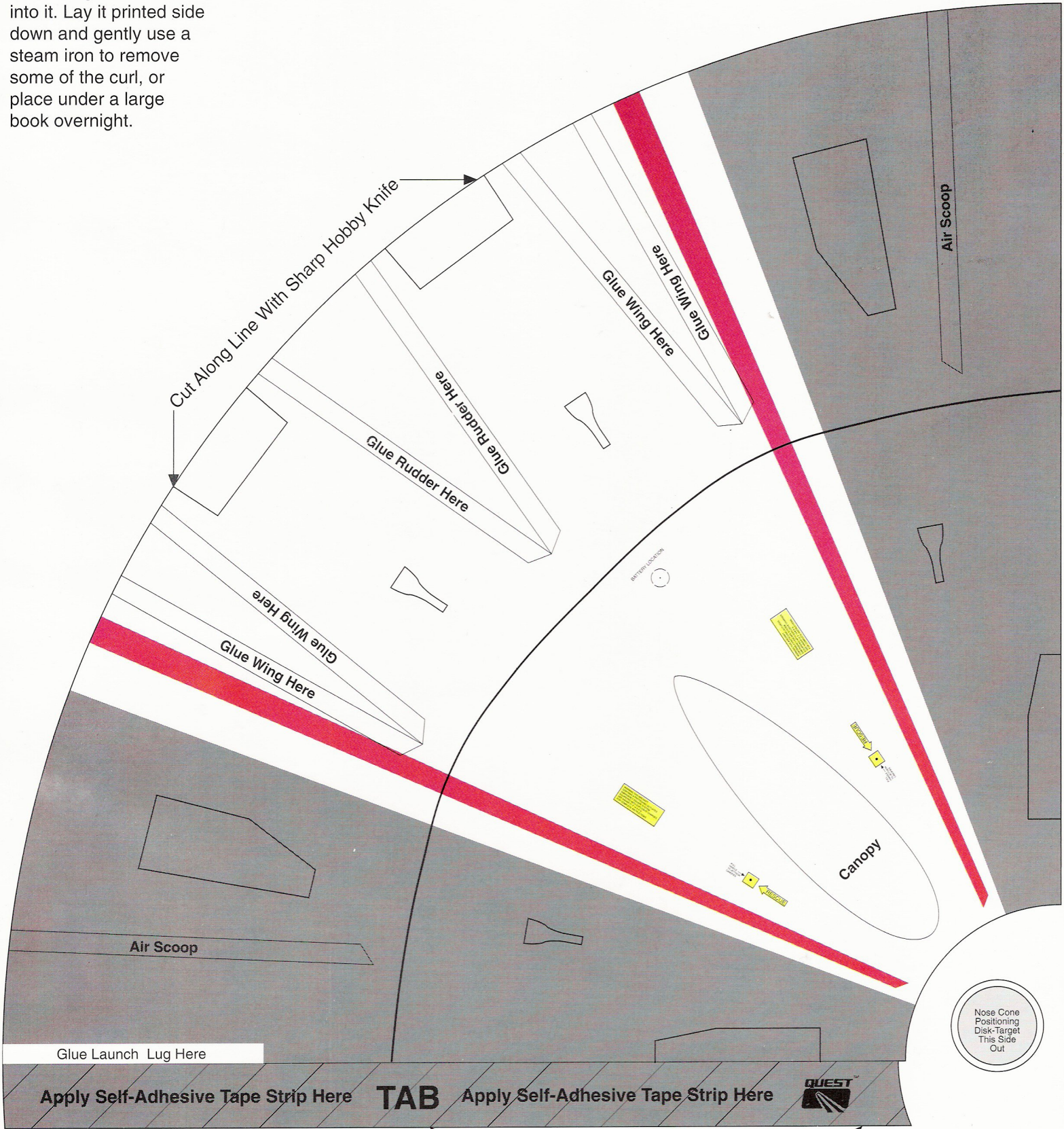
BATTERY TEST: If batteries are weak replace them. Battery strength can be tested by attaching both micro-clips together and inserting the Safety Key. The arming light should glow brightly. Batteries are weak if light is dim. **Be sure to use alkaline type batteries for best results.**

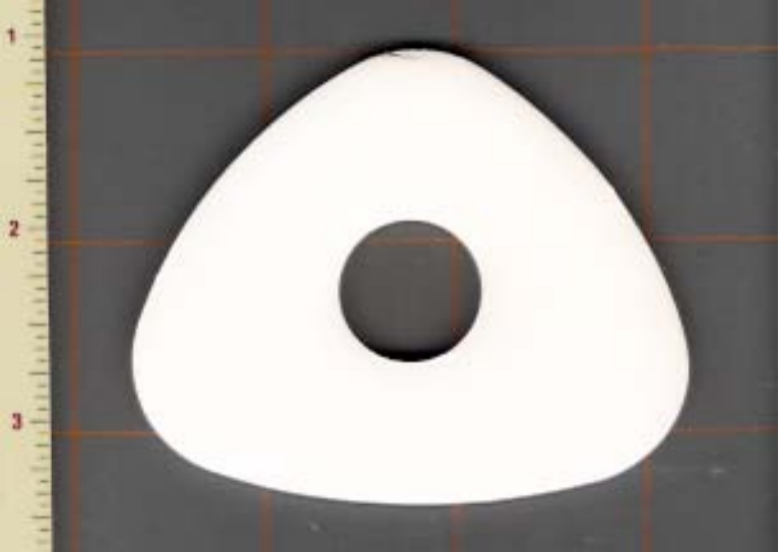


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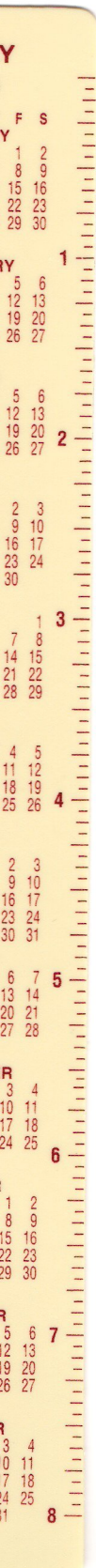
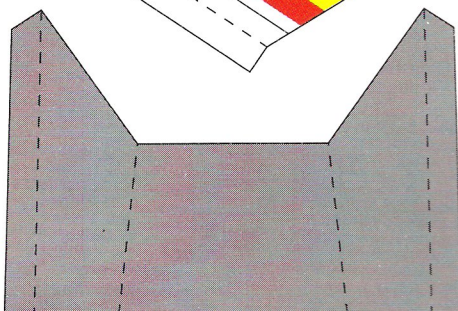
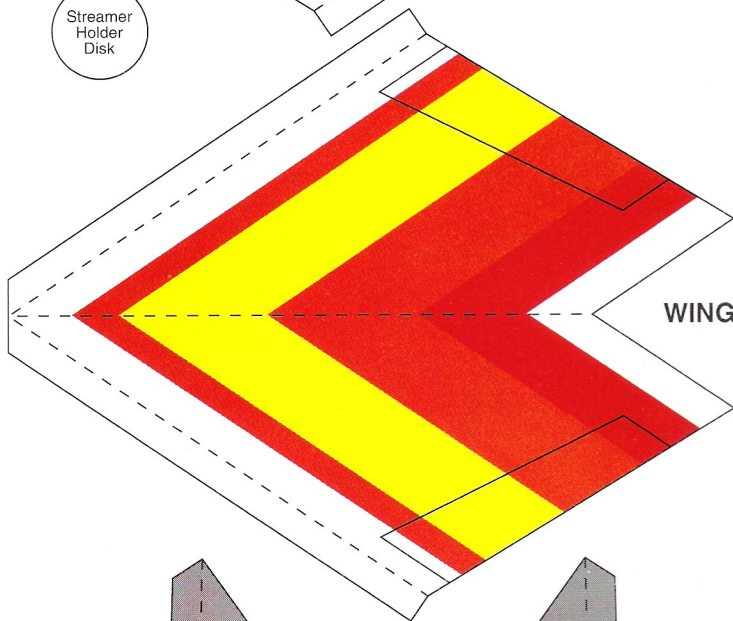
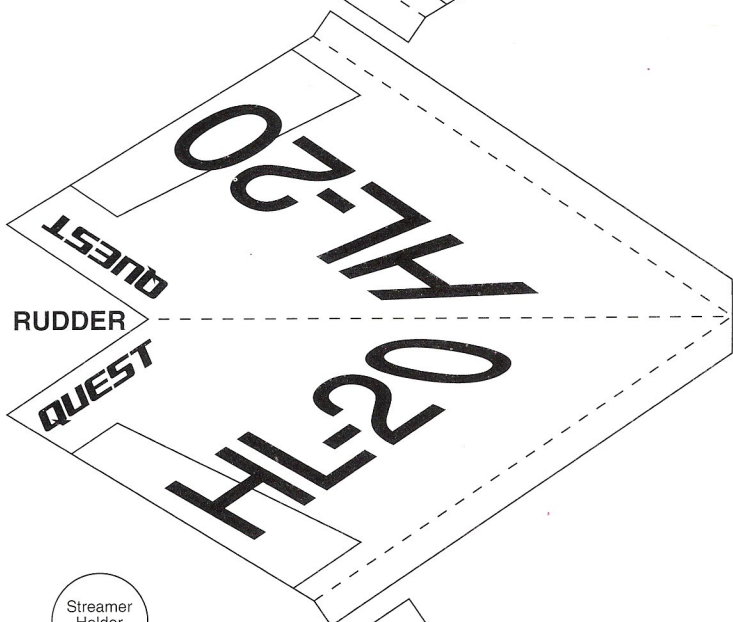
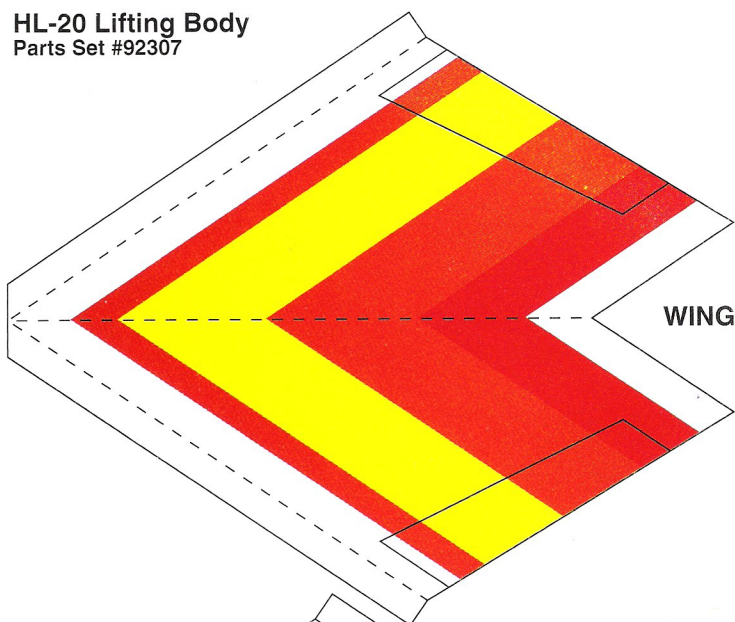
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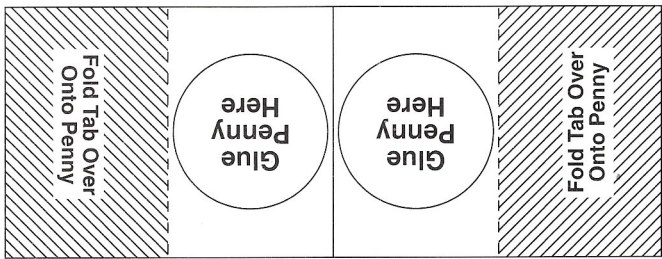
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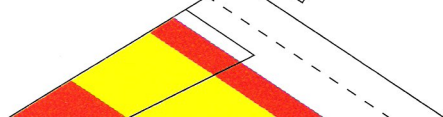
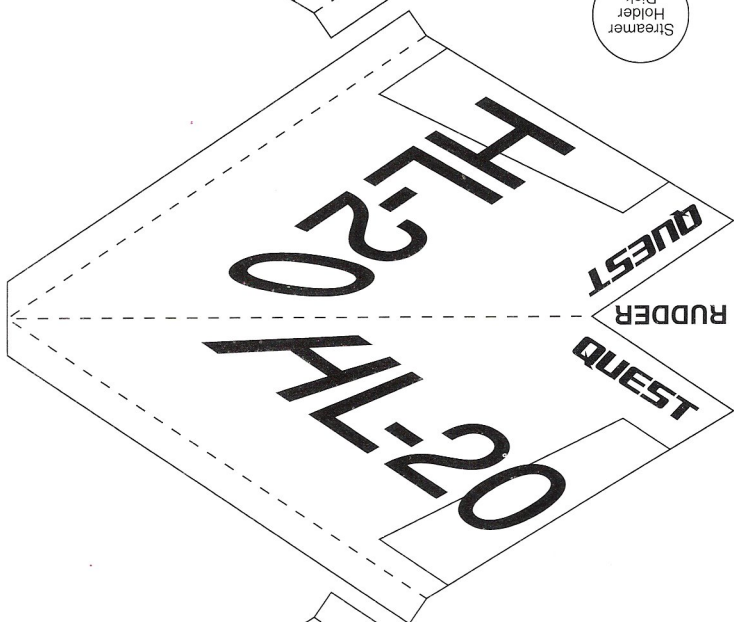
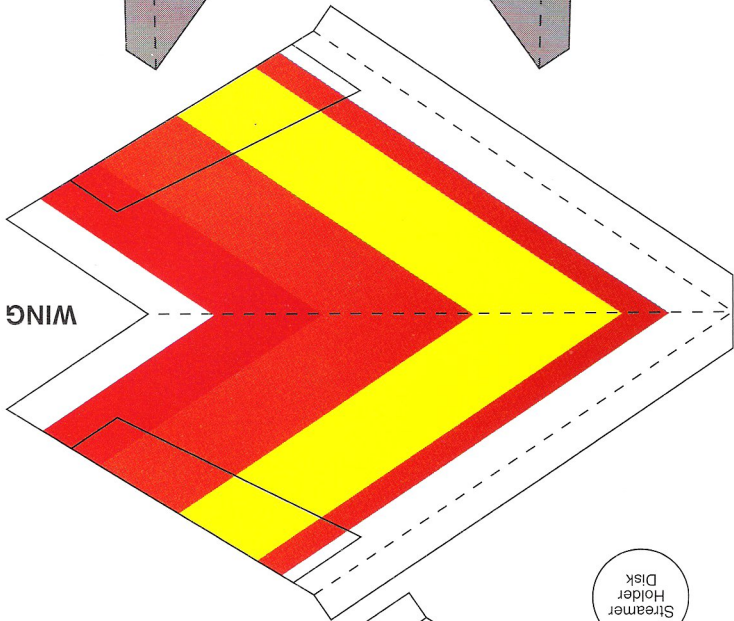
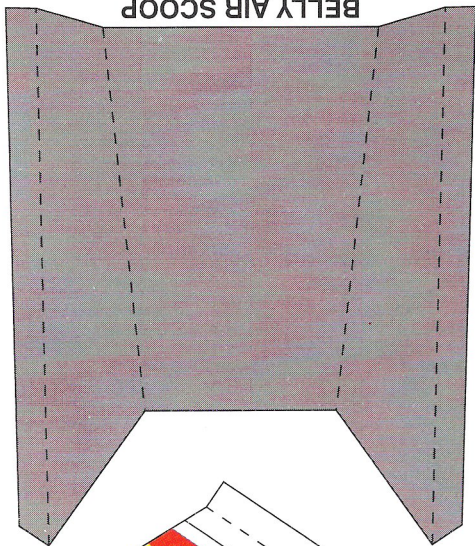


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