Operation Airdrop Pre-Assessment – Answer Key

Pre-Activity Assessment

- 1. You kick a soccer ball. How do you get the ball to move?
 - a. Friction
 - b. Speed
 - c. Force
 - d. Telekinesis

Rationale: A force is placed on the object, in this case the (soccer ball) which causes the soccer ball to move.

- 2. What force is used to sharpen your pencil?
 - a. Push
 - b. Pull

Rationale: When you are actively sharpening a pencil you are using a force that pushes two objects closer.

- 3. When you pop a balloon that has been filled with air or water what happens to the air or water inside of it?
 - a. It is pushed in
 - b. It is pulled out

Rationale: If you fill a balloon with air or water you are forcing the objects together, but when a balloon pops or breaks, the objects are now forced to move away or be pulled away from one another.

- 4. Which of the following are objects that do not fall to earth?
 - a. Airplanes and birds
 - b. Stars and planets
 - c. The sun

Rationale: Stars and planets are pulled by gravity, but do not fall to earth.

- 5. How much gravity an object has depends on?
 - a. Weight
 - b. Mass
 - c. Speed
 - d. Acceleration

Rationale: Mass is the quantity of matter in an object.



