Common Writing Assignment: Science

Which location is the safest place to build a new home?

Imagine that you are a geologist and you have been asked to decide the safest location to build a new home. Using what you have learned from your work with the stream tables in class, choose which location – A, B, C, or D – is the safest place to build a new home. Use evidence to support your claim and explain your reasoning.

Don’t Forget to…

Plan your writing using an outline, web or graphic organizer. As you write each draft of your assignment, it’s important to use what you know as a writer to communicate your ideas effectively.

✓ Provide a clear claim that answers the question.
✓ Include evidence -- using data from class activities, experiments and other resources.
✓ Include reasoning to show how your evidence supports your claim.
✓ Use vocabulary that you have learned in science class.
✓ Correct grammar, punctuation, and spelling errors.