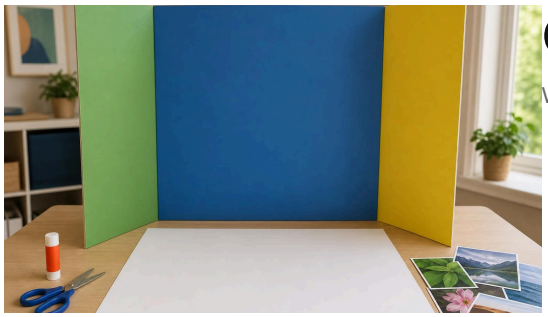


Crowded Display Panel

WORK HABITS · WHAT'S MISSING

Graham peels a wrinkled graph from the center panel of his science fair board. On normal days, he prints a section, trims the edges, and glues it down. That routine worked when every label matched the first draft. Today the results table is wider because the final vinegar trial changed two averages. The empty panel still has pencil tick marks from the old layout. If he follows the usual order, the caption may crowd the photo strip.

> **Identify the missing step in Graham's process.**

1. Trim the reprinted results table and caption to clean edges.
2. Glue the new results table and caption onto the center panel.
3. Check that the board still has room for the photo strip and materials list.

> **Answer:** Place the trimmed pieces on the panel without glue and check the spacing against the old tick marks. (goes after step 1)

Think about it: What would most likely go wrong if Graham glued the wider table before checking the layout?

TEACHER NOTE

The missing step is to place the trimmed pieces on the board without glue and check the spacing before attaching them. It belongs after trimming and before gluing because the revised table is wider than the usual layout. A strong response names a dry layout or spacing check, not just being careful.

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