Is It Developing and Using Models?



Below are listed things that students might do in a science class. Check off the things that are true about students developing and using models.

A		Create a simple sketch to illustrate how the shape of an object helps it function to solve a problem.
В		Choose the best drawing that describes how kinetic energy is converted to thermal energy.
С		Use a diagram to compare the needs of plants and animals and the places they live.
D		Develop a quantitative model to show how carbon moves through the earth's various systems.
Е		Observe sugar dissolving in water to provide evidence supporting a model that matter is made of particles too small to be seen.
F		Construct a diagram that describes how light reflecting from objects and entering the eye allows objects to be seen.
G		Examine a flow chart to understand that energy in animals' food was once energy from the sun
Н		Use the analogy of a city to understand the functions of a cell as a whole and ways part of cells contribute to the function.
I		Revise a drawing to describe how the total number of atoms does not change in a chemical reaction.
J		Use a globe and a light bulb to demonstrate that the earth's seasons are caused by the its tilted axis and orbit around the sun.
K		Compare 3D ball and stick structures of ammonia and methanol molecules.
L		Use the periodic table to predict the properties of elements.
M		Use a simulated "bee" to pollinate Wisconsin Fast Plants (<i>Brassica rapa</i>).
N		Use a chemical equation to illustrate how photosynthesis transforms light energy into stored chemical energy.
0		Use a "slinky" to simulate the amplitude and wavelength of waves.
P		Compare plant and animal life cycles in computer simulations to identify common events or phases
Q		Identify the limitations of a diagram describing the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment.
Why do you think the examples you chose are true about students developing and using models?		

 ${\it Go\ back\ and\ circle\ the\ examples\ of\ developing-and-using-models\ that\ are\ at\ your\ grade\ band.}$