

Science Challenge

Can a “Car Bomb” Excavate a Crater?

If a car bomb caused a sewer to **collapse**, it would create a **depression** in the street. Is it possible for a car bomb to **excavate** the dirt beneath the car?



On 14 Feb 2005 a car bomb in Beirut, Lebanon **excavates** a giant crater, and rips the face off nearby buildings!

An article about this is here:
EricHufschmid.net/TFC/Bollyn-Hariri-Feb2005.html



On 19 Sep 2008 a car bomb in Islamabad, Pakistan **excavates** a giant crater.

Or were they “Bunker Buster” bombs that were dropped from a high altitude and **penetrated the ground** before exploding?

And were all of these "car bombs" using **chemical** explosives? Can nuclear bombs be designed to be so small and clean that they fool people into thinking they are car bombs?



#12 Bombs

Another crater from a “car bomb”, this one in Iraq



The crater from the Khobar towers “truck bomb”.

High res photo on the web here: dod.mil/photos/Jun1996/960626-N-00000-004.jpg

