

**WHO:** Nicholas Bertka, student pilot  
Philip Lewis Griffith, CFI, CFII, MEI 2002190

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 23, 2021, at approximately 2:45PM

**WHERE:** Weltzien Skypark Airport (15G), RWY 21

**WHAT:** I did four take-offs and full-stop landings with Nicholas in a Cessna 152, N94400, on RWY 21. After his fourth landing, Nick asked me whether I would be comfortable getting out of the airplane. It was his first solo, and since he had done a good job with each of the first four, I said yes and got out of the plane. I stood near where the planes are tied down, about 1800ft from the approach end of the runway. He taxied down to the end of the runway and took off. It was a good take-off, then he came around the pattern nicely and set up a stable approach. Then upon landing, I don't know what happened but the plane appeared to be out of control. It appeared to me that he started applying right rudder, saw he over-controlled and pressed the left rudder, but that's just speculation from my view point since I was at the other end of the runway. Next thing I see is the plane's tail sticking up in the air, so I went down to the approach end of the runway to make sure Nick was not hurt, and he was not.

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