Science

| Key Knowledge |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Object or <br> material? | An object is made from a material, for <br> example, a spoon can be made from metal, <br> wood or plastic. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| What are different objects made from? |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

How can I describe different materials and their properties?


Materials with a purpose

Some materials are used because of their properties: stone for walls because it is strong; glass for windows because it is strong and seethrough; fabric is used for curtains because it is not see-through.

Natural or manmade? Some materials are found around our world, e.g. metal, oil, wood, wool. Others are created by humans, e.g. plastic, paper, glass.

## Investigate

How are objects different or similar based on the materials they are made from?
What is a good material to make an umbrella for teddy? What is a good material to make ramp for cars from? What is a good material to make curtains from?

| Key Vocabulary |  |
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| absorbent | Soaks up liquid easily. |
| bendy (flexible) | An object that bends easily into a curved shape |
| elastic | A rubber material that stretches when you pull it and returns to its original size and shape when you let it go |
| fabric | Cloth or other material produced by weaving together cotton, wool or other threads. |
| foil | Sheets of metal as thin as paper. |
| glass | A hard, transparent material. |
| hard | Does not scratch or dent easily. |
| man-made | Materials that are created by people |
| leather | A tough, flexible material, made from the skin of an animal. |
| metal | Substances such as iron, steel, gold, or lead. |
| natural | Materials that are found around our world, not made by humans |
| opaque | If a substance is opaque, you cannot see through it. |
| plastic | A material which is light in weight and does not break easily. |
| properties | The qualities or features that belong to something and make it recognisable. |
| rock | The hard substance from which the Earth is made. |
| rough | A surface that is uneven and not smooth. |
| shiny | A surface that is bright and reflects a lot of light. |
| smooth | A surface with no roughness, lumps, or holes. |
| soft | Not hard. Easily scratched or dented. |
| squashy | Loses its shape easily when pressed. |
| stiff (rigid) | A material that does not easily bend. |
| stretchy | slightly elastic |
| transparent | If an object is transparent, you can see through it. |
| waterproof | Does not let water pass through it. |
| wood | The material from the trunk and branches of trees. |

