Year One Everyday Materials



Key Learning

All objects are made of one or more materials. Some objects can be made from different materials e.g. plastic, metal or wooden spoons. Materials can be described by their properties e.g. shiny, stretchy, rough etc. Some materials e.g. plastic can be in different forms with very different properties.

Key vocabulary

Object, material, wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, rock, brick, paper, fabric, elastic, foil, card/cardboard, rubber, wool, clay, hard, soft, stretchy, stiff, bendy, floppy, waterproof, absorbent, breaks/tears, rough, smooth, shiny, dull, see-through, not see-through

Common misconceptions

- Some children may think:
- only fabrics are materials,
- only building materials are materials,
- only writing materials are materials,
- the word 'rock' describes an object rather than a material,
- 'solid' is another word for hard.