

Materials Knowledge Progression

		Key Vocabulary
Nursery		
Reception		
Y1	<p>Material means the 'stuff' that objects are made out of, such as wood, plastic, metal, glass, rubber, fabric.</p> <p>Every object is made out of at least one material. Some objects are made out of more than one material. We can identify the materials that objects are made out of by looking closely at their properties and thinking about the ways we can describe them.</p> <p>Properties of materials: Soft: easy to cut, fold or change the shape of Hard: Not easily broken or bent Stiff: Doesn't change shape easily Stretchy: Can be pulled to make it longer or wider without breaking Shiny: Reflects light easily Dull: Doesn't reflect light or look bright Rough: Feels and looks uneven and bumpy Smooth: no bumps or lumps can be seen or felt Waterproof: when it doesn't let water through or go soggy. Transparent: easy to see through Inflatable: can be filled with air</p> <p>Common materials and their properties include: Wood: Hard, strong, stiff Plastic: Strong, shiny, bendy, waterproof Glass: transparent, smooth, stiff, waterproof Metal: Hard, strong, shiny Rock: Hard, strong</p> <p>John Dunlop, born in Scotland in 1840, first had the idea for an inflatable rubber tyre when he saw his young son trying to ride his tricycle across the yard at their home in Ireland. The boy found it difficult to make the tricycle move quickly over the cobblestones on metal wheels. He made a tube out thin rubber sheets and filled it with air using a football pump. These new tyres were fitted to both the back wheels of his son's tricycle and as a result movement was both easier and smoother.</p>	<p>Properties: Different ways to describe different materials Liquid: Liquids can flow or be poured easily. Surface: An outside part or layer of something Object: A thing that can be seen and touched</p>
Y2	<p>Material means the 'stuff' that objects are made out of, such as wood, plastic, metal, glass, rubber, fabric.</p> <p>Different materials have different properties, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparent: a material you can see through • Opaque: a material you can't see through • Stable: when an object is not likely to overturn or fall down because it is firmly fixed -Flexible: when a material can be bent or pressed without breaking -Waterproof: when it doesn't let water through or go soggy 	<p>Transparent: a material you can see through Opaque: a material you can't see through Stable: when an object is not likely to overturn or fall down because it is firmly fixed Flexible: when a material can be bent or pressed without breaking Waterproof: when it doesn't let water through or go soggy</p> <p>Natural: a material found in nature Man-made: a material that does not occur naturally</p>

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Y3	<p>ROCKS <u>Comparing and grouping types of rock</u> There are three naturally occurring types of rock: igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary. Igneous rock has been formed from magma or lava. Examples are obsidian, granite and basalt. Metamorphic rock started out as igneous or sedimentary rock but changed due to being exposed to heat or pressure. Examples are marble, quartzite, slate. Sedimentary rock has been formed by layers of sediment being pressed down hard and sticking together. You can see the layers of sediment in the rock. Examples are chalk, sandstone, limestone, coal (Limestone quarry in Cadeby/Sprotbrough)</p> <p><u>Describing how fossils are formed</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An animal dies. It gets covered with sediment which eventually become rock 2. More layers of rock cover it. Only hard parts of the creature remain eg bones, shell, teeth 3. Over thousands of years, sediment might enter the mould to make a cast fossil. Bones may change to mineral but will stay the same shape 4. Changes in sea level take place over a long period 5. As erosion and weathering take place, eventually the fossil becomes exposed <p><u>Recognise soil is made from rocks and organic matter</u> Soil is the upper most layer of the Earth. It is a mixture of different things: Minerals (link to plants unit – the roots take the minerals from the soil to the plant) Air Water Organic matter (including living and dead plants and animals)</p>	<p>Igneous rock – rock formed from magma or lava Sedimentary rock – rock formed from layers of sediment being pressed together Metamorphic rock – started as igneous or sedimentary rock but changed due to being exposed to heat or pressure Sediment: natural solid material that is moved and dropped off in a new place by water or wind eg sand</p>
Y4	<p>There are three states of matter: solid, liquid and gas Particles in a solid are close together and cannot move. They only vibrate. Particles in a liquid are close together but can move around each other easily. Particles in a gas are spread out and can move around very quickly in all directions</p> <p>When water and other liquids reach a certain temperature, they change state into a solid or a gas. The temperatures that these changes happen at are called the boiling, melting or freezing point.</p> <p>Solid to Liquid If a solid is heated to its melting point, it melts and changes to a liquid. This is because the particles start to move faster and faster until they are able to move over and around each other.</p> <p>Liquid to Solid When freezing occurs, the particles in the liquid begin to slow down as they get colder and colder. They can then only move gently on the spot, giving them a solid structure.</p>	<p>Solid: These are materials that keep their shape unless a force is applied to them (link to Y3 forces) They can be hard, soft or even squashy. Solids take up the same amount of space no matter what has happened to them. Liquid: Liquids take the shape of their container. They can change shape but do not change the amount of space that they take up. They can flow or be poured. Gas: Gases can spread out to completely fill the container or room they are in. They don't have any fixed shape but they do have a mass Melt: When a solid changes to a liquid Freeze: When a liquid changes to a solid Evaporate: Turn a liquid into a gas Condense: Turn a gas into a liquid Water Vapour: This is water that takes the form of a gas. When water is boiled, it evaporates into water vapour</p>

	<p>Evaporation Evaporation occurs when water turns into water vapour. This happens very quickly when the water is hot, like in a kettle, but it can also happen slowly, like a puddle evaporating in the warm air.</p> <p>Condensation Condensation occurs when water vapour is cooled down and turns into water. You can see this when droplets of water form on a window. The water vapour in the air cools when it touches the cold surface</p>	
Y5	<p>Children will know the different properties of materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electrical conductivity • thermal conductivity • insulators (thermal) • flexibility • hardness • magnetism • solubility – insoluble/soluble • permeability • transparency (opaque, translucent, transparent) <p>And that materials are used for certain jobs because of these properties.</p> <p>There are 3 main states of matter; solids, liquids and gases. Know that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid melts • Liquid freezes • Gas condenses • Liquid evaporates <p>Know that there are reversible and irreversible changes. Reversible – such as mixing and dissolving solids and liquids – can be reversed using</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sieving • Filtering • Evaporating <p>Irreversible changes often lead to new materials being made (reactants)</p> <p>Soluble materials dissolve forming a solution. A suspension is when materials do not dissolve. Know the different processes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melting • Freezing • Dissolving • Evaporating • Condensing • Filtering • Sieving • Mixing <p>Know that these processes can be used in order to separate some materials from others.</p>	<p>Reversible – such as mixing and dissolving solids and liquids – can be reversed using</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sieving • Filtering • Evaporating <p>Irreversible - changes often lead to new materials being made (reactants) Soluble Suspension</p>
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