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WORK SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

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THIS PORTFOLIO: YEAR 2 SCIENCE

This portfolio provides the following student work samples:

- Sample 1 Investigation: How to make water clean
- Sample 2 Design task: Materials swap
- Sample 3 Investigation: Pushing cars
- Sample 4 Investigation: Water at home and at school
- Sample 5 Worksheet: Life stages
- Sample 6 Worksheet: Science in daily life
- Sample 7 Investigation: Rocky road
- Sample 8 Worksheet: Classifying mixtures

In this portfolio the student describes changes to the position of objects as a result of applying a push (WS3) and changes to living things, particularly growth and changes in behaviour (WS5). The student considers water as a resource and identifies its uses in daily life (WS4). The student investigates the properties and uses of a variety of materials and mixtures (WS2, WS7, WS8) and considers the best mix of materials to construct an object for a particular purpose (WS2, WS7). The student links science practices to activities in daily life, such as food production (WS7).

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The student demonstrates the ability to predict outcomes of investigations (WS1, WS3) and uses informal measurements (for example, 'clear', 'biggest', 'harder') when recording and comparing observations (WS1, WS3, WS7). The student conduct investigations (WS1, WS3, WS4, WS7), follows teacher instructions to record and represent observations (WS1, WS2, WS3, WS4, WS5, WS6, WS7) and communicates ideas to others using drawing, written text and labelled diagrams (WS1, WS2, WS3, WS4, WS5, WS6, WS7).

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Investigation: How to make water clean

Year 2 Science achievement standard

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Students pose questions about their experiences and predict outcomes of investigations. They use informal measurements to make and compare observations. They follow instructions to record and represent their observations and communicate their ideas to others.

Summary of task

Students had engaged in class discussions about the use and cleanliness of water as part of a focus on sustainable use of resources. They had been explicitly taught how to construct a procedural text.

The students were shown a range of materials that could be used to filter dirty water. They chose between filter paper, cotton wool and gauze to construct their filter, then designed an experiment to investigate whether they were able to filter the water successfully. Students were provided with a template to help them construct their investigation report, and the teacher took photos of their procedure to help them construct the steps of the investigation.

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Investigation: How to make water clean

Annotations

Title:

I was making muddy water
clear.

Materials:

- glass
- Sand small amount
- flower pot
- filter paper
- Jug
- 5 leaves
- muddy water
- pepels
- soil
- dirt

My prediction (hypothesis):

I think that the water will get cleaned because it will go through the damer. And it will get clean.

Uses some informal measurements to construct the investigation.

Makes a prediction about the effect of the filter.

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Annotations

Records some steps to investigate the effect of the filter.

Steps:

Step 1. put the flower pot on the filter paper and trace around it, at the bottem.

Step 2. cut around it

Step 3. put the filter paper at the bottem of the flower pot.

Step 4. pour the sand into the flower pot.

Step 5 then make a layer of gravel.

Step 6. get the dirt grass, and leaves, soil,

Step 7.

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Investigation: How to make water clean

Results:

When we were going to get a jug I and a few others didn't get any. So I had to share with. She went first when she did hers worked really well but some went well. Then it my turn and I was like it was really good and clear.

Conclusion:

my experiment worked well and I guessed correctly.

Annotations

Records observations of the investigation process, including an informal measurement of the quality of the filtered water.

Compares observations with predictions.

Annotations (Overview)

The student communicates ideas, investigation steps and observations through written text.

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Design task: Materials swap

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Summary of task

Prior to undertaking this task, students participated in a materials treasure hunt around their classroom. They were asked to find all of the places where certain materials were used and provide an explanation for their use. For example, glass can be found in windows and doors because it is clear, which means we can see through it.

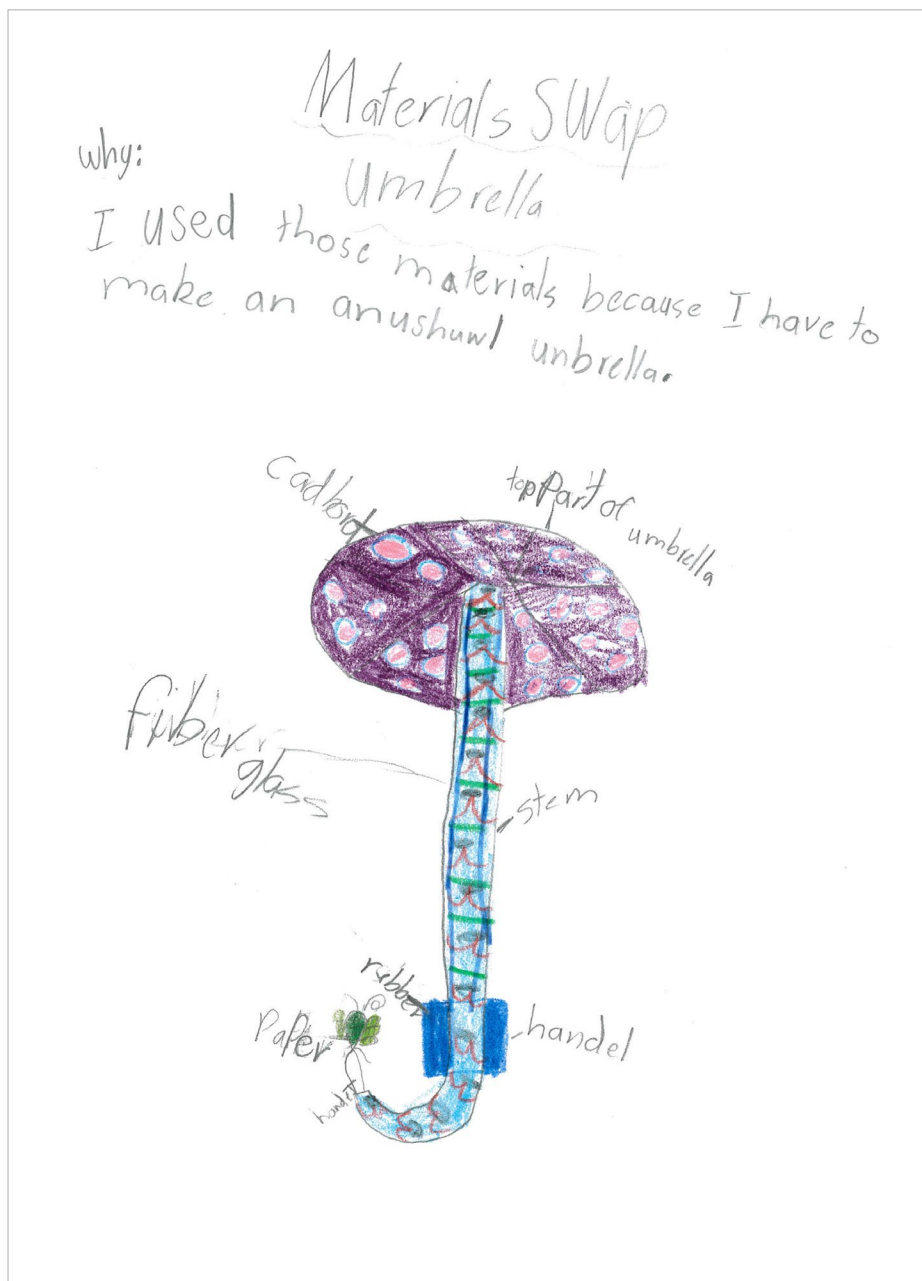
For the task itself, students focused on the materials in an umbrella. They were asked to identify the materials and consider why different materials were used. Students then completed a 'materials swap' in order to improve the umbrella. They were asked to draw their umbrella and explain which materials they had replaced and why.

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Design task: Materials swap



Annotations

Identifies that the object is made up of different materials.

Identifies alternative materials for parts of the umbrella, some of which are suitable.

Annotations (Overview)

The student communicates ideas through text and an annotated diagram.

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Investigation: Pushing cars

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Summary of task

Prior to undertaking this task, students explored all the ways they could change the shape of objects, or the ways they could change how objects moved. They observed students on play equipment and discussed how different strengths of pushes and pulls were involved in changing movement.

Students were asked to investigate the effect of different-sized pushes on the movement of a toy car. They were given an investigation worksheet to complete, but were required to develop their own means of describing and comparing their results. Students worked in small groups to complete the investigation and then developed their reports independently.

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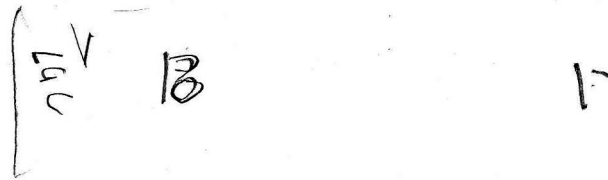
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Investigation: Pushing cars

Pushing Cars
Investigation

I predict that a Big push will make the car go fast than a small push.

What happened?



What happened?

My Big Push went only to the white line. My smaller push was way to my Big Push.

Did my observations match my predictions?

Annotations

Makes a prediction that links the size of the push to the speed at which the car will travel.

Uses informal measurements to make observations.

Constructs a representation to share observations.

Describes observations and identifies that a different strength of push resulted in a different distance travelled.

Annotations (Overview)

The student communicates ideas and observations through written text and an annotated diagram.

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Investigation: Water at home and at school

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Summary of task

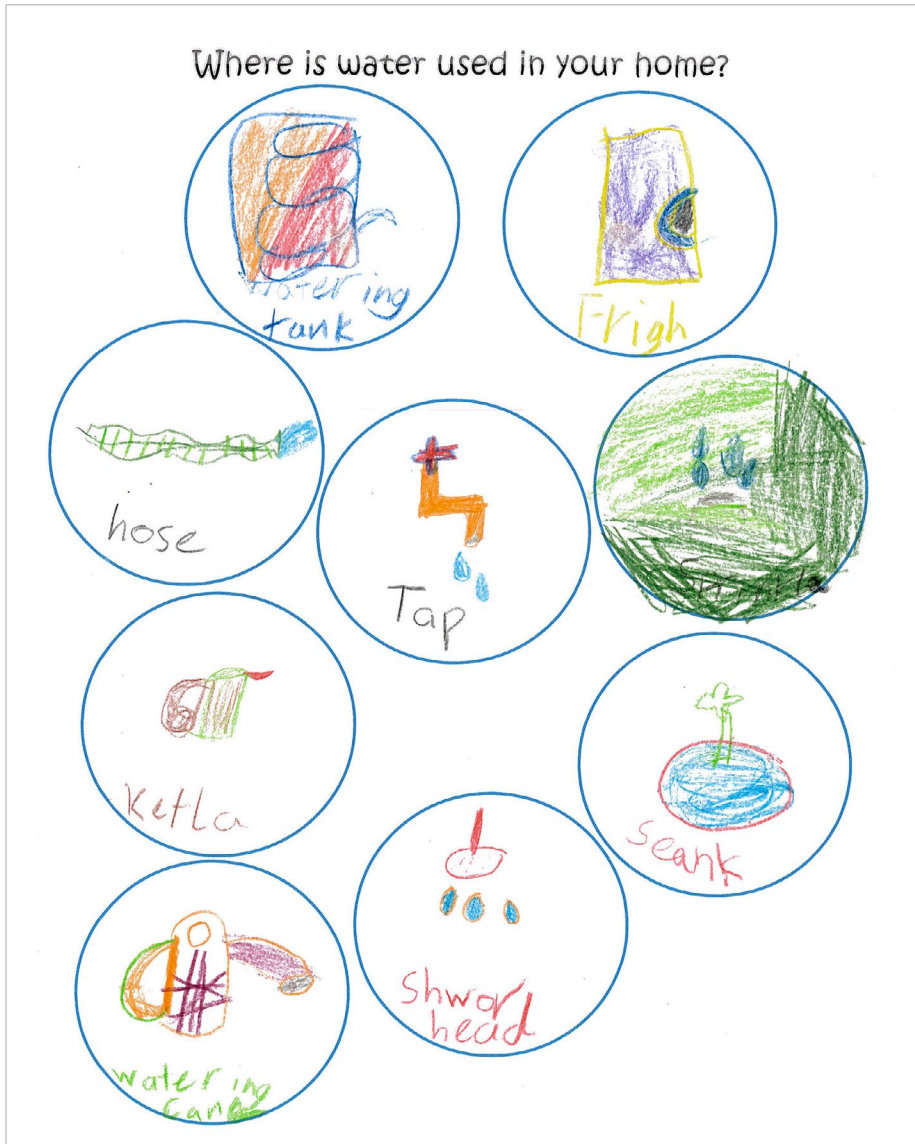
Prior to undertaking this task, students had engaged in a class discussion about where water was used at school and for what purposes. They recorded and shared their ideas as a class, grouping ideas under the headings of 'Where does water come from?', 'What is water used for?', 'Who or what uses water?' and 'What does it mean to use water responsibly?' Students then walked around the school to confirm or modify their ideas.

Students were asked to complete a homework task to identify the uses of water at home. They then spent time in class to organise their ideas about water use at home and at school in a graphic organiser. Students spent approximately two hours on the combined elements of the task.

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Investigation: Water at home and at school



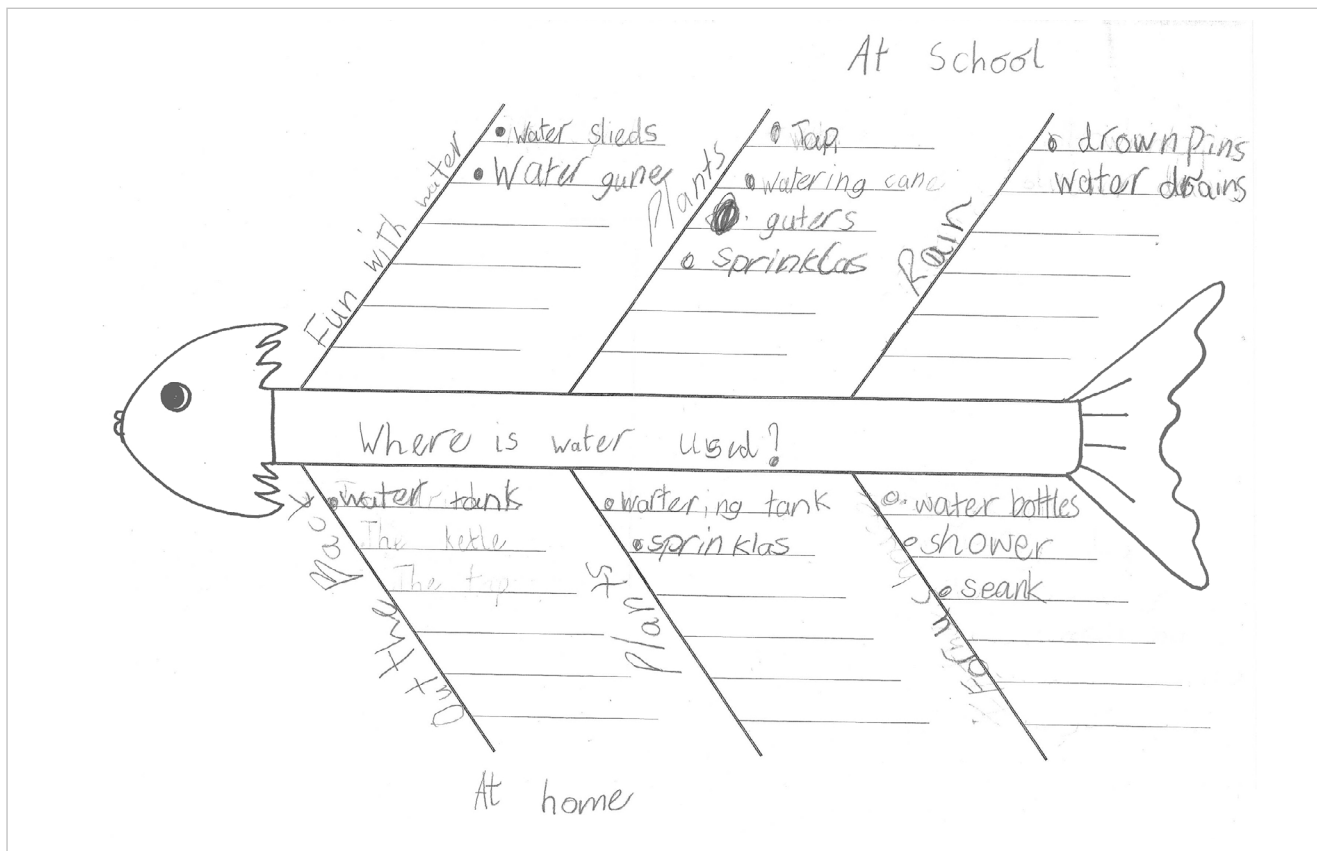
Annotations

Identifies examples of places in the home where water is found.

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Investigation: Water at home and at school



Annotations

Sorts and records observations in provided graphic organiser.

Identifies some examples of where water is found at home and at school, and some uses of water.

Annotations (Overview)

The student communicates ideas through annotated drawings and written text.

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Worksheet: Life stages

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Summary of task

Students had watched some videos, read some books and observed some germinating plants to explore the ways in which living things grow and develop. They had discussed examples of living things, characteristics of their life stages and the language associated with those stages.

Students were given the worksheet following a review of their learning in the unit. The teacher guided students through the instructions and they then completed the task independently over an hour.

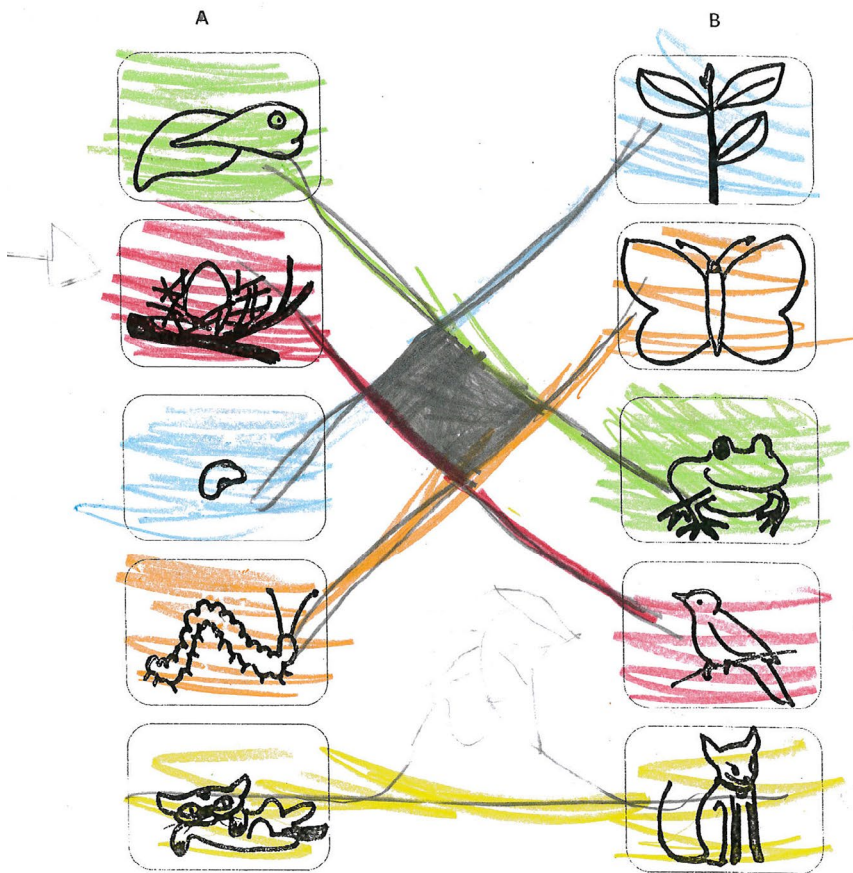
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Worksheet: Life stages

Life stages

Draw lines to match the life stages of these living things:



Choose one picture from column A and explain how it turns into the picture in column B.

I love catpits because they
turn into butterflies. And they are
Pitties.

Annotations

Links the life stages of a variety of living things.

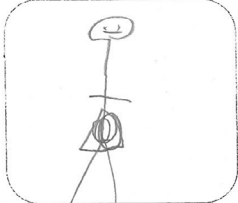
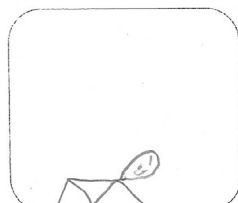
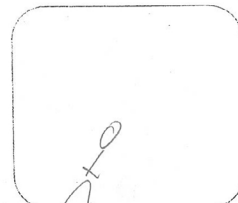

Describes the relationship between the provided life stages of a butterfly.

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Worksheet: Life stages

What are the life stages of a human being? Draw and label your life stages

	I am in time
	I am born!
	I can walk.
	I can walk I can go to school I can talk I can do everything.

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Identifies birth as a key stage in human development.

Identifies a physical change and some personal activities associated with a life stage.

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Worksheet: Science in daily life

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Summary of task

As part of their science investigations, students had discussed examples of where science is used in daily life, including identifying instances in shared reading.

Students were given a task sheet and a pile of magazines. The teacher read through the instructions on the task sheet with the class and reminded them of safety rules for using scissors. Students then completed the task independently over one hour. Following completion of the table, students were asked to write a sentence at the bottom of the sheet answering the question, "What do scientists do?"

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Worksheet: Science in daily life

Where is the science in my daily life?

- a) Cut out or draw five pictures to show how we use science in our daily life.
b) Write an explanation next to each of your pictures.

1.	 nail polish	They investigate
2.		They investigate wot time
3.	 bag	
4.		food
5.		

Annotations

Selects some everyday objects to indicate where people use science in everyday life.

Identifies that science involves investigation.

Completes a provided table to record ideas.

Annotations (Overview)

The student communicates ideas through selected images and written text.

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Investigation: Rocky road

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Summary of task

Students had investigated mixing and separating a variety of substances using different methods. They had discussed ways in which mixing substances is part of everyday life.

Students were provided with a range of potential ingredients for rocky road. They observed each ingredient and predicted what it would do when added to the rocky road mixture. They followed instructions to make a basic rocky road recipe and also made a recipe using their own choice of ingredients. They observed the end results and compared their own and others' recipes. They reflected on their predictions and communicated their findings.

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Investigation: Rocky road

ROCKY ROAD

Choose 2 extra ingredients to add to the basic recipe.

	PICTURE	INGREDIENTS	DESCRIPTION	PREDICTION
Basic Recipe		Chocolate	Brown, runny, gooey, hot	Will set and hold mixture together
		Marshmallows	Squishy, pink, soft, white, round, sweet	
1. Draw pictures in a cup or on a spoon 2. Choose 2 to add to the basic recipe		Corn Flakes	hard brown breakable	crunchy flat soggy
		Smarties	little round different colours	will taste nice
		Sultanas	circle black brown squishy	sticky lots of flavor
		Rice Bubbles	round small hard white light	change colour blend in
		Coconut	sticks hard white little	looks like little biscuits
		Icing Sugar	sweet white thin gas flat	won't see it little sweet
		Water	what is clear wavey cold	soggy
		Cheese	yellow soft bitter + salty	tasty gooey harder different colors

I'm going to add smarties and icing sugar
because I want my Rocky Road to be nice taste.

Annotations

Observes and records observations of each ingredient.

Predicts how different ingredients will affect the properties (texture, taste and colour) of the mixture.

Selects ingredients and predicts how they will affect the properties (taste) of the mixture.




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Investigation: Rocky road

ROCKY ROAD

Draw and label a cross-section of:

The basic recipe	Your recipe	A different recipe combination
		

How are the mixtures different?

we don't have as much mashieles.

They smell different.

It taste different with icing sugar.

I was a chef when I

mixing and putting stuff in.

I was a scientist when I

describe the food.

Annotations

Represents observations using diagrams with some labels.

Compares mixtures using informal measurements.

Identifies that science involves observation (description) and links this to food production.

Annotations (Overview)

The student completes a template to record observations and communicate ideas using written text, drawing and diagrams.

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Worksheet: Classifying mixtures

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Summary of task

Students were provided with images of a range of mixtures they might find around their home. The class discussed what familiar mixture each image represented. Students were then required to sort the mixtures into two groups and to explain their classification, and to draw and label a familiar mixture and describe its use.

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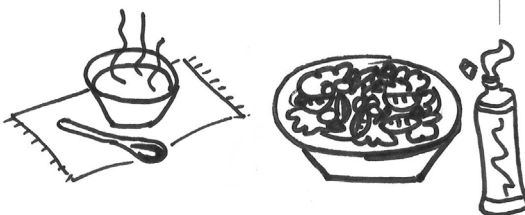
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Worksheet: Classifying mixtures

Group 1

I put these together because ...

they are hot



Group 2

I put these together because ...

they are cold



Draw and label a mixture of your own.



This mixture is used for eating

hot porridge

Annotations

Groups mixtures based on a property of the mixture.

Identifies a familiar mixture (porridge) and describes a use for that mixture.

Annotations (Overview)

The student completes a template to communicate ideas using written text and drawing.