

John Emmerson Batty Primary School Knowledge Mat



Year 1: Materials

Subj	ect Specific Vocabulary	Memorable Image	Exciting Books
waterproof	Does not allow water to pass through.	glass fabric metal ceramics plastic	
absorbent	Unable to soak up liquids easily.		The Three Little Pigs Waterials Nick Sharratt Stephen Tucker
opaque	Unable to see through.		
transparent	A material you can see through.		
flexible	Can bend easily without breaking.	Sticky Assessment Knowledge	
magnetic	Material which is capable of being attracted by a magnet	☐ I can name and identify different materials.	Useful Websites
properties	A thing or things belonging to an object, e.g. the properties of wood are that it is hard and rough.	☐ I can tell the difference between an object and the materials it is made from.	Materials song https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xOKr462HLc0 BBC Bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrssgk7 Top Marks testing materials http://flash.topmarks.co.uk/4002
rough	To have an uneven or irregular surface.		
smooth	To have an even and regular surface; free from perceptible projections, lumps, or indentations.	☐ I can describe the properties of different materials.	
dull	Not shiny.		
shiny	A material reflecting light.	☐ I can identify which materials have certain properties	Misconceptions and Facts
hard	Solid, firm and rigid. Not easily bent or broken.	☐ I can say which materials are magnetic	 Materials are just fabric Confusion is the distinction between the properties of materials and the objects they are made into. That absorbent materials such as paper towels are waterproof – confusing absorbent (soaks water up) with waterproof (keeps water out).
soft	A material that is easy to mould, cut, or fold. It is not hard or firm.	☐ I know the difference between absorbent and waterproof	
rigid	A material you are unable to bend or be forced out of shape		