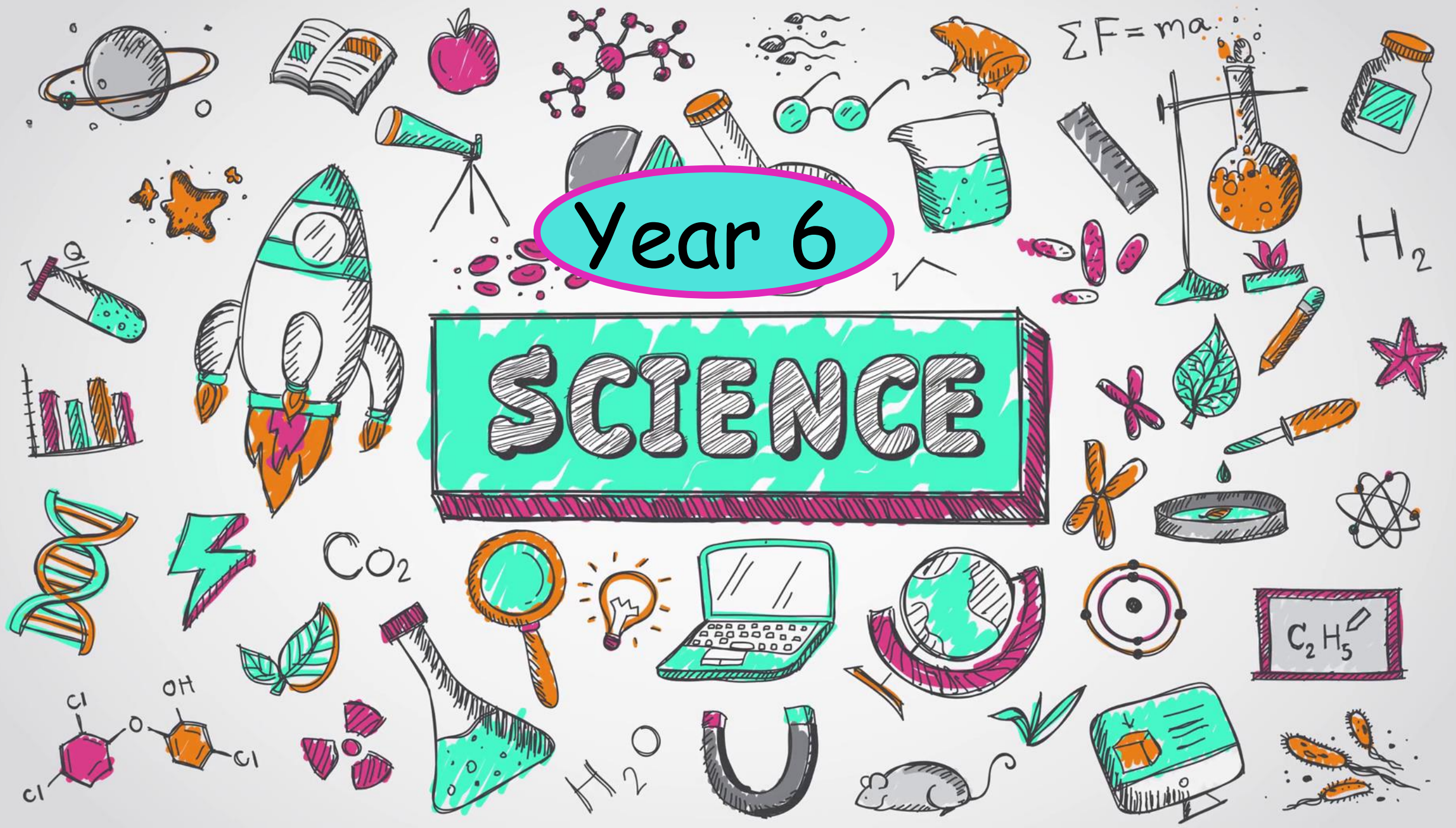


Year 6

SCIENCE



- Opportunities for Maths

- Recording measurements from observations.
- Creating graphs that show the data they have collected from investigations, enquiries or observations.
- Within each topic there is a short explanation about how you can use Maths in your lessons.

- Opportunities for English

- What I know, what to know and know now grids.
- Writing hypothesis and predictions.
- Oral/ written evaluations of experiments.

Recording information in books

There are KS2 example sheets to use when conducting an observation they will print in an A3 size so you can create a class version before the children write on their own sheet. This will be useful the first few times the children see these sheets.

Our aim is to hopefully get the children to know the process of these sheets well enough for them to create their own graphs, tables, plans and predictions etc.

Including cross-curricular links is essential in Science and it is important that any investigations/observations are recorded in the children's books. After an 'activity lesson' we should be asking the children a question about what they have learnt so they can make predictions using the knowledge they have gained from that lesson.

When children are recording their findings they should be doing so using their mathematical knowledge to record and present their data in tables, graphs and charts.

Marking should be light touch with Reasoning questions after 'activity lessons', these can be printed for ease.

How we assess.

Assessing Knowledge of a subject.

The easiest part of our summative assessment would be the “What I know, questions I have and what I’ve learnt” grid. Children will fill in the things they have learnt at the end of a half-term. However, this isn’t going to be enough information to build a picture of a whole unit of work’s progression. Which is why we use the deeper learning questions after an ‘active lesson’ to ask questions that make the children explain their thinking and their knowledge. Teachers should use a broad range of assessment approaches, for example:

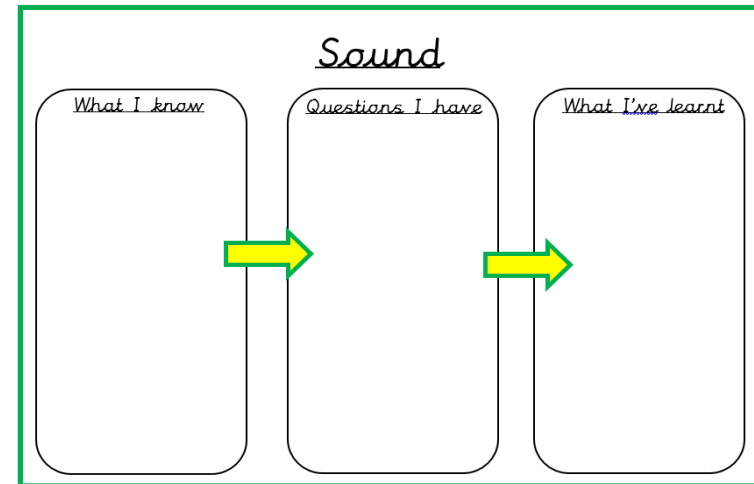
effective questioning;

KWL grids

teacher observation;

peer and self-assessment;

Deeper learning questions.



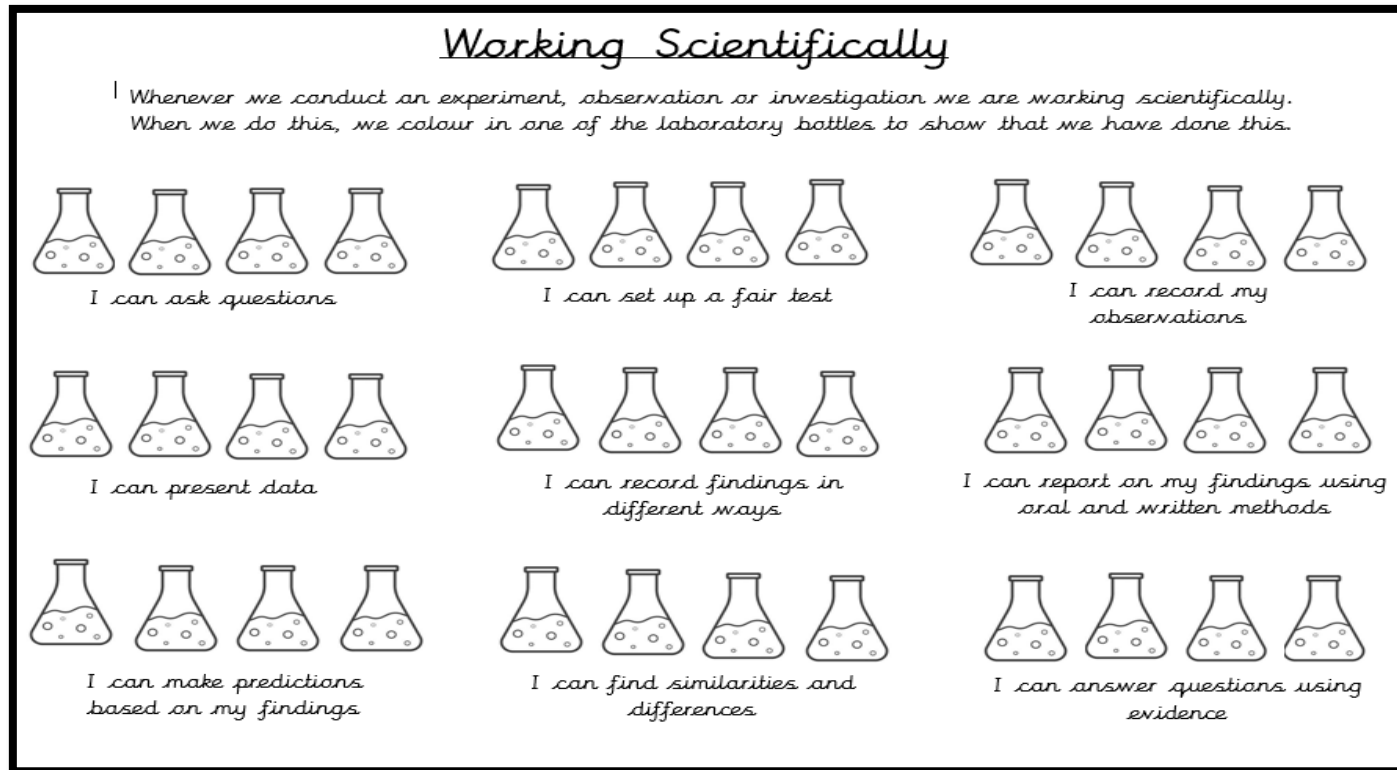
KWL grid used at the start of each topic in Science across the school.

At the end of the year teachers will moderate 2 HA, 2 MA and 2 LA children’s books to check their assessment of the children is similar.

Assessing Working Scientifically.

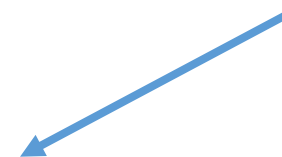
With the new scheme all children will be taking part in different experiments, investigations and observations. These are designed to meet the Working Scientifically objectives throughout the year, as well as providing the children with a range of experiences in the science curriculum.

Within each lesson there is a lesson objective as well as at least one objective in Working Scientifically. The children will have a sheet at the back of their science books that they can record how often they fulfil a WS objective. At the end of the year teachers can easily identify how well the children have met the WS objectives.



For children in KS2

The children will be directed to colour in a lab bottle each time they have worked scientifically in a lesson.



Working Scientifically

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Living things and their Habitats

- describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals
- give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

Equipment needed

Bags

Cameras

Magnifying glasses

World map

Internet access

Useful websites

<https://ed.ted.com/on/90vRVJZ6>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living_things/variation/play/popup.shtml

<http://listverse.com/2016/02/12/10-recently-discovered-animals-with-amazing-features/>

<https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/zooniverse/snapshot-serengeti>

Working Scientifically objective

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How we can work scientifically

Identify similarities and differences between living things in order to determine their classification.
Use classification keys to sort living things according to observable characteristics.
Children will then go out into the EYFS woods and collect, record, classify and name some of the leaves they find. They will then Sketch a tree and its corresponding leaf in the style of a botanical illustration.

Write scientific descriptions of unusual living things from around the world. Classify unusual living things using their descriptions and online research.

Design, describe and name a new creature that characteristically sits within the Animalia classification.
Sort 'new' creatures within the Animalia taxonomy.
Sketch a detailed creature based on known characteristics and imagination.

Animals including humans

- identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function
- describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.

Equipment needed

Clay and sculpting tools

Stopwatches

Jars or glasses

Elastic bands

Food colouring

Paper towels

Useful websites

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/zqv4cwx>

<https://www.bbc.com/teach/class-clips-video/art-and-design-ks1-ks2-using-different-painting-techniques-for-effect/z7h76v4>

<https://kitchenpantryscientist.com/diffusion-and-osmosis-experiments/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/1yV5MBkc2Y6pQSWyMgR21y2/what-should-i-be-eating-drinking>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dyvfSmB0YQQ>

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Evolution and inheritance

- recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
- recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents
- identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.

Equipment needed

Jelly – order through the office Tesco order

glasses

Small objects

Mr men and little miss lesson (on server)

Useful websites

<https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/dc02.sci.life.evo.dar/evolving-ideas-who-was-charles-darwin/>

<http://www.sciencemadesimple.co.uk/curriculum-blogs/biology-blogs/animal-adaptations>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zvhhvcw>

<http://www.planet-science.com/categories/under-11s/games/2010/09/mission-adaptation.aspx>

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Electricity

- associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit
- compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches
- use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

Equipment needed

Light bulbs

batteries

wires

Buzzers

Motors

switches

Useful websites

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Get the children to experiment with the electrical equipment and draw how they made their circuit work. Get them to explain why it worked when everything was linked together with wires, and why it didn't work when there was a break in the circuit.

Look at how to make a basic circuit. Is there a relation to the strength of a battery and the strength of a lightbulb? Get the children to design their own experiment to see if the stronger the voltage the brighter the light bulb. Get them to think about how they can record this and what variables they will use.
Get the children to draw their experiment using the recognized symbols.

Get the children to conduct a similar experiment with buzzers. Ask them to make predictions based on the last experiment. Get the children to design their own experiment to see if the stronger the voltage the brighter the louder the noise. Get them to think about how they can record this and what variables they will use.
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Light

- recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye
- explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

Equipment needed

CCTV based diagram including measurements

maths needed to solve the problem

Shiny metal

Mirrors

Torches

Sticky-notes

Rulers

Light meter

Retro reflectors (all flat)

Shiny coloured Perspex

Useful websites

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/zyntsbk>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/zf9c87h>

<http://www.makingyourown.co.uk/make-your-own-periscope-kaleidoscope.html>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/zqdx82>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/ztcg9j6>

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How we can work scientifically

A thief was spotted on CCTV 'casing' the school, using a torch. Can you demonstrate that light travels in straight lines and calculate plausible heights of the suspect based on their torch beam?

- Demonstrate that light travels in straight lines
- Understand why a light source is needed to see
- Suggest viable angles based on sight
- Convert feet and inches to cm

We know that the thief could see round corners, and likely used a periscope. All suspects have one, but are they using materials that reflect well enough to see? Can you investigate and eliminate another suspect? Children need to work in groups or partners to create the different periscopes using the different materials and see which one is the best – record this in their books using the graphs/tables.

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How we can work scientifically

Children will need the sheet on the server to draw their findings. They will need a book, a piece of paper, a torch and a ruler. They will shine the torch on the book and cast a shadow on the piece of paper. Can they change the shape and size of the shadow?
Then, they need to follow the steps on their sheet to create shadows based on a room design.

Ask the children to think of situations / times when they cannot see anything (when it's dark and when we close our eyes)
Ask the children why they think we cannot see in these situations i.e. what is missing?
Whole class investigation – Explain how light is reflected into our eyes and that's how we see. Use a picture of an eye around the classroom and turn the lights off. Get the children to take it in turns reflecting the light of a torch into the eye pictures.
Children given the steps in the process of how we see things in a jumbled up order; they need to cut them out and stick them in the correct order

Get the children to create their own shadow puppets. Look at the shadows that they can create with them. Talk about why shadows have the same shape as the object that creates them. Then, get the children to record and measure using a scatter graph to show a correlation to how much light is blocked by the puppet and the size of the shadow.
Reasoning question to stick in books should be linked to this such as “Why was the shadow bigger when the object was closer to the light source?”