

What Can You Learn From an Object?

Science involves a lot of observation and recording of information. Whether it's a chemical reaction, weather phenomenon or living thing, careful study is needed to understand and explain it. A proper description comes from this kind of deep study.

Know before you begin

- · This activity can be done inside or outside
- · All supplies are easy to find, substitute or leave out entirely
- · Adult supervision is recommended
- Please choose a safe space to play

Materials

· Your choice! Just be sure it's something you can safely hold and handle.

Instructions

1. First, examine your object of choice. What do you notice first?

For example:

Is it heavy or light, large or small, light or dark?

Is it long or short, thin or wide, bright or dull?

Is it one color or many, rough or smooth, soft or hard?

- 2. Write down your description; try to be as clear and concise as possible.
- 3. Explain your description to someone else, see if they can identify the object from your words alone.

