

Plenary Talk Placemat

Today I have learnt
that

**Be a reflective
learner.**

The skills I used in
today's lesson
were...
I could also use
these skills in....

I would like to find
out more
information about....

**Discuss with a partner
before you share it
with the class.**

One thing I need to
remember from
today's lesson is...

Before this lesson I
could already...

Three key words I have
learned today are...

I was successful
today when I...

Plenary - complete one of the sentences below

I was successful
when I

A question I have
about today's
lesson is

Today I learnt
.....

The part of the
lesson I enjoyed
the most was.....

The skills I used in
today's lesson
were.....

One thing I need to
remember from
today's lesson
is.....

Success Criteria

Waves

- By exploring reflections, the formation of shadows and the mixing of coloured lights, I can use my knowledge of the properties of light to show how it can be used in a creative way. SCN 2-11b
- By exploring the refraction of light when passed through different materials, lenses and prisms, I can explain how light can be used in a variety of applications. SCN 3-11a
- By exploring radiations beyond the visible, I can describe a selected application, discussing the advantages and limitations. SCN 3-11b
- By carrying out a comparison of the properties of parts of the electromagnetic spectrum beyond the visible, I can explain the use of radiation and discuss how this has impacted upon society and our quality of life. SCN 4-11b

Waves – 6 weeks

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1. Visible Light
2. Reflection
3. Refraction
4. Lenses
5. The eye
6. Eyesight correction
7. Colour Prism
8. Mixing Colour
9. Stroop / optical Illusions
10. Waves characteristics and beyond the visible
11. The EM Spectrum and applications
12. Infrared
13. UV
14. Risks of UV
15. X rays
16. Revision1
17. Revision 2
18. Assessment

Light & The Electromagnetic Spectrum

Starter:

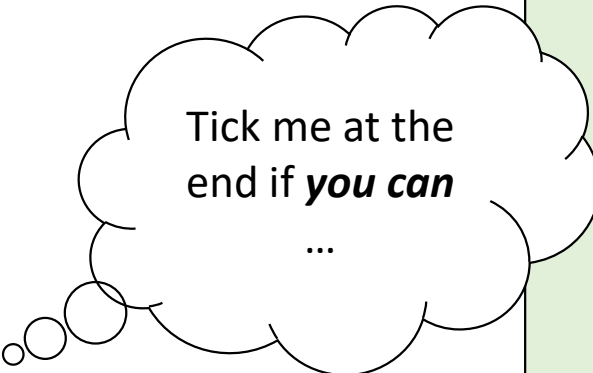
1. Name as many sources of light as you can.

Learning Intentions:

- To learn how we are able to see objects
- To state that light travels in straight lines.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can name objects that give out light and that reflect light.
- ☐ I can explain how shadows are formed.



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end if ***you can***

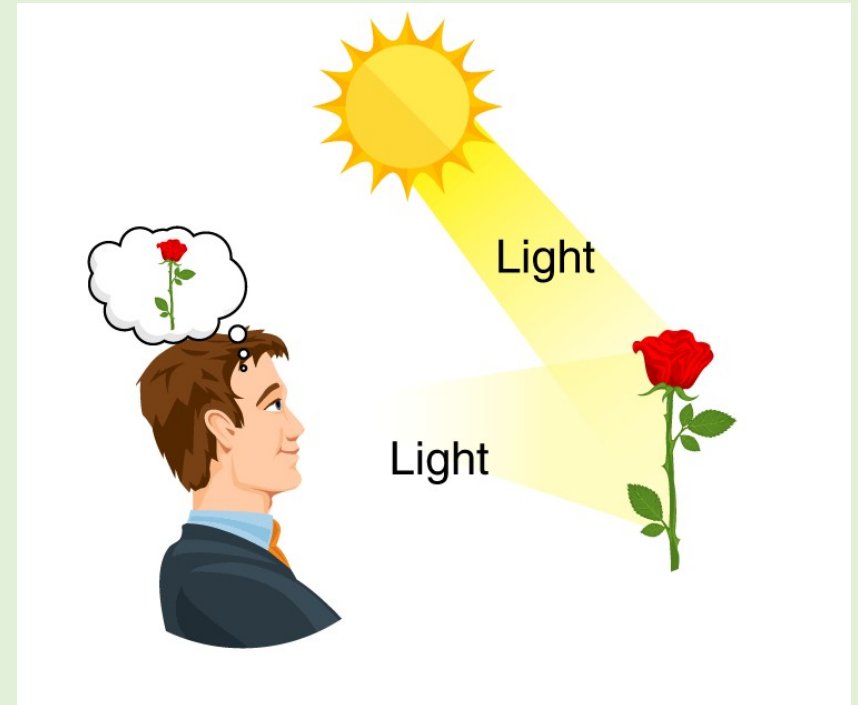
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How do we see objects?

Light is often seen as narrow beams or rays and can only travel in straight lines.

If light was able to bend without assistance, then we would be able to see round corners!

We see objects because they **give out** light (**emit**) or they **reflect** light.



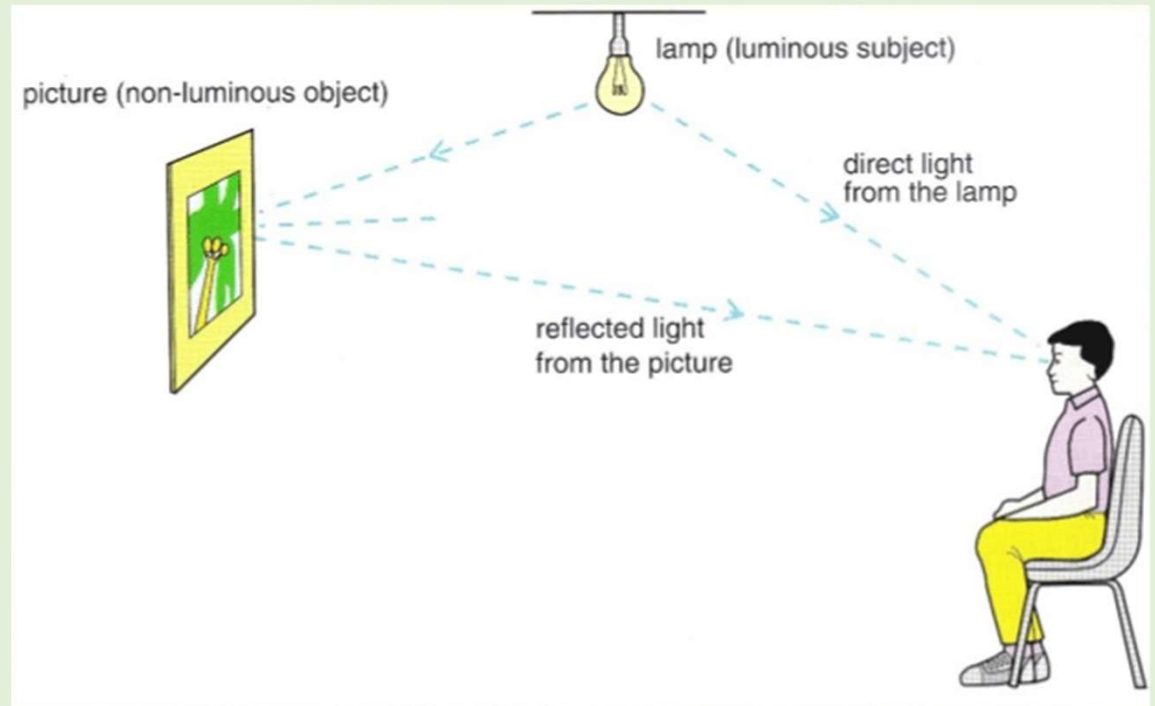
How do we see objects?

Explain why the boy can see the lamp?

The boy can see the lamp because the lamp **emits** light.

Explain why the boy can see the picture?

The boy can see the picture because the light from the lamp **reflected** off the picture then travels towards his eyes.



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We see objects because they give out light (emit) or they reflect light.



How do we see objects?

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In the table in your booklet write down the objects below under the correct heading – **emit light** or **reflect light**– be careful with some of them!



A light bulb



The Sun



stars



A mirror



A torch



The Moon



A candle



A book



A smartboard
screen



A painting

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Emit Light	Reflect Light

How do we see objects?

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Emit Light	Reflect Light
light bulb	mirror
Sun	book
stars	moon
torch	screen
candle	painting



Did you get the moon correct?
It reflects the light of the Sun

Travelling Light

Class Activity: Shadow Puppets

- Make a shadow puppet and leave it in a fixed position.
- Shine a light source onto your puppet

Describe what you see. What happens to the shadow when you?

1. Move the light source **further away**.
2. Move the light source **closer**.
3. Move the light source **to the right**.
4. Move the light source **to the left**.

Discuss in your groups how you think light travels. Explain your ideas in your booklet.



Travelling Light

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Class Activity: Shadow Puppets



Aim: To describe how light travels.

Method:

- Make a shadow puppet and leave it in a fixed position.
- Shine a light source onto your puppet



Travelling Light

Results:

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How do we see objects?

Conclusion: How does light travel?



Light travels in straight lines called rays.

Shadows form when light is blocked by an object.

Travelling Light



[Attraction Shadow Theatre Group \(Britain's Got Talent\)](#)



Visible Light

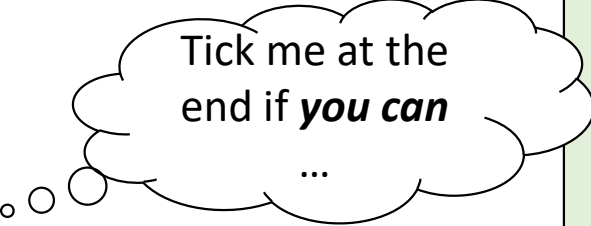
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Plenary: True or False

1. Light travels in **straight** lines. **True**
2. Light can **pass through** any type of material. **False**
3. We can only see objects that give out their **own** light. **False**
4. A mirror is said to **reflect** light. **True**
5. Objects blocking the path of light rays cause shadows. **True**

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state that light travels in straight lines.
- ☐ I can state that objects either give out light or reflect it.

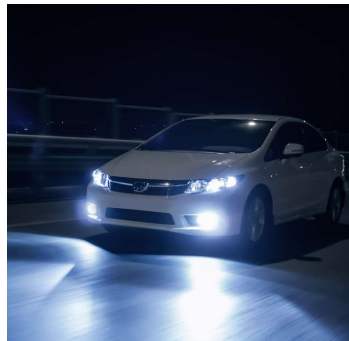


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Starter:

Split these objects into two categories. Objects which give out light and objects which reflect light.

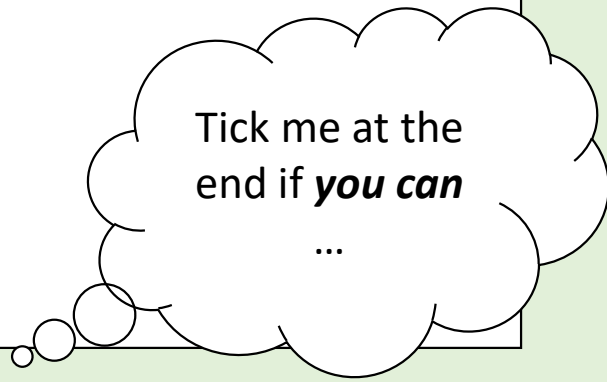


Learning Intentions:

- To state the rule of reflection.
- To describe some applications of reflection.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can explain the relationship between the angle of incidence and the angle of reflection.
- ☐ I can identify the terms: incident ray, reflected ray and normal.
- ☐ I can give examples of where I've seen reflected light.



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Reflection

Class Discussion:

1. What does the word **reflection** mean?
2. Where have you seen light reflecting?





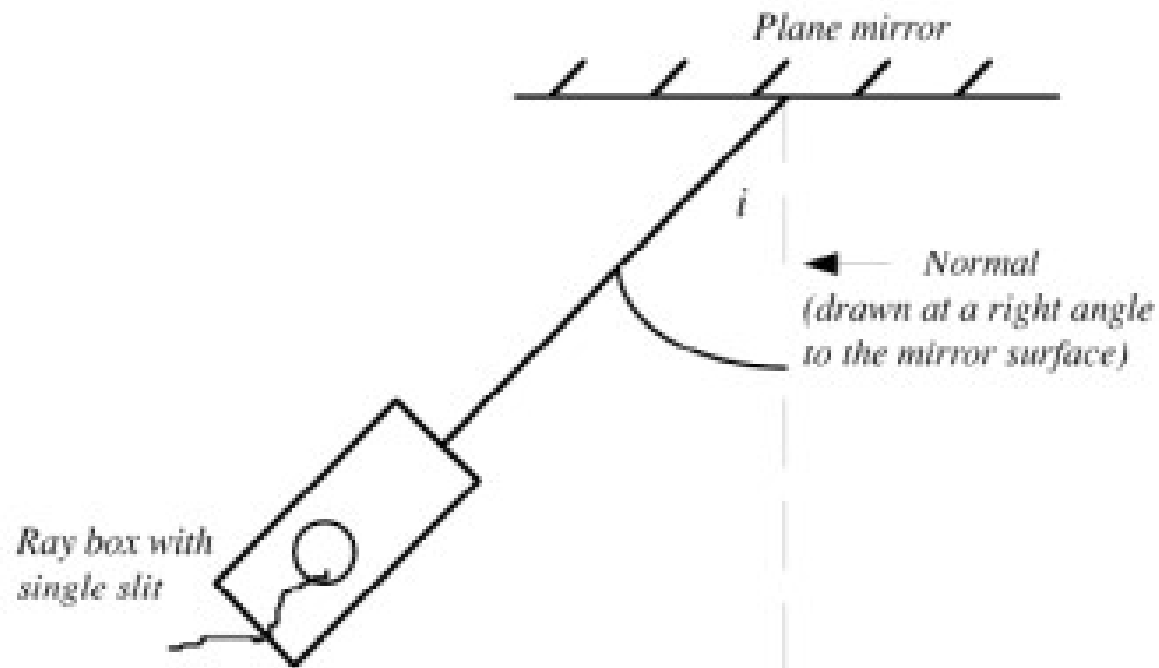
Smooth, shiny surfaces such as mirrors, polished metal reflect light.

Rule of Reflection

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Aim: To investigate the relationship between the angle of **incidence** and angle of **reflection** using a plane mirror.

Method:

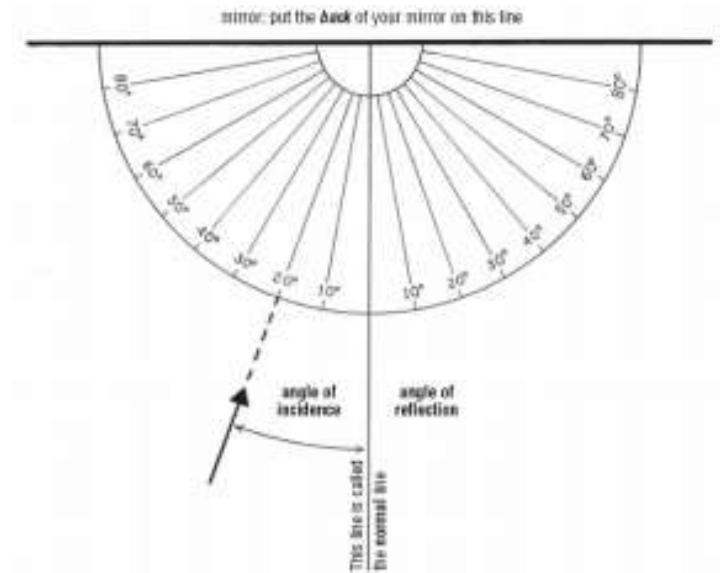


Method:

- Collect a mirror and a ray box.
- Shine a single ray of light against the mirror.
- Set the ray box to shine a single ray of light at an angle of incidence of 20° from the normal.
- Record the angle of reflection.
- Repeat with other angles.

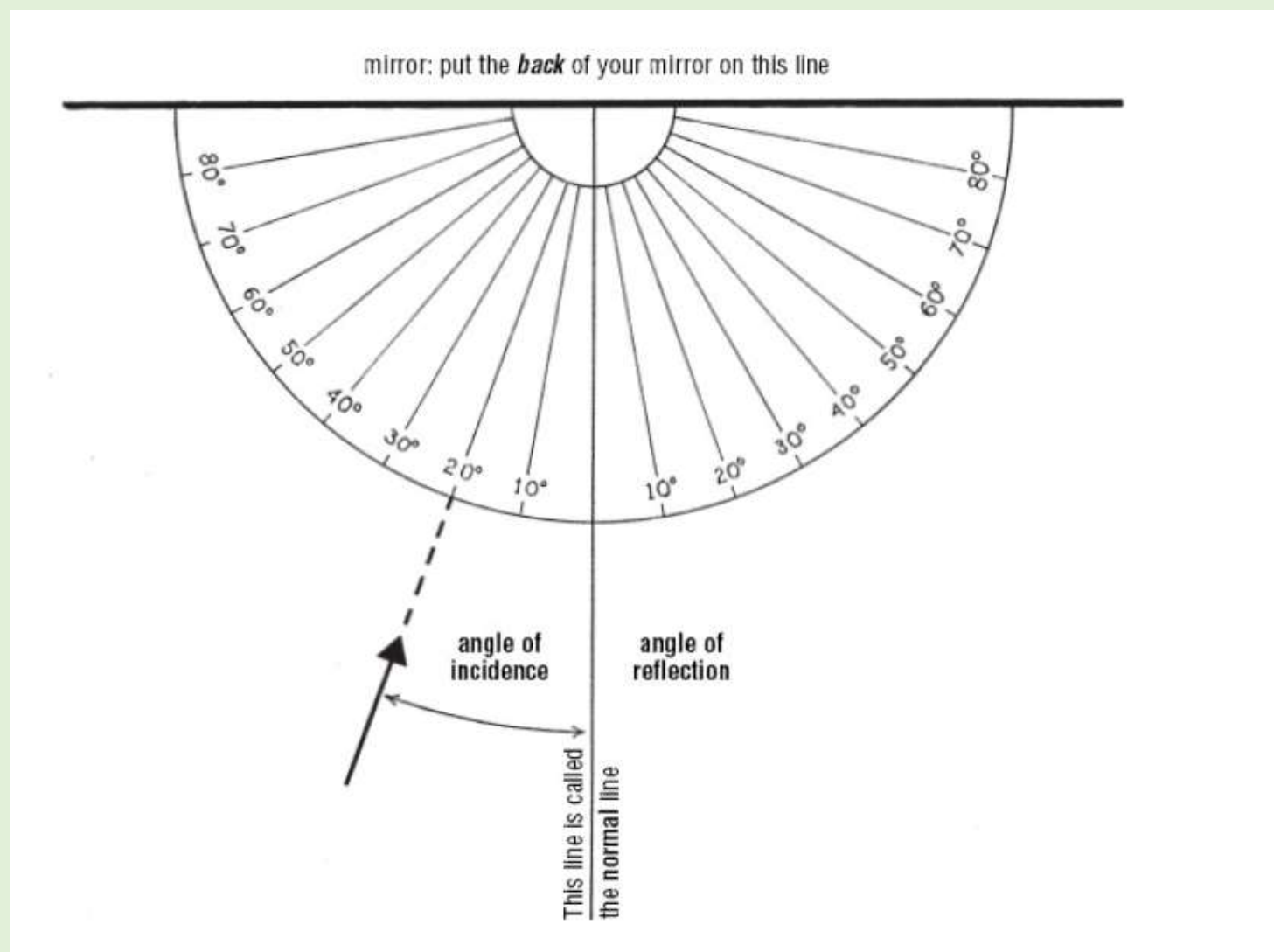


INVESTIGATE REFLECTION



Results:

Angle of Incidence <i>i</i>	Angle of reflection <i>r</i>
20°	



Rule of Reflection



Results:

Angle of Incidence (°) i	Angle of Reflection (°) r
20°	
30°	
40°	
50°	
60°	

Rule of Reflection

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Aim: To investigate the relationship between the **angle of incidence** and **angle of reflection** using a plane mirror.

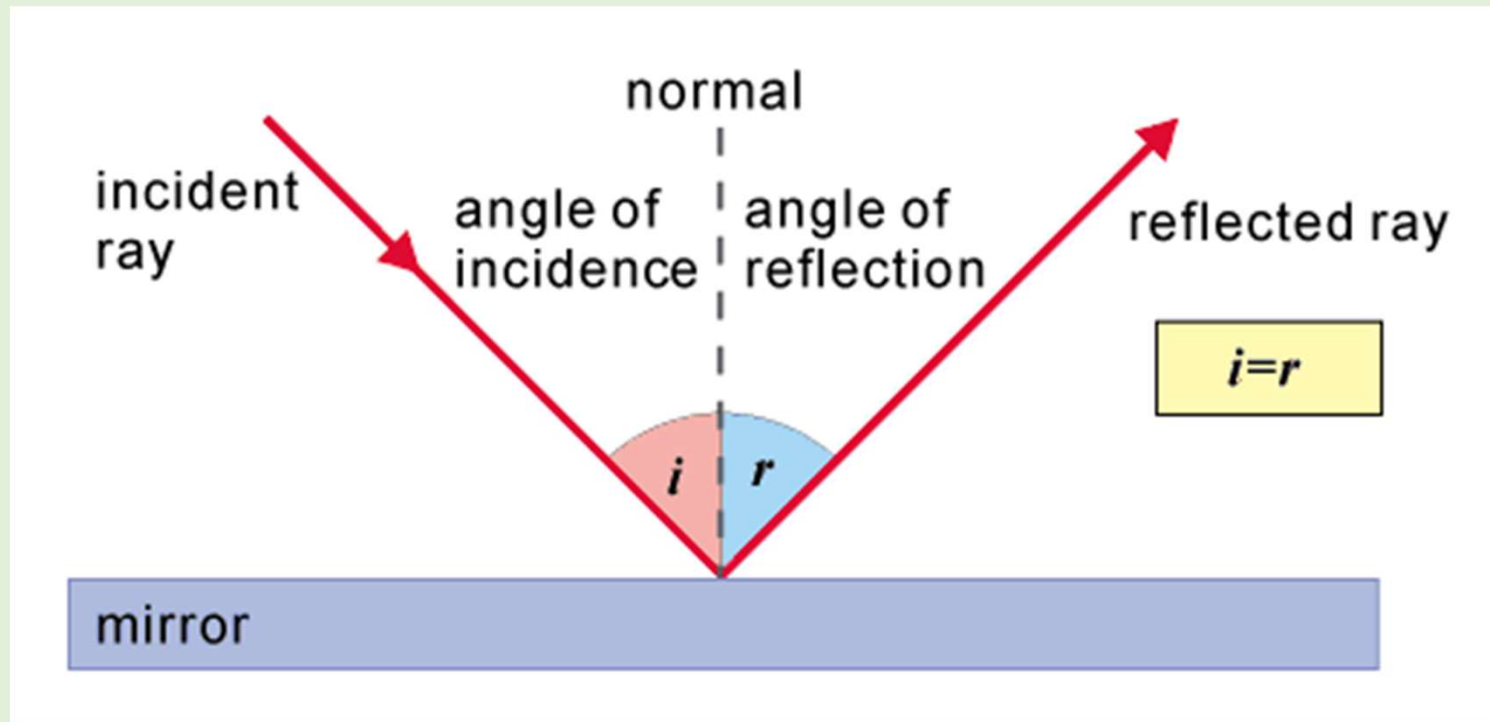


Conclusion: Answer your aim

The **angle of incidence** is equal to the **angle of reflection**.

Rule of Reflection

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Rule of Reflection

When light is reflected, the angle is always measured between the light ray and the normal.

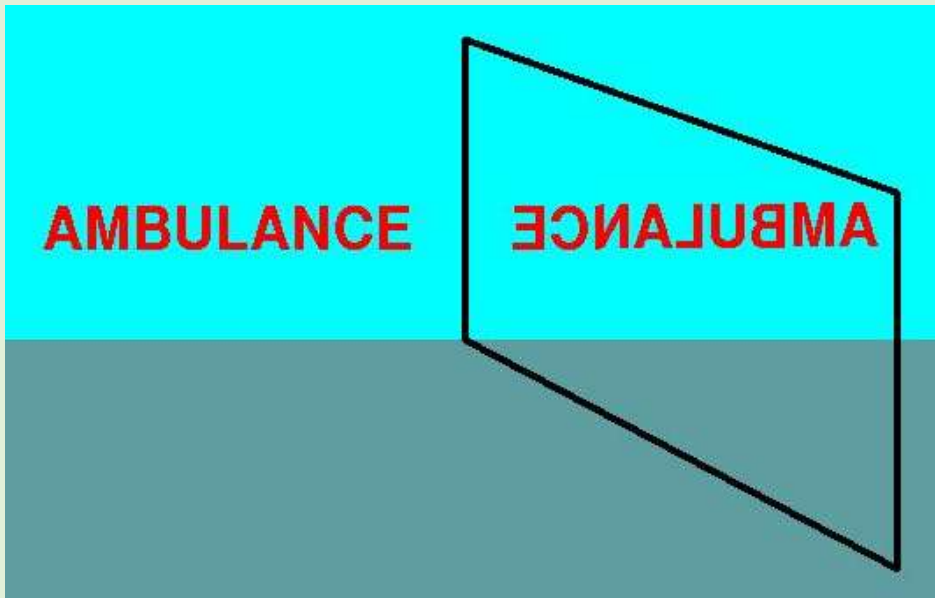


The **normal** is a reference line which is at 90° to the surface of the block.

Rule of Reflection

Class question:

Why does an ambulance have the word **ambulance** written backwards (inverted) on the bonnet?



Extension Task:

Write a word or message on a piece of paper which is inverted.
Swap messages with your partner and read it with the mirror. Did you read it correctly?

Using Reflection

Class Question:

What other objects use reflection in a useful way?

Make a list in your booklet.

The following object using reflection in a useful way:

Using Reflection



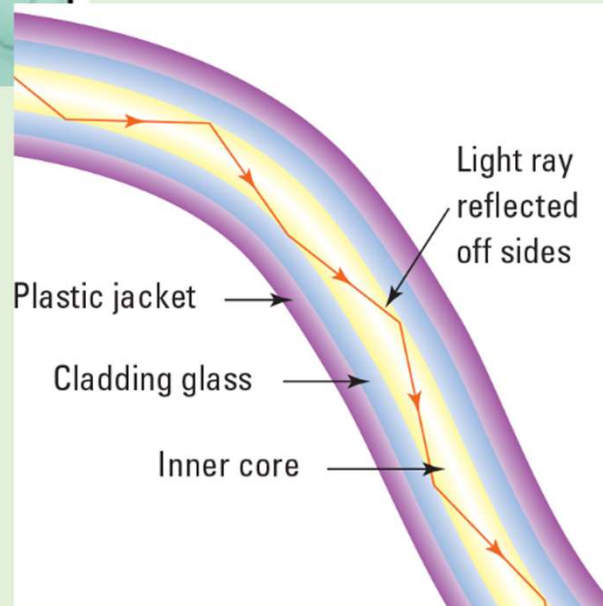
A common use is a makeup mirror.

Using Reflection



It is also used in **endoscopes**.

Light is sent inside the patient and an image of their insides reflects back inside the tube and appears on a screen. The doctor can see inside the patient.



Using Reflection

Curved mirror

Solar cooker

Headlight

Torch

Fibre optics

Rule of Reflection



Extension task: Questions to challenge your thinking:

1. Why do you think mirrors are often used in telescopes?
2. If you were to design a room that uses the least amount of electric lighting during the day, how would you use the concept of reflection to your advantage?
3. Can you think of any animals or creatures that use reflection or light emission in nature? (Hint: Think about deep-sea creatures or insects that glow in the dark.)

Using Reflection

And for funPepper's Ghost

This trick using a half mirror can make you see the impossible!

[Video](#)

Reflection

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Plenary:

Why is our own reflection in the mirror different from what others see?



Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the rule of reflection.
- ☐ I can describe some applications of reflection.

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Starter:

1. State the rule of reflection
2. A pupil investigating the rule of reflection arranges a ray box with a ray of light incident on a plane mirror. The diagram shows the angles of incidence light. What are the expected values for the matching angles of reflection?



Angle of reflection:

Green =

Yellow =

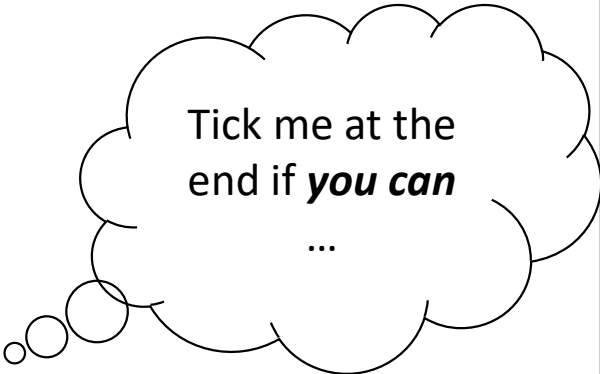
Red =

Learning Intentions:

- To state that refraction is when light changes speed when travelling from one material to another.
- To state that refraction can cause light to change direction.

Success Criteria

- ☐ To explain what happens to light when it passes through different materials.
- ☐ To explain what happens to light when it passes through different shapes.



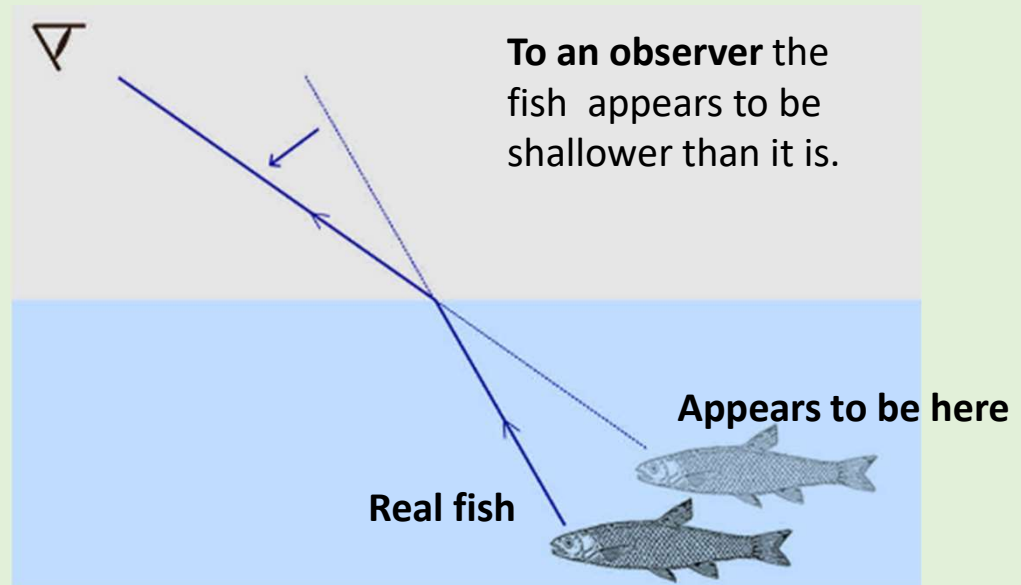
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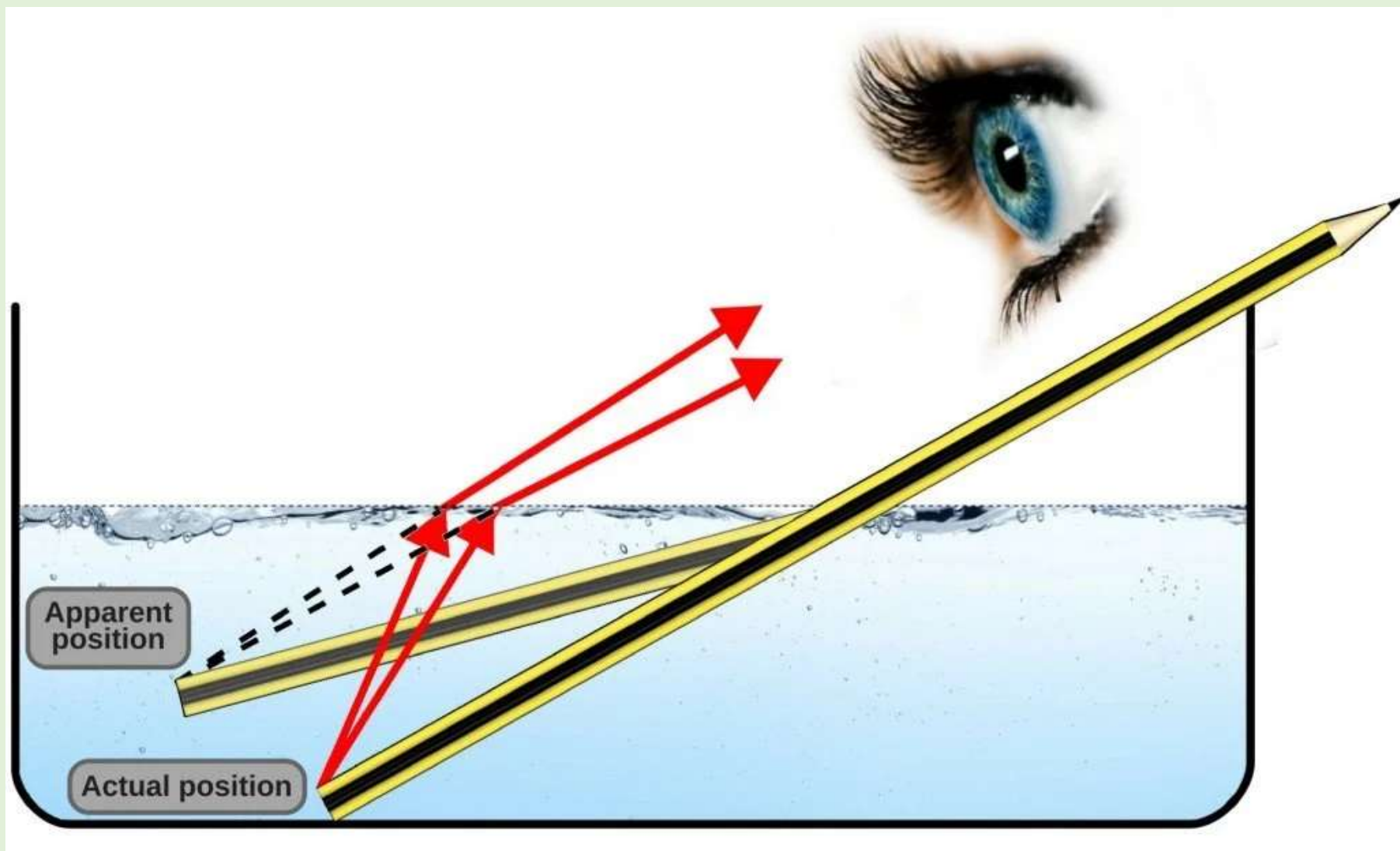
Refraction

Refraction can often be seen in every-day life.

Refraction can make light **bend**



The light from the part of the pencil in the water, and the light from the fish both must pass from water to air to reach our eyes.



Refraction

Refraction is where light changes speed when it moves from one material to another.

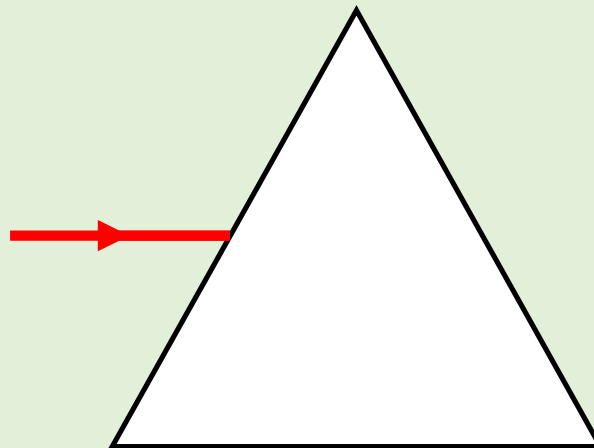
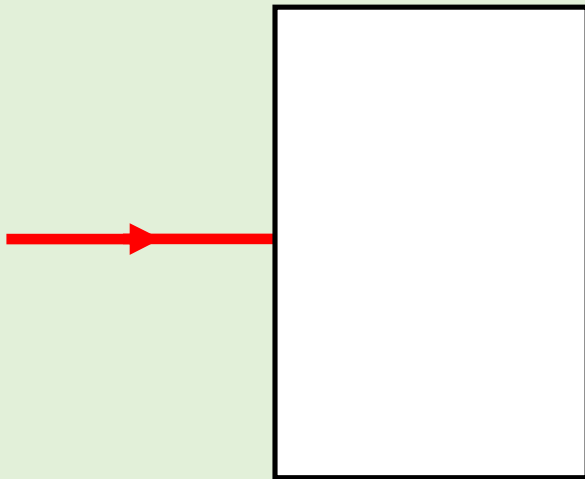
This often causes the light to bend and change direction.



Refraction Experiment

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Aim: To investigate how light changes direction in two different shaped plastic blocks; a **rectangular block** and a **triangular block**.

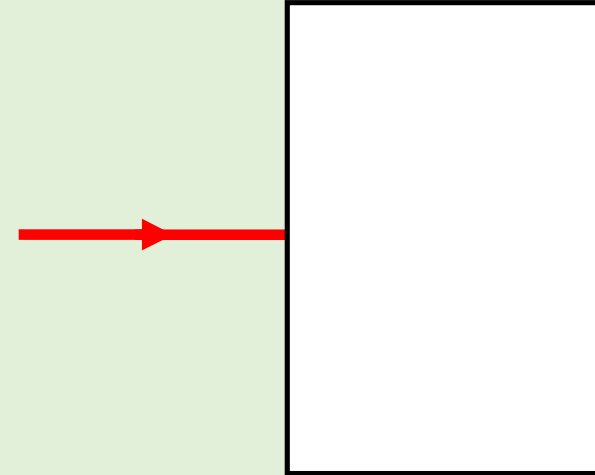


Refraction

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Method: Use a **ruler** when you draw rays of light.

1. Draw around the block.
2. Draw a line to represent the incoming ray.
This is called the incident ray.
3. Shine the laser through the glass block and mark where the beam of light exits the block.
4. Draw the ray of light as it leaves the glass block. This is the refractive ray.
5. Connect the rays together.
6. At the point of entry to the block, label the angle of incidence i and the angle of refraction r .



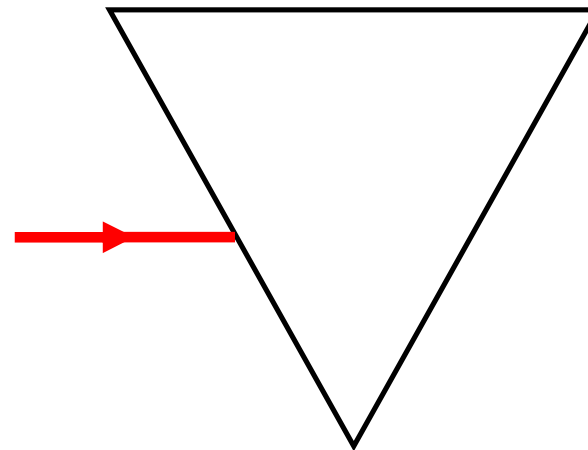
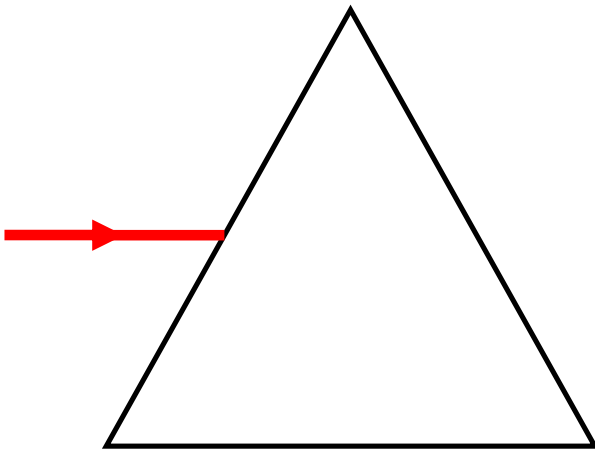
Refraction

Results:



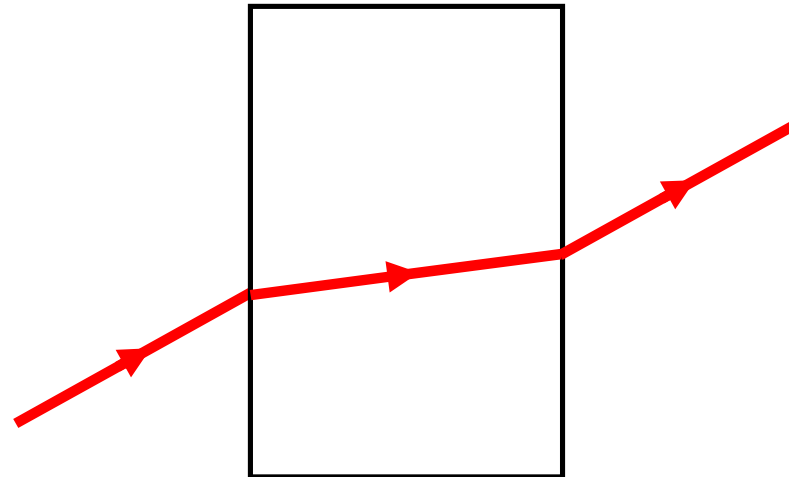
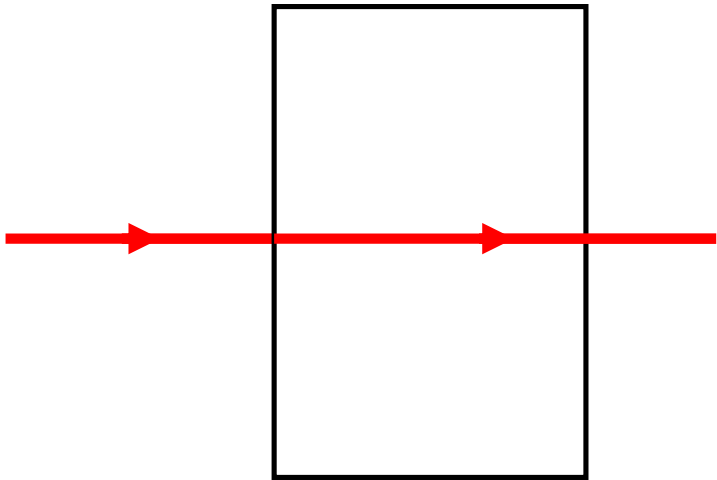
Refraction

Results:



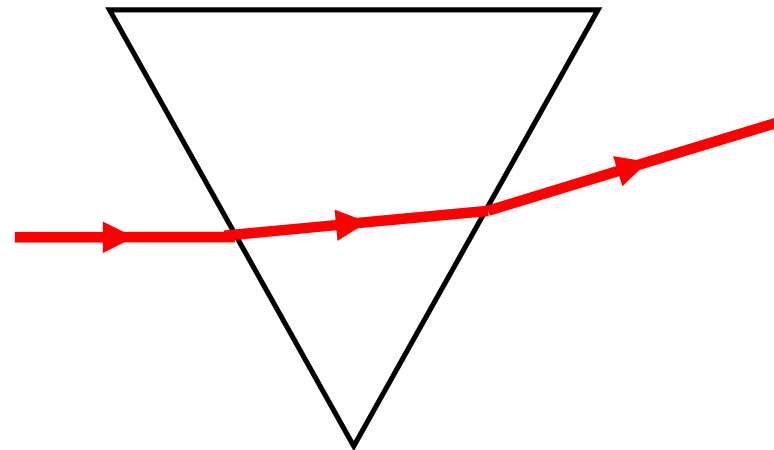
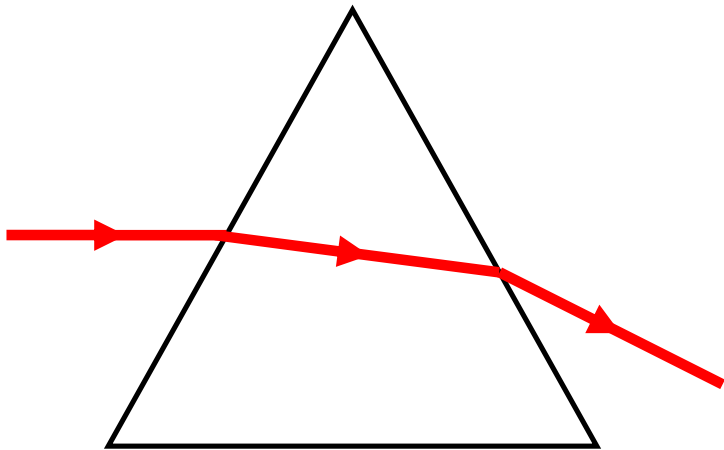
Refraction

Results:



Refraction

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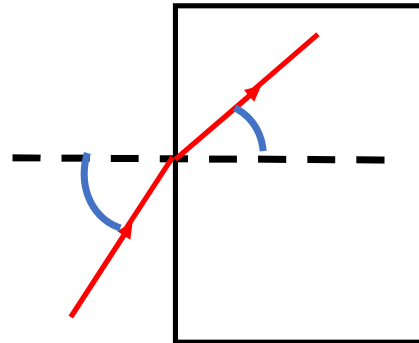
Conclusion:

Aim: To investigate how light changes direction in two different shaped plastic blocks; a **rectangular block** and a **triangular block**.

Refraction

Extension Task:

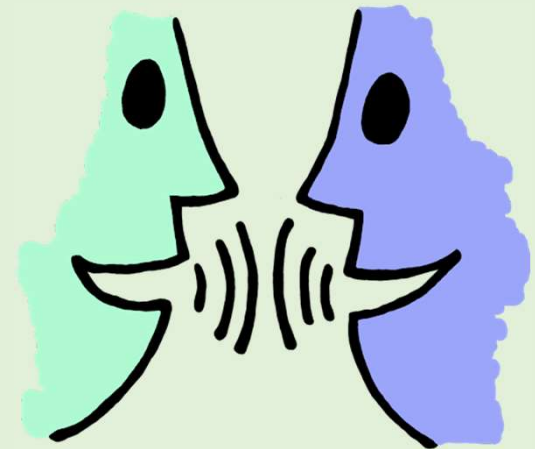
Using a protractor, measure the angle of incidence and the angle of refraction in diagrams 2, 3 and 4.



Aim: To investigate how light changes direction in two different shaped plastic blocks; a **rectangular block** and a **triangular block**.

Refraction

[Refraction of light | Physics - Bitesize Science– 1:53](#)



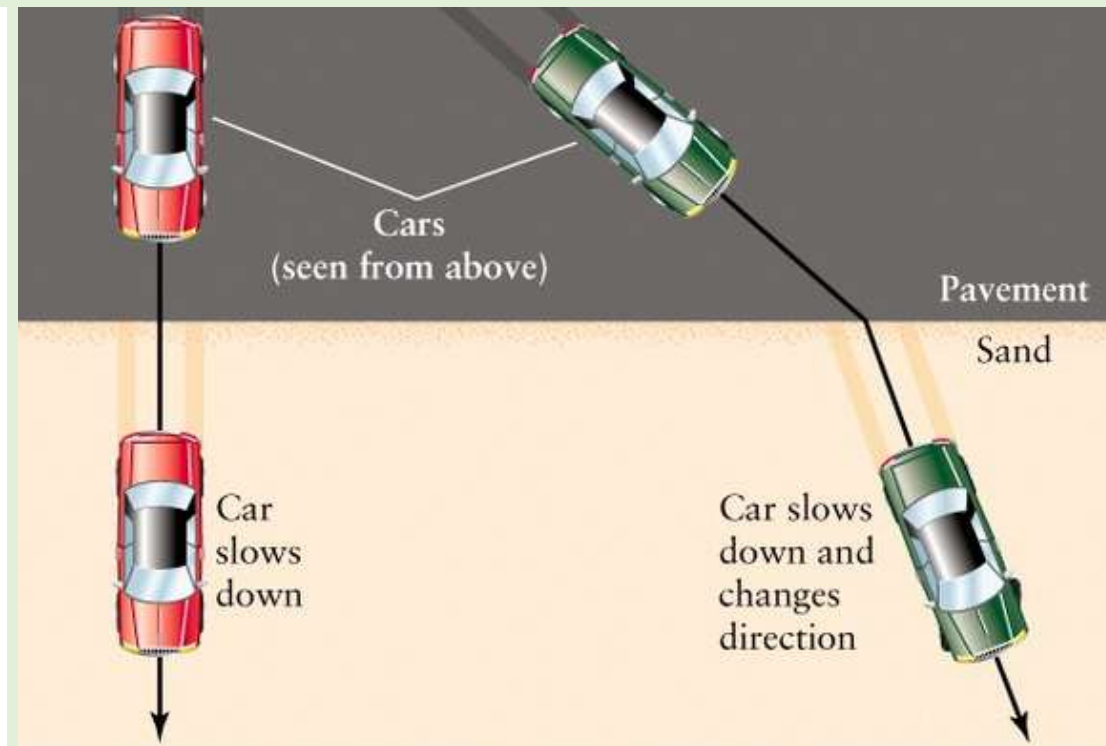
Be prepared to share what you learned with the class!

Refraction

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Plenary:

Explain how this picture of a car driving from the pavement onto the sand is like light traveling from air into plastic.



Success Criteria

- ☐ To state that refraction is when light changes speed when travelling from one material to another.
- ☐ To state that refraction can cause light to change direction.

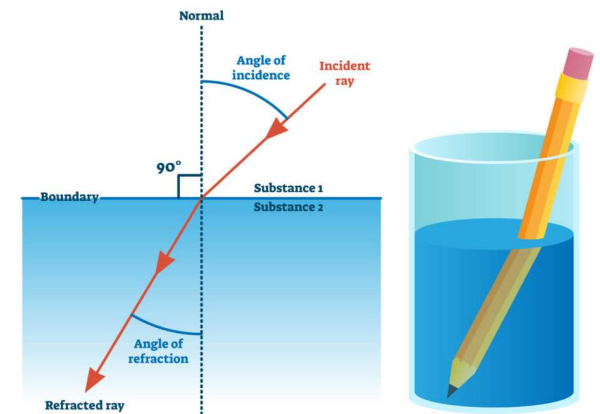
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Starter:

1. State what is meant by “refraction of a wave”?
(What is the “definition of refraction”?)
2. A pupil states that the direction of a wave always changes when it refracts. Is this statement true or false? Give a reason for your answer.

REFRACTION

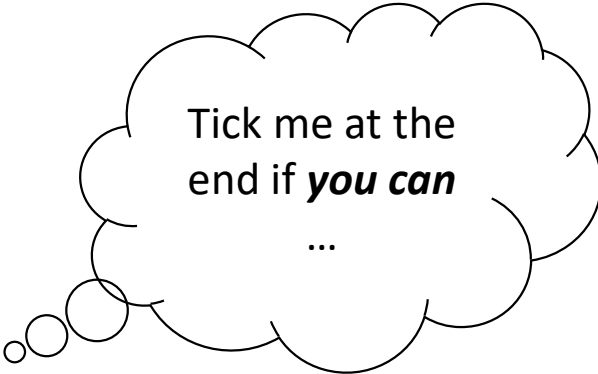


Learning Intentions:

- To investigate the refraction of light through convex and concave lenses.
- To identify applications of refraction, such as lenses to correct long and short sight.

Success Criteria

- ☐ To describe what happens when light travels through convex and concave lenses.
- ☐ To draw ray diagrams to show the effect of thick and thin lenses on light rays.

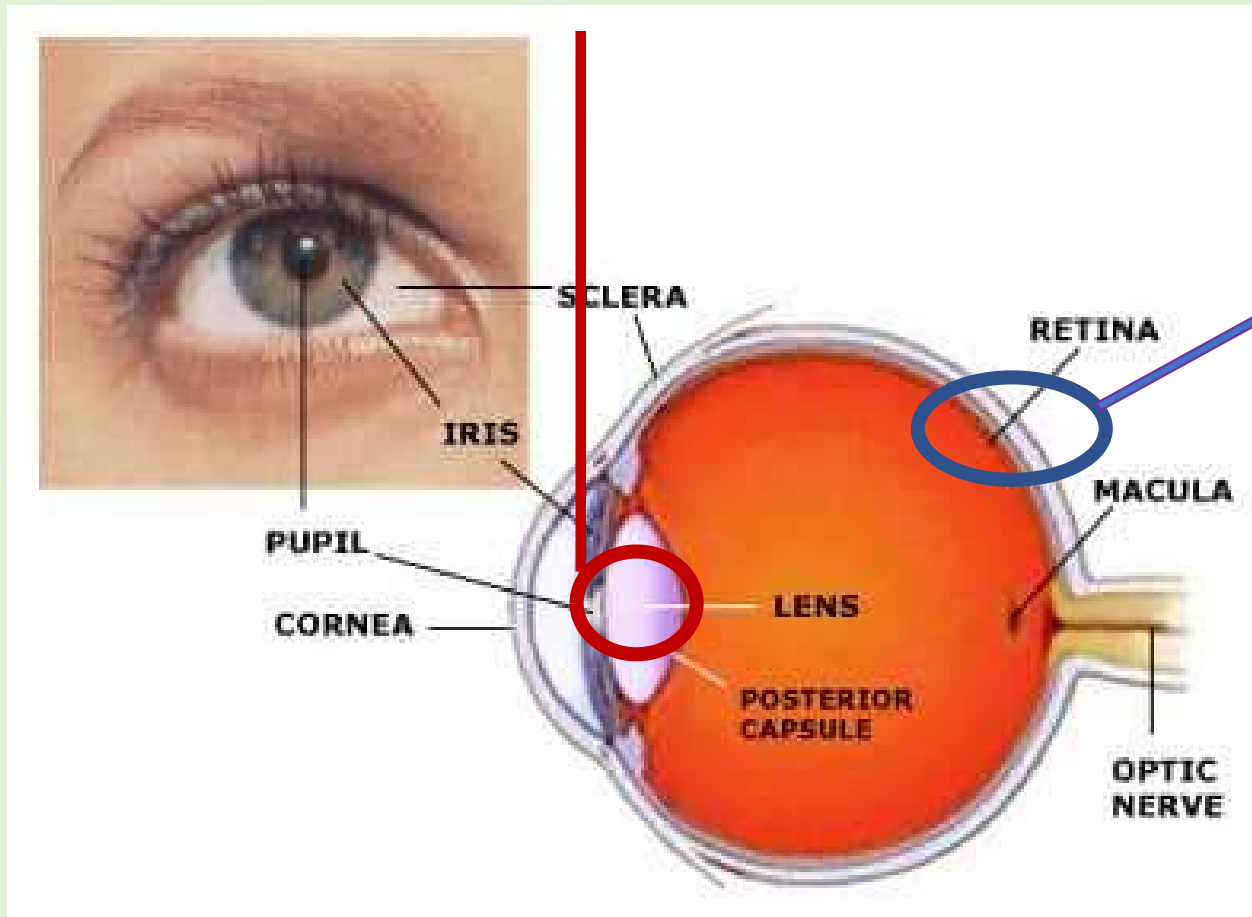


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Lenses

Each of your eyes has a **lens**.



The lens in your eye bends light onto your **retina** so that an image forms there. You've got a tiny movie screen inside your eyes!

Lenses

Lenses deliberately bend light to correct for common **eyesight defects**.

Short sight

Can't see distant things clearly



Long sight

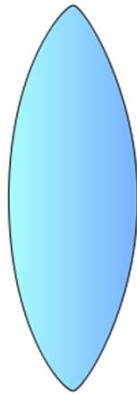
Can't see close things clearly

These defects are **very** common.
Many people need to wear glasses.

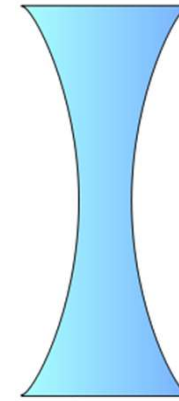
Lenses

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Lenses bend light. They come in two basic shapes -

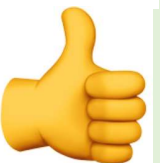


Convex or **converging** lens
(thicker in the middle than at the edges...)



Concave or **diverging** lens
(thinner in the middle than at the edges...)

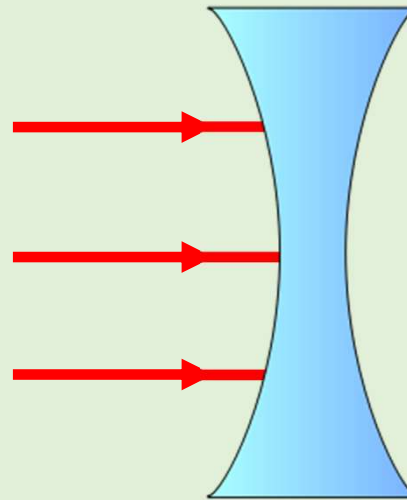
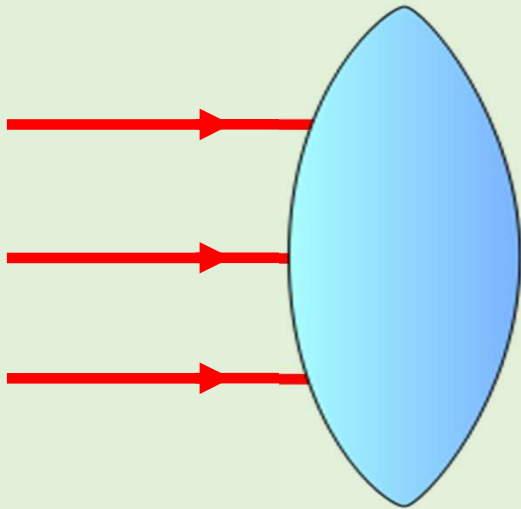
(“Caves go in the way...”)



Lenses

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Aim: To investigate how light refracts as it passes through different convex and concave lenses.



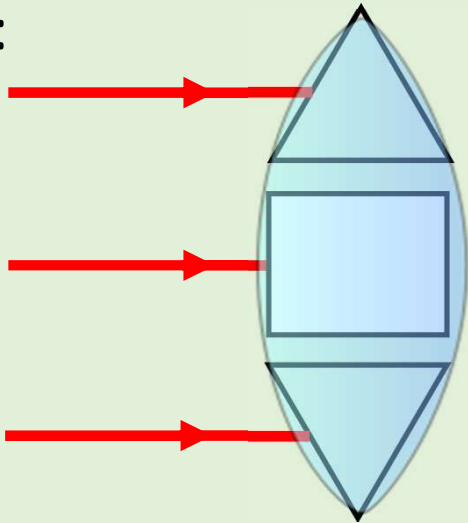
Lenses



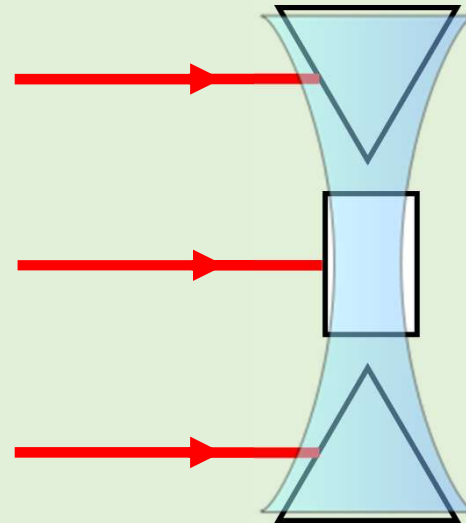
Predict what is going to happen...

Think about the following, based on what you have already seen ...

A **convex** lens can be thought of as:



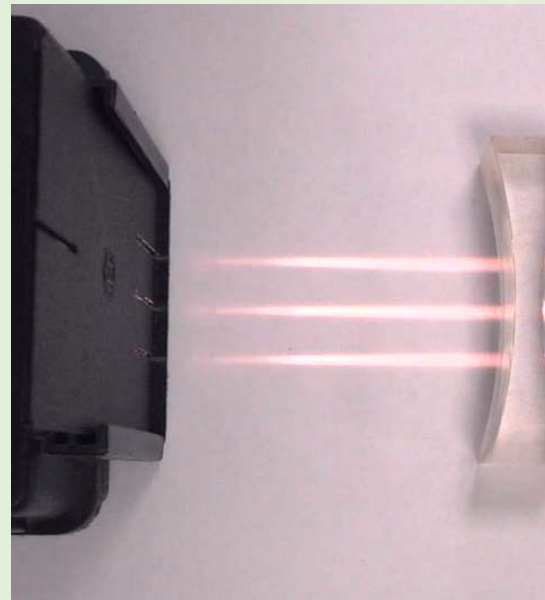
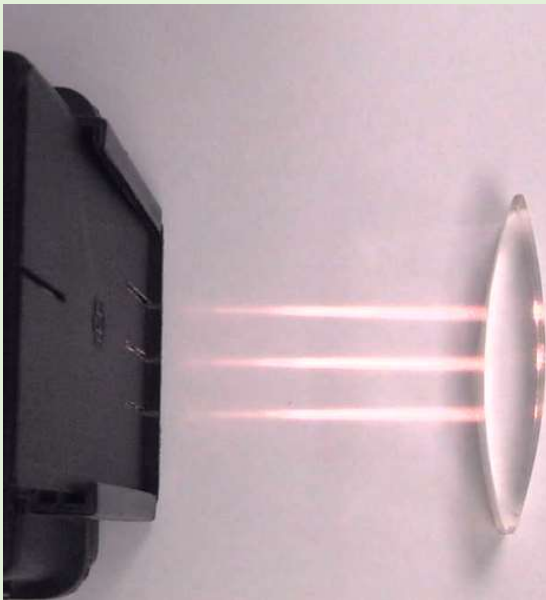
A **concave** lens can be thought of as:



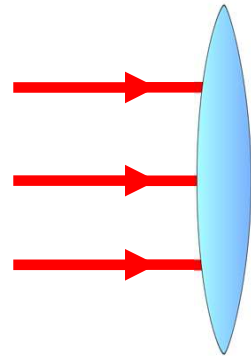
Carry out the experiment– were you correct?

Method:

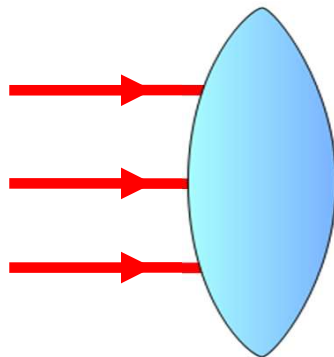
1. Using the ray box shine three rays of parallel light into each lens.
2. Draw around the lens and mark the path of the rays of light on both sides of the lens.
3. Repeat for each lens.



Results:



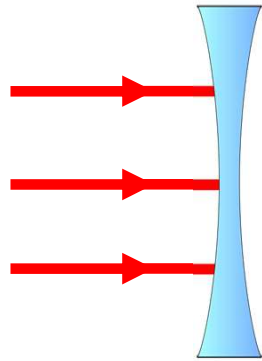
Thin convex lens



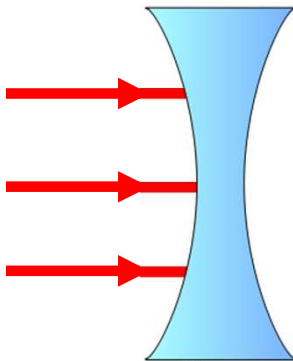
Thick convex lens

1. How does a convex lens affect the path of the light rays?
2. How does the thickness of the lenses affect the path of the light rays?

Results:



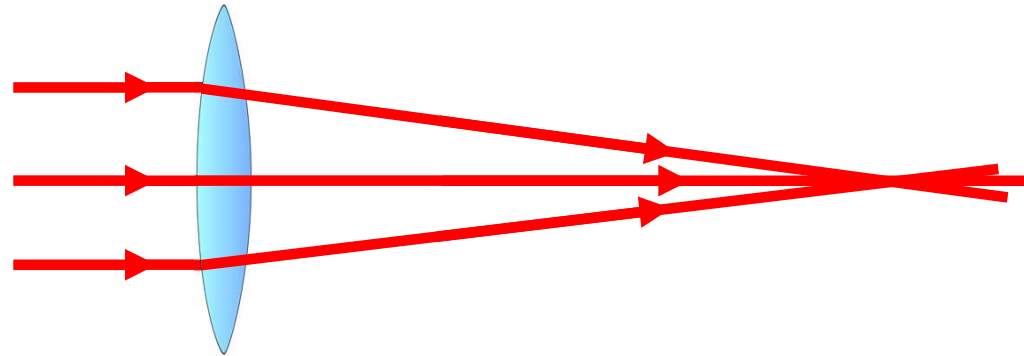
Thin concave lens



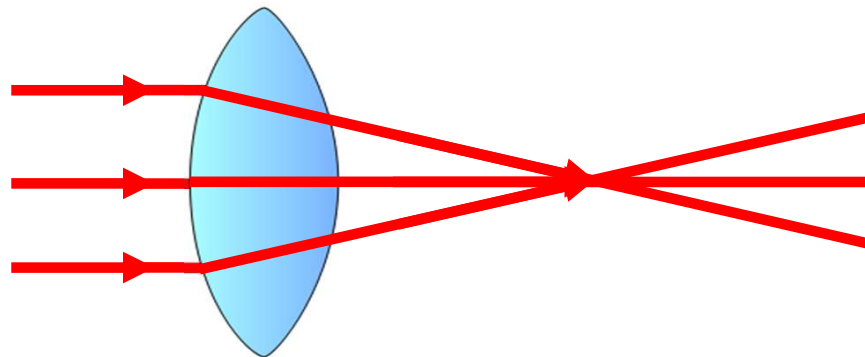
Thick concave lens

1. How does a concave lens affect the path of the light rays?
2. How does the thickness of the lenses affect the path of the light rays?

Results:



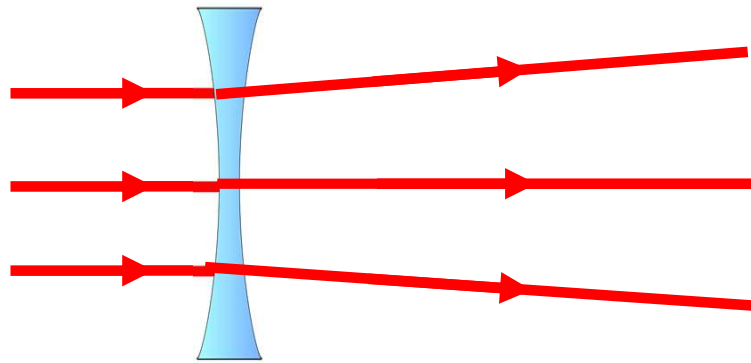
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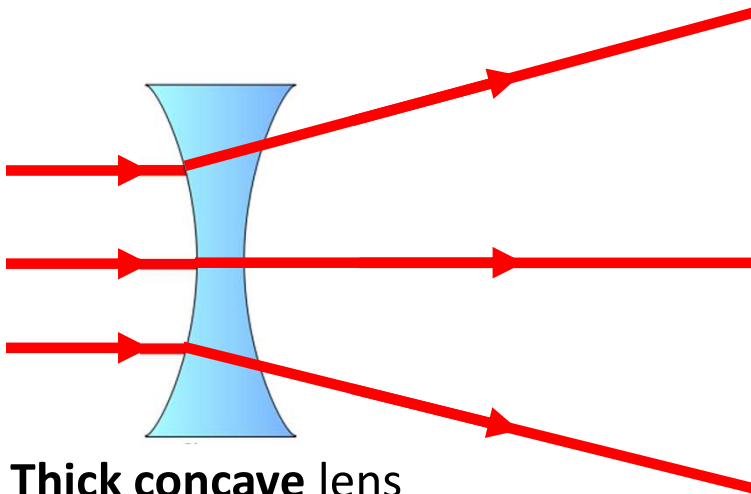
Thick convex lens

Lenses

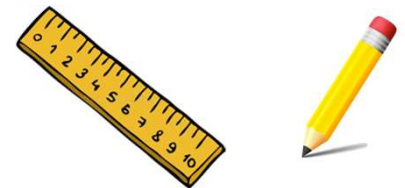
Results:



Thin concave lens



Thick concave lens



Conclusion:

Aim: To investigate how light refracts as it passes through different convex and concave lenses.

Lenses

Convex lenses bring the rays together to a focal point.

Concave lenses make the light spread out.



Lenses

The more **curved** a lens is the greater the effect on the light rays.

The thicker convex lens brings the rays to a focus closer to the lens.



Lenses

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Plenary:

Name **5** devices which use lenses.



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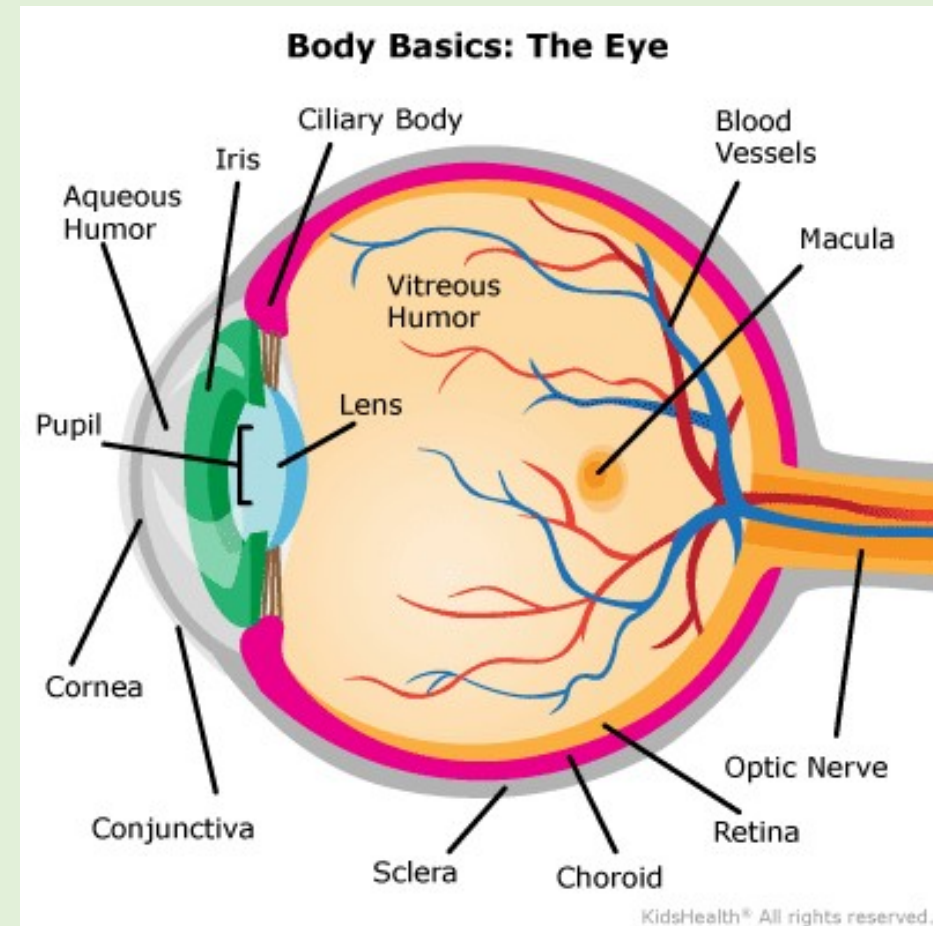
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Success Criteria

- ☐ To investigate the refraction of light through convex and concave lenses

Starter:

1. What property of light causes light to bend when it moves from one material to another?
2. Name and draw the two basic lens shapes.

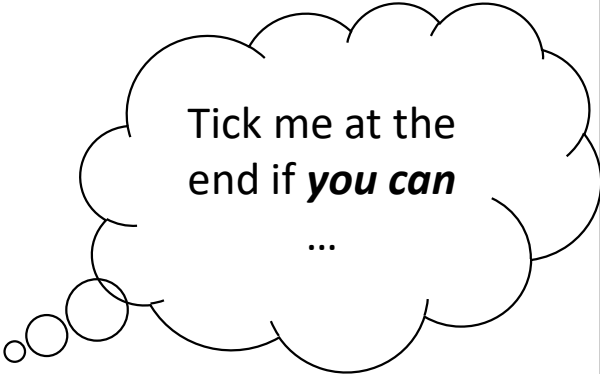


Learning Intentions:

- To explain how the eye works.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the names and functions for parts of the eye.
- ☐ I can explain the job of the lens.

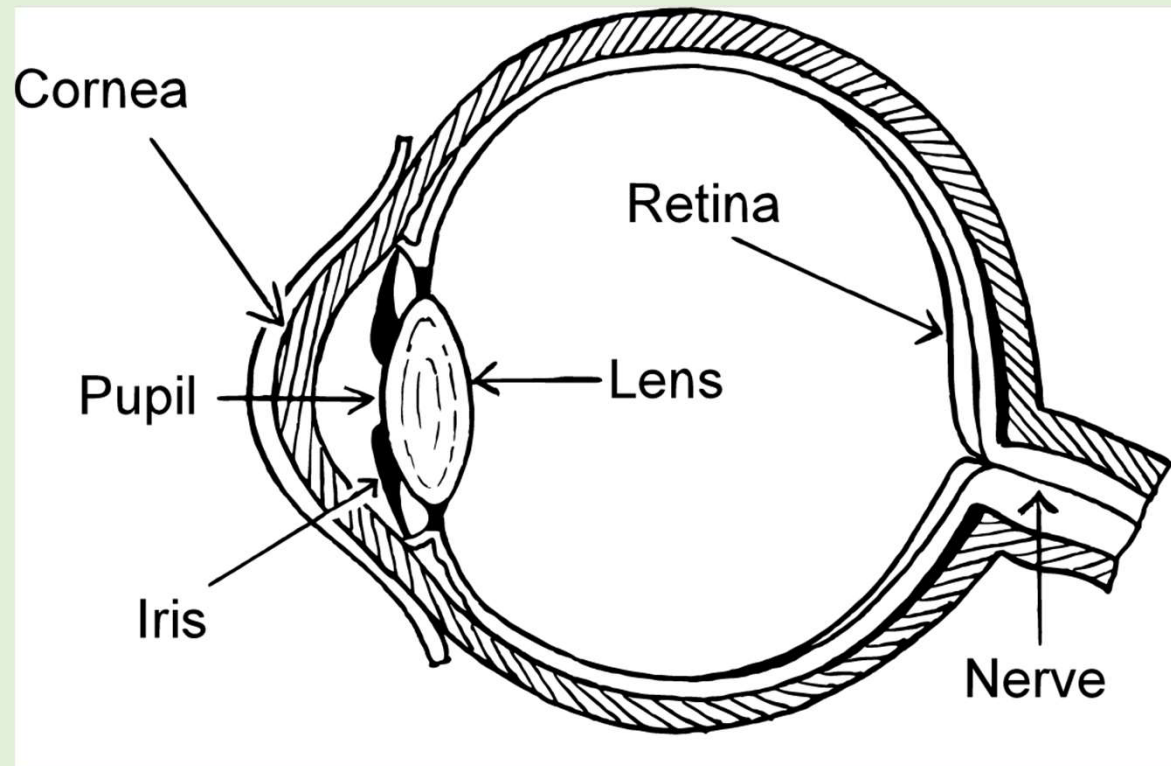


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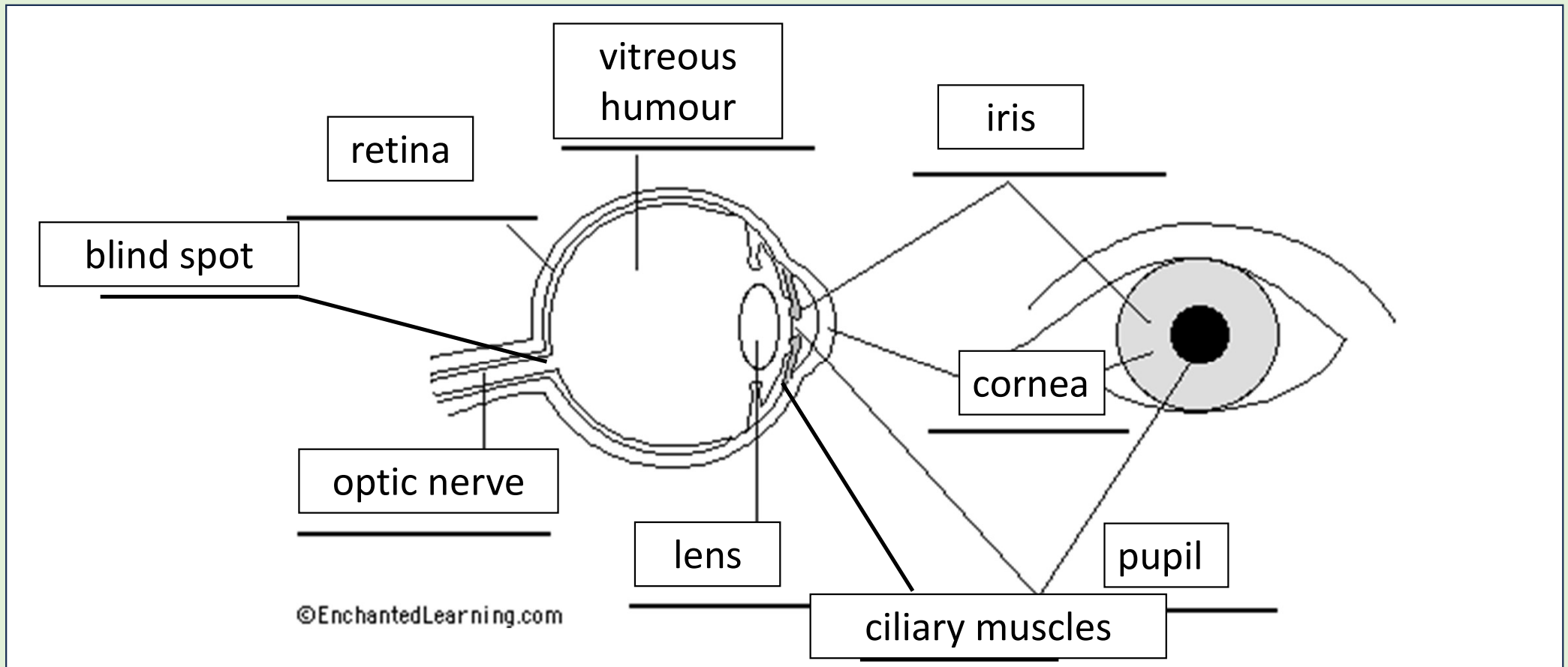
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The Eye

In order to find out how we see, we need to find out what our eye looks like.



The Eye



The Eye



[What's inside an eyeball? | Eyeball Dissection | We The Curious](#) – 3.27

Listen out for these words whilst watching the video...

Pupil

Iris

Lens

Retina

Cornea

Blind spot

Optic nerve

Ciliary Muscles

Vitreous humour

The Eye

Parts		Function
My try	Correct	
		A hole which lets light through.
		Coloured part of the eye and controls the size of the pupil.
		Shape can be changed to focus the light.
		Receptor cells which convert light into electrical impulses.
		Transparent layer at the front of the eye which helps focus the light.
		A place on the retina where there are no receptor cells.
		Sends electrical impulses to the brain.
		Changes the lens shape to focus the light on the retina.
		A gel like substance which helps maintain the round shape of the eye.

The Eye

Put these words in the parts column under 'My Try'. Match them to the correct function.

Pupil

Optic nerve

Ciliary muscles

Retina

Iris

Blind spot

Vitreous humour

Pupil

Cornea

Card sort also
available

Parts		Function
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The Eye

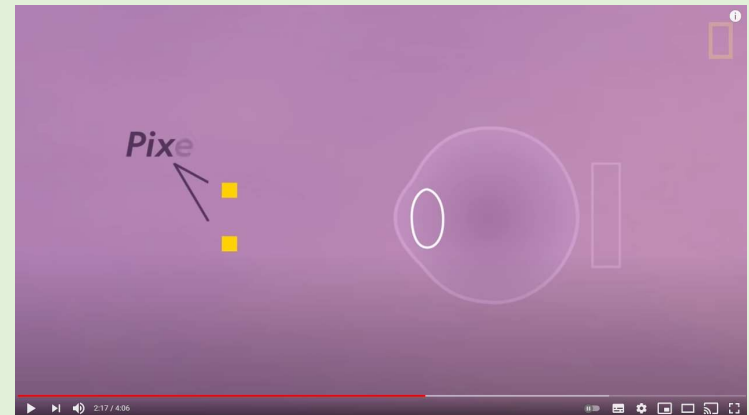
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My try	Correct	
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	Iris	Coloured part of the eye and controls the size of the pupil.
	Lens	Shape can be changed to focus the light.
	Retina	Receptor cells which convert light into electrical impulses.
	Cornea	Transparent layer at the front of the eye which helps focus the light.
	Blind spot	A place on the retina where there are no receptor cells.
	Optic nerve	Sends electrical impulses to the brain.
	Ciliary Muscles	Changes the lens shape to focus the light on the retina.
	Vitreous humour	A gel like substance which helps maintain the round shape of the eye.

How does the human eye work?

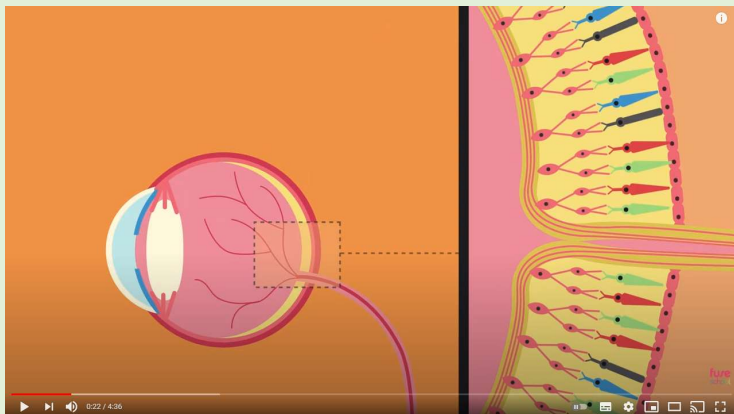
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[How Your Eyes Make Sense of the World | Decoder-4:06](#)



[The Eye | Physiology | Biology | FuseSchool – 4:36](#)



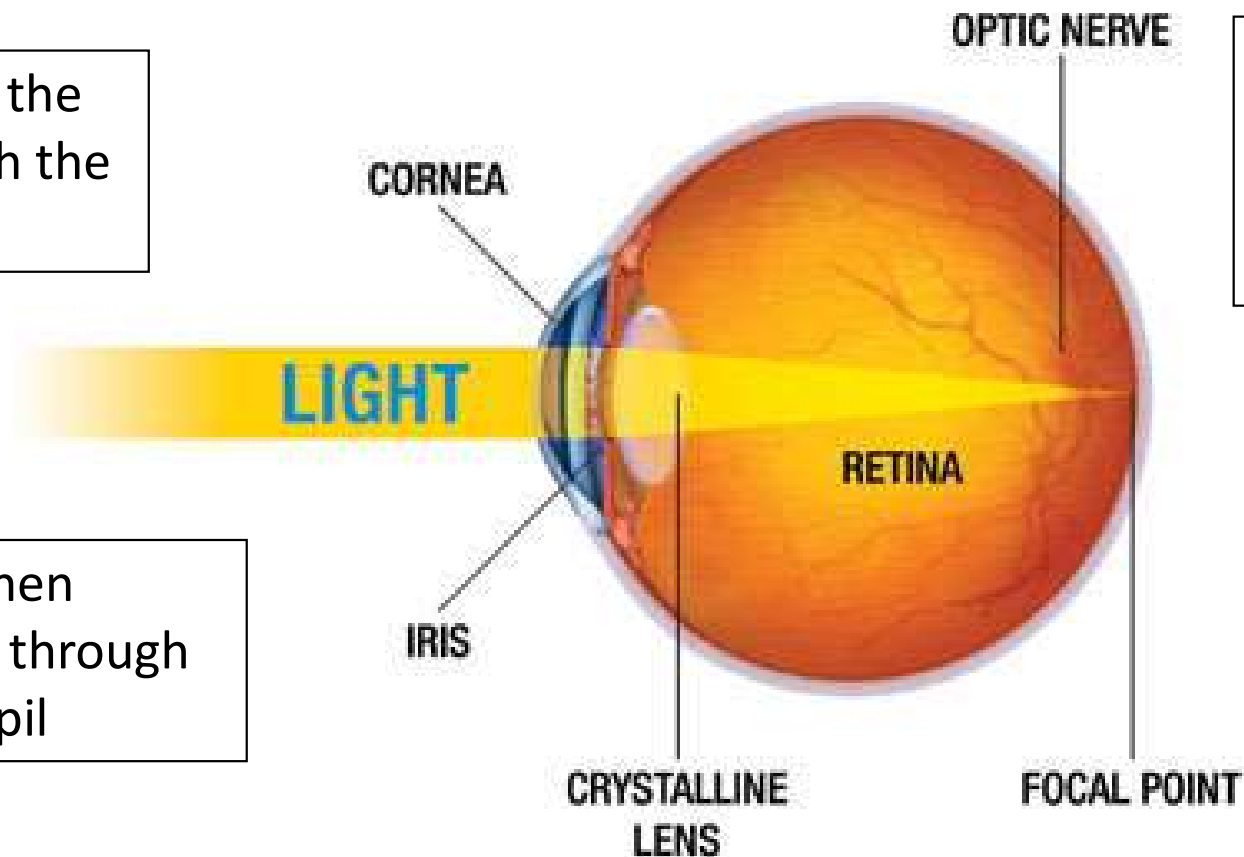
[Operation Ouch - The Eye Lense | Body Facts – 4:01](#)



Light enter the eye through the cornea

Light then passes through the pupil

The lens focuses the light on to the retina



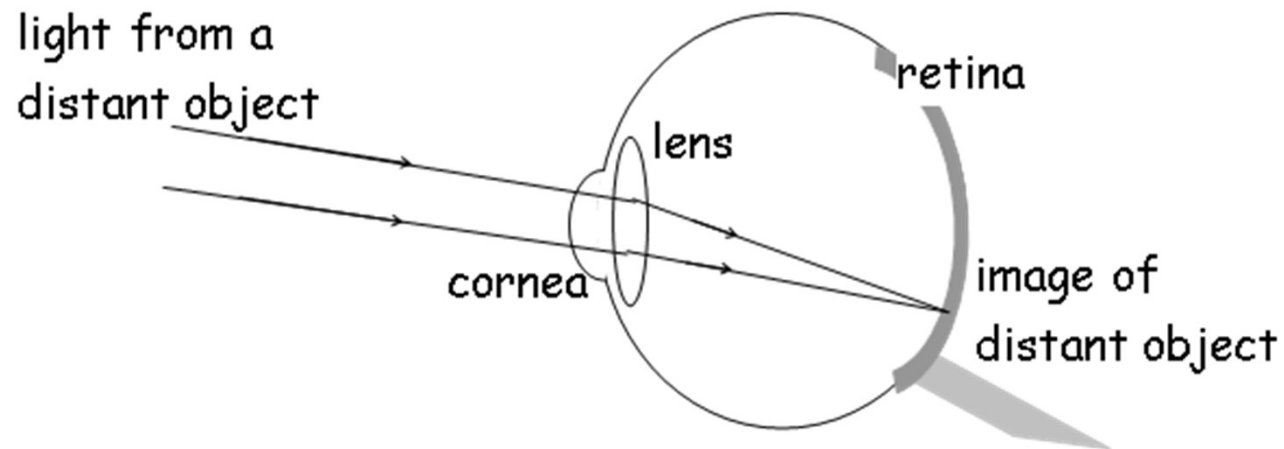
When light hits the retina, special cells turn the light into electrical signals

These electrical signals travel from the retina through the optic nerve to the brain. Then the brain turns the signals into the images you see.

How do we see?

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Light from an object will enter the eye. This light is focused by the _____ and _____. An image is produced on the _____ at the back of the eye. Special cells detect the light and send a signal to the _____.



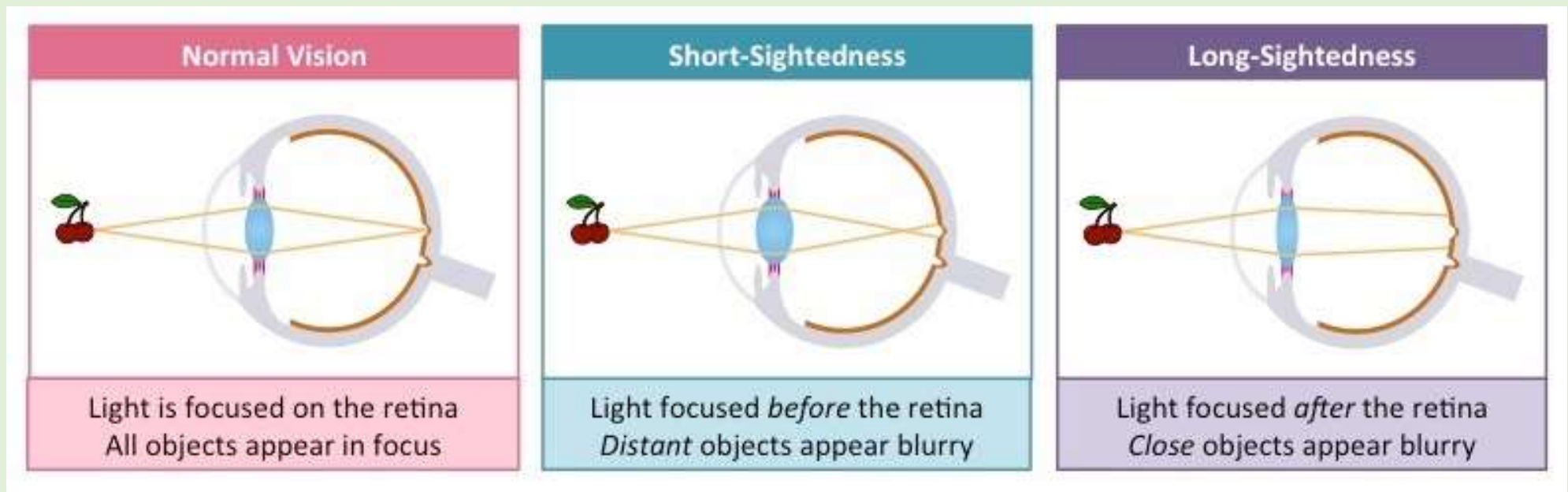
Word bank:

brain
cornea
retina
lens

Long and Short Sight

People may suffer from short or long – sightedness defects if the eye is the wrong shape or the muscles do not adjust the lens enough.

Both long and short sight can be corrected using **lenses**.



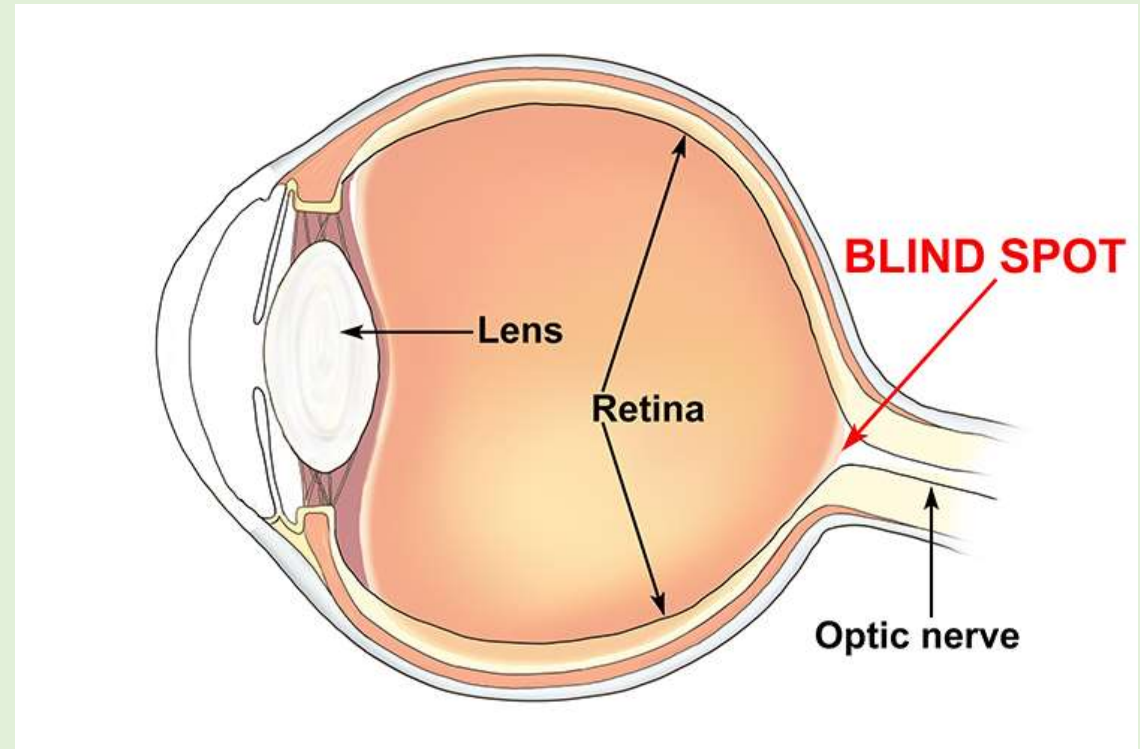
What is the blind spot?

Extension Task

The blind spot is the area on the retina without receptors that respond to light. Any image that falls on this region will NOT be seen.

It is in this region that the optic nerve exits the eye on its way to the brain.

You are not normally aware of it, but you can show it's there with a simple test....



Finding The Blind Spot

Try the activity as your teacher reads out the instructions

- Hold the card at eye level about an arm's length away. Make sure that the cross is on the right.
- Close your right eye and look directly at the cross with your left eye. Notice that you can also see the dot.

Mark a dot and a cross on a card as shown.



- Focus on the cross, but be aware of the dot as you slowly bring the card toward your face. The dot will disappear, and then reappear, as you bring the card toward your face. Try moving the card closer and farther to pinpoint exactly where this happens.
- Now close your left eye and look directly at the dot with your right eye. This time the cross will disappear and reappear as you bring the card slowly toward your face.
- Try the activity again, this time rotating the card so that the dot and cross are not directly across from each other. Are the results the same?

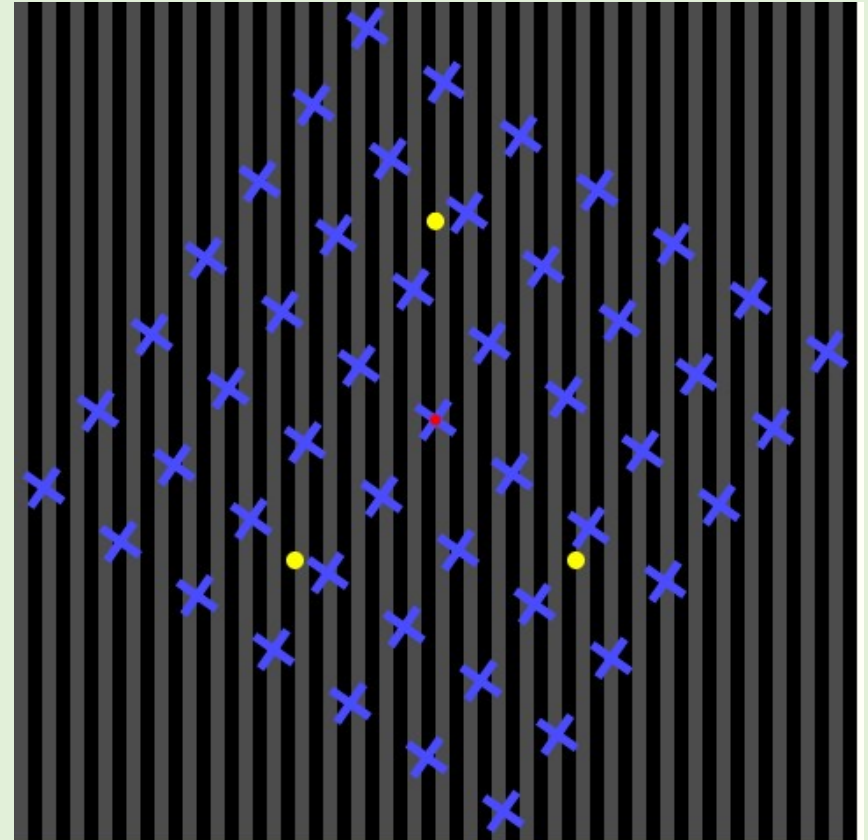
Motion Induced Blindness

Use the link to the website to watch the demo.

<https://michaelbach.de/ot/mot-mib/index.html>

Follow the instructions....

What did you learn?

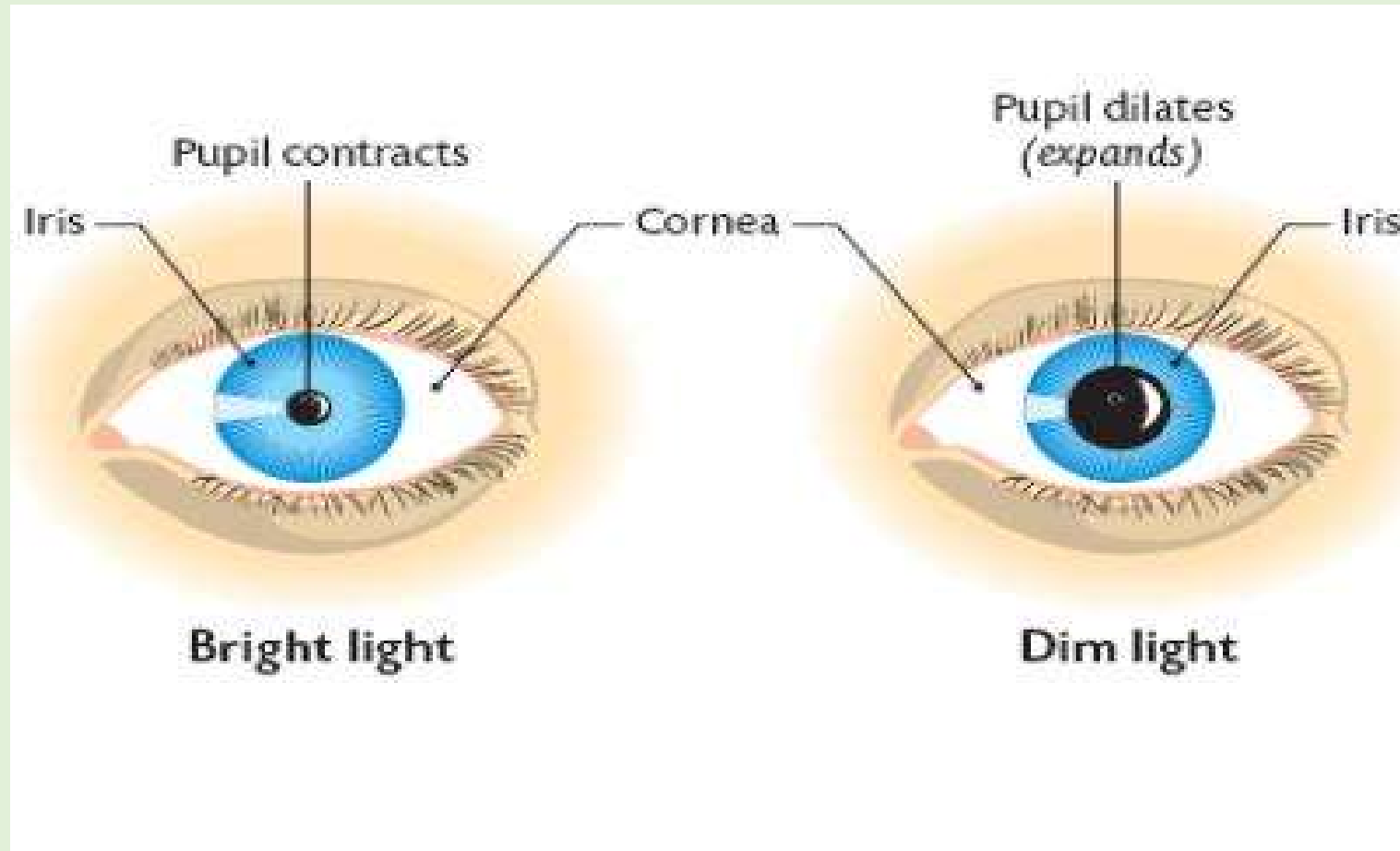


How the Pupil Reacts to Light

Extension Task:

- You must work with a partner to do this.
- Sit facing your partner.
- Your teacher will turn off the room lights. You will need a few seconds for your eyes to adjust to the dim light.
- When your teacher says, look directly into the eyes of your partner.
- When the lights go on, what do you notice?

How the Pupil Reacts to Light



Eye Dissection

Your teacher will demonstrate an eye dissection

What did you learn from the eye dissection?

Instructions Here:

https://www.exploratorium.edu/learning_studio/cow_eye/doit.html



Eye Dissection

[Cow's Eye Dissection | Exploratorium – 8:05](#)



Eye Dissection

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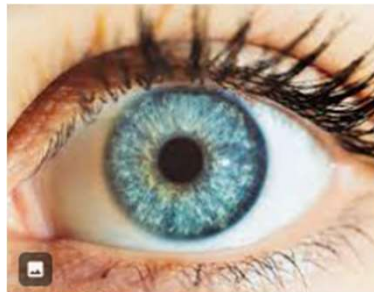
What did you learn from the eye dissection?

The Eye

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Plenary:

1. Why do you think we don't notice that we have a blind spot in each eye?
2. When we say someone has “blue eyes”, what part of the eye are we talking about?



Success Criteria

- ☐ I can explain what the ‘blind spot’ is.
- ☐ I can describe how the pupil reacts to light.

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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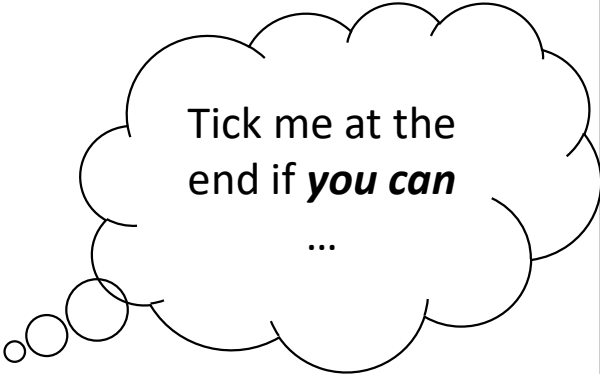
1. What part of the eye is responsible for turning light into electrical impulses?
2. What part of the eye is responsible for controlling the size of the pupil?
3. What name is given to the area of the retina where the optic nerve leaves for the brain?

Learning Intentions:

- To learn that a visible spectrum is formed when light travels through a prism.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can describe what happens when white light travels through a prism.
- ☐ I can state the colours of the visible spectrum.



Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

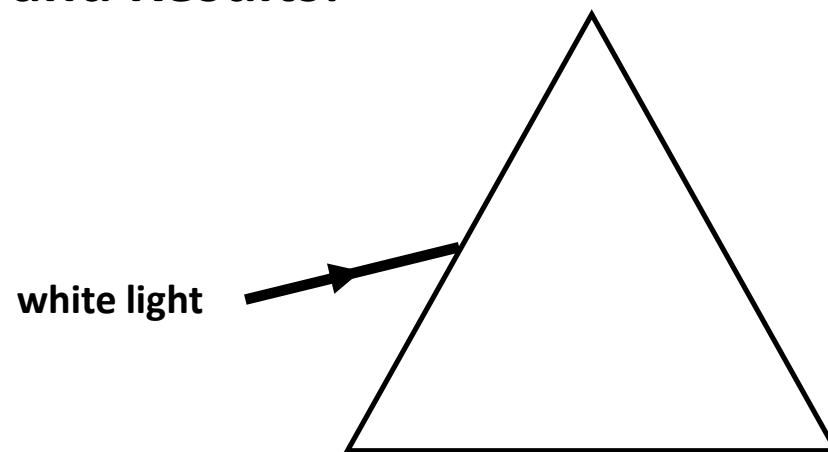
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Triangular Prism

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Aim: To investigate what happens when white light travels through a triangular prism.

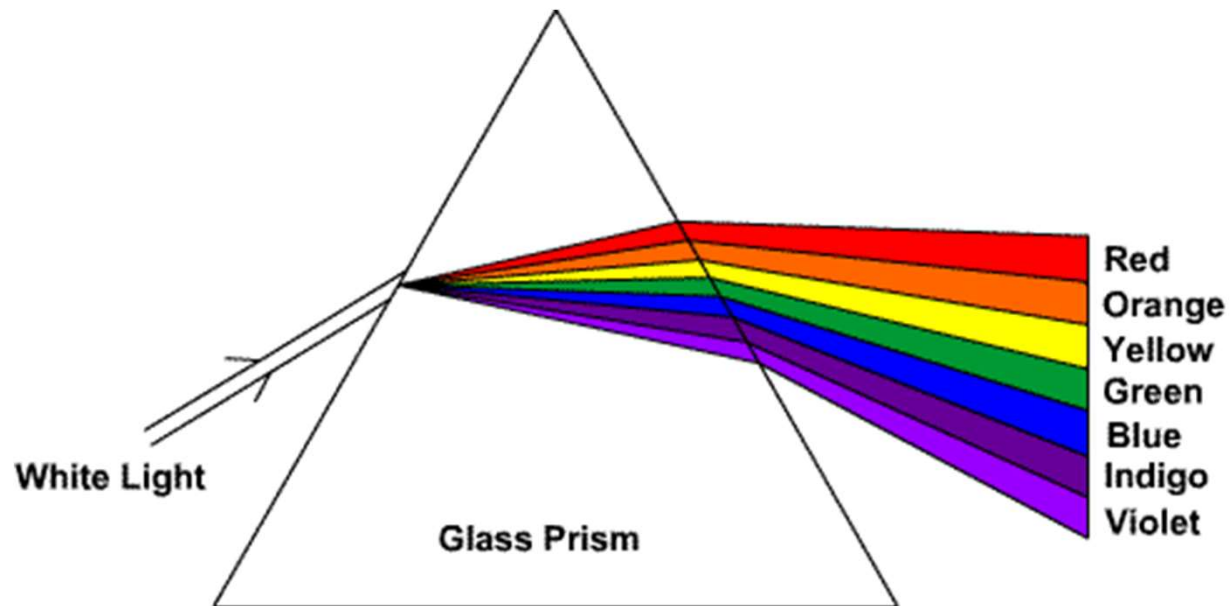
Method and Results:



Triangular Prism

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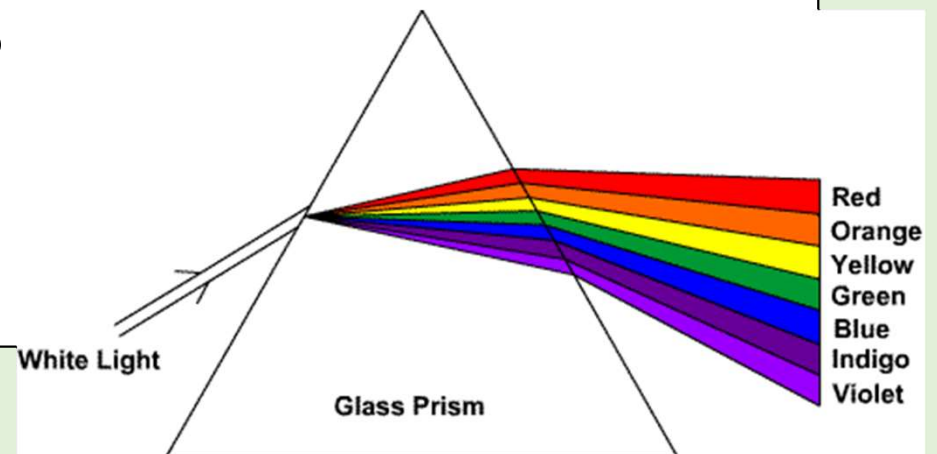


Triangular Prism

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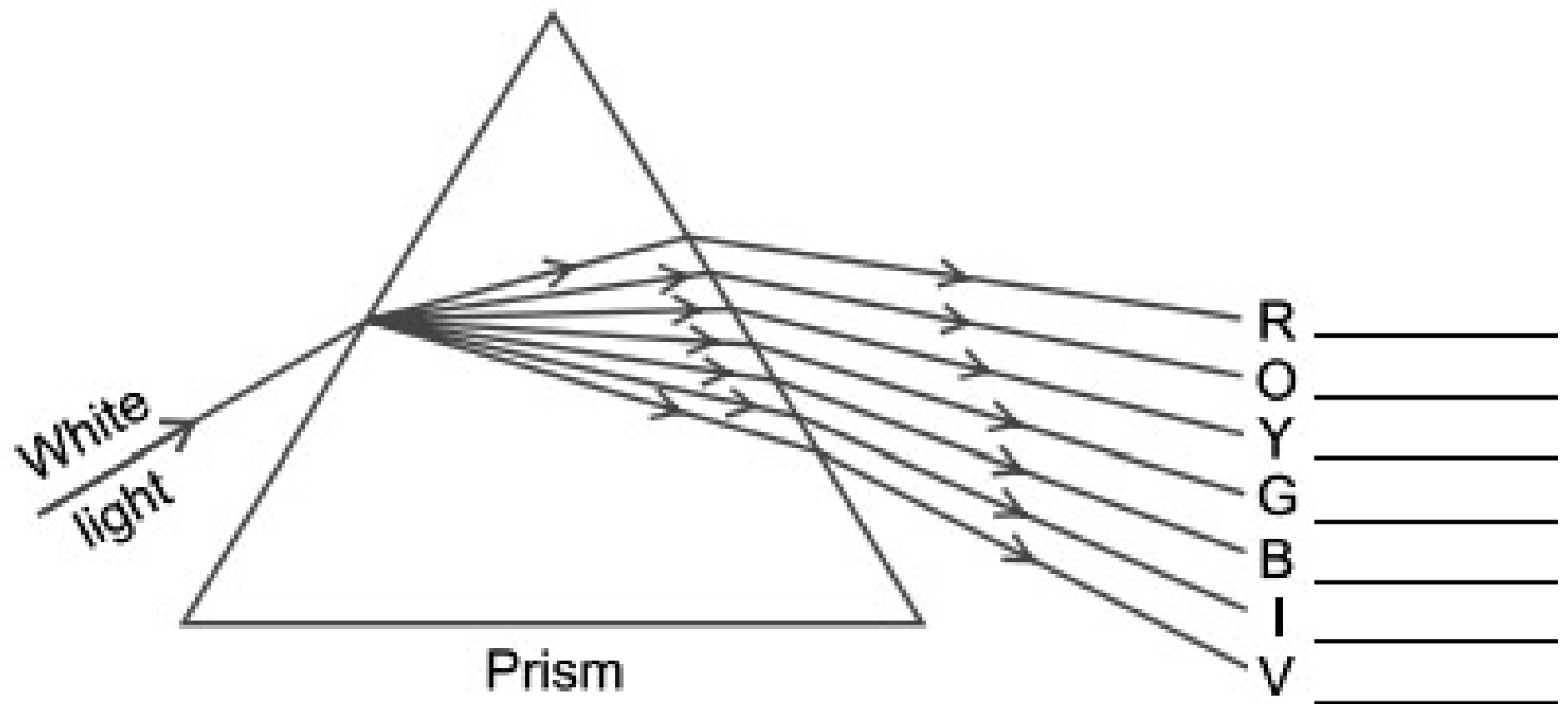
Conclusions:

1. What happens to the direction of the beam of light?
2. What name is given to this change of direction?
3. What happens to the colour of the beam of white light?
4. Is white light only one colour, or many?

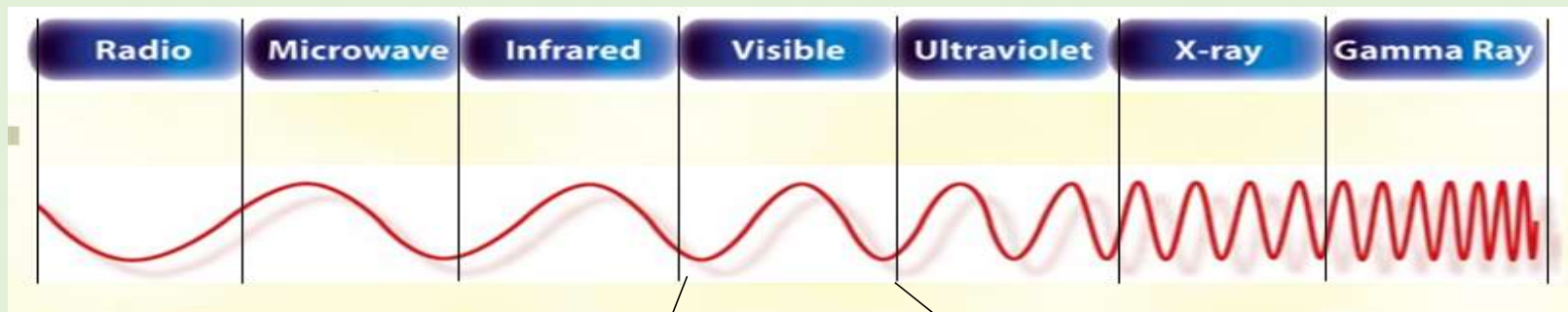


Triangular Prism

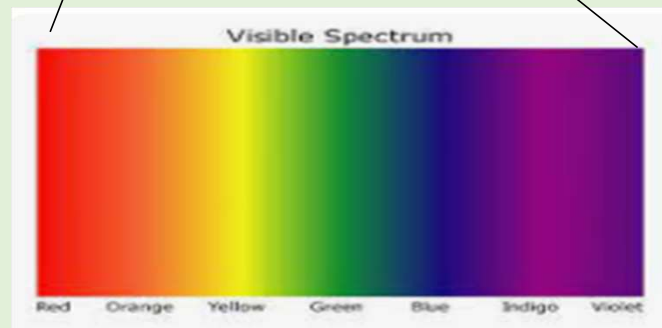
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Spectrum Of Visible Light



Visible light is not just one colour, it is a range of colours. Visible light has its own **spectrum**.



Longest wavelength

Shortest wavelength

Spectrum Of Visible Light

White light contains all the colours of the visible spectrum.

Red refracts/bends least and violet refracts/bends the most.



Spectrum Of Visible Light

Red R

Orange O

Yellow Y

Green G

Blue B

Indigo I

Violet V

Remember the colours of the spectrum using the phrase:
Richard Of York Gave Battle In Vain

Another helpful method is the abbreviation:
ROY G BIV

Make up your own mnemonic to remember the colours of the visible spectrum.

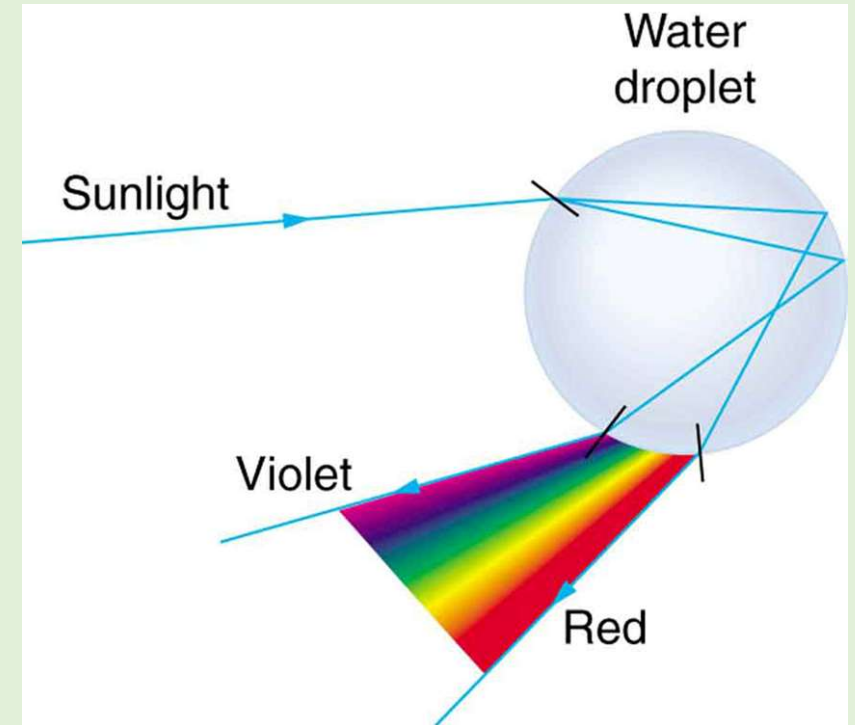
Water droplets act as prisms to make a rainbow.



Your teacher will let you watch an advert that uses the song “I can sing a rainbow”.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WNeOW4Kvs-Q>

Listen carefully to the song to spot any scientific mistakes you hear in the song.



Colours

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Plenary:

1. What kind of weather conditions are needed for a very distinct reflection like this?
2. Why do you think those conditions are needed to see a distinct reflection in water?



Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state that a visible spectrum is formed when light travels through a prism.
- ☐ I can state the colours of the visible spectrum.

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Starter:

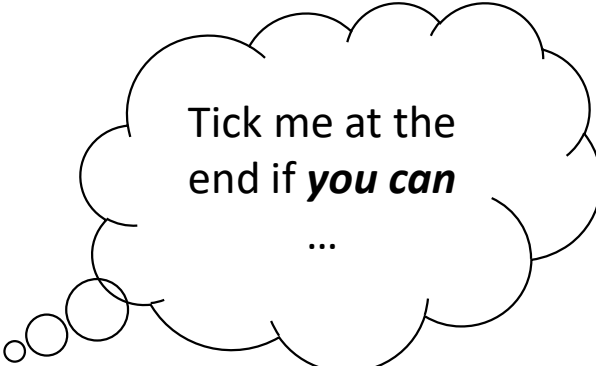
1. What happens to white light when it passes through a prism?
2. List the colours of the visible spectrum in order starting with the longest wavelength - **red**.

Learning Intentions:

- To learn how mixing colours can produce white light and other colours.

Success Criteria

- ☐ To name the primary and secondary colours of light
- ☐ To learn what colour blindness is.



Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Mixing Coloured Light

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If we can make a spectrum by dispersing white light, can we create white light by mixing up a full spectrum?

Activity:

Colour mixing demonstration.



Mixing Coloured Light

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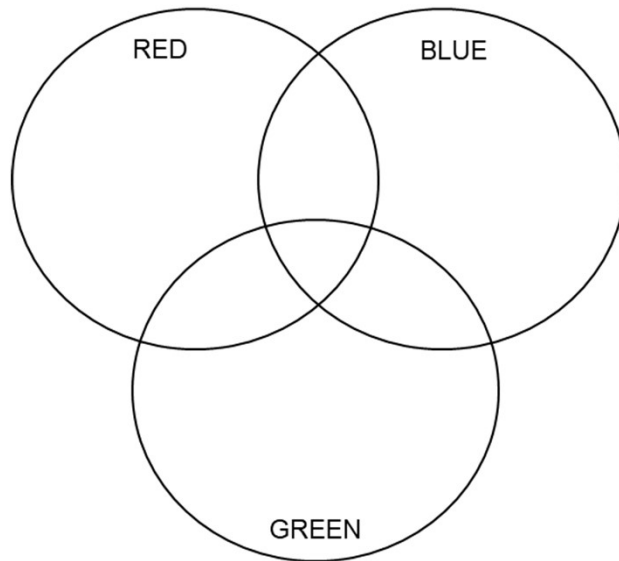
Aim: To investigate what happens when coloured light is mixed.



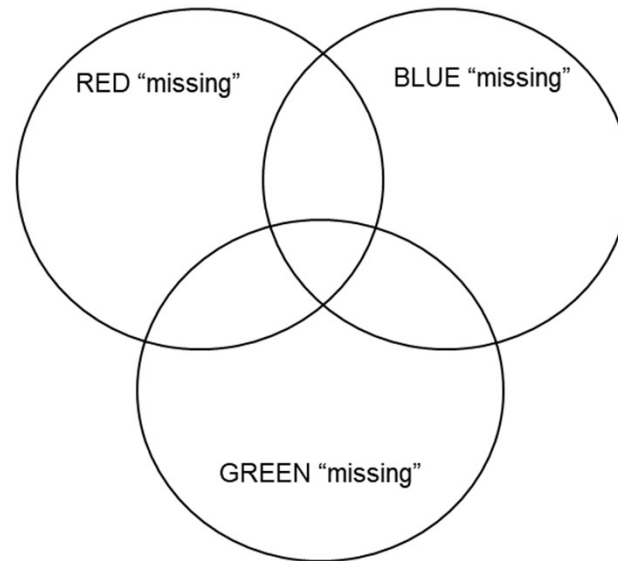
Mixing Coloured Light

Results:

COLOUR ADDITION

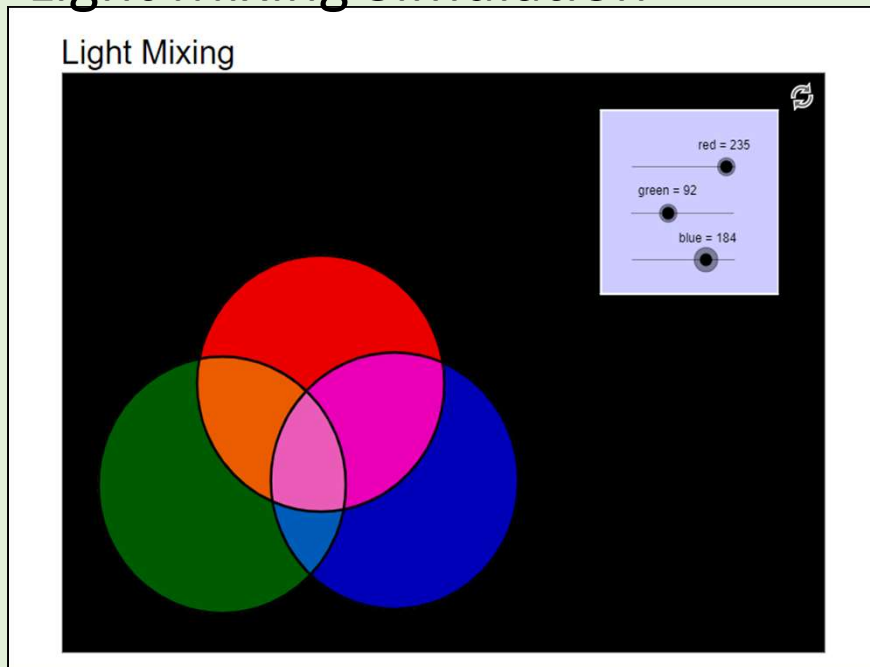


COLOUR SUBTRACTION

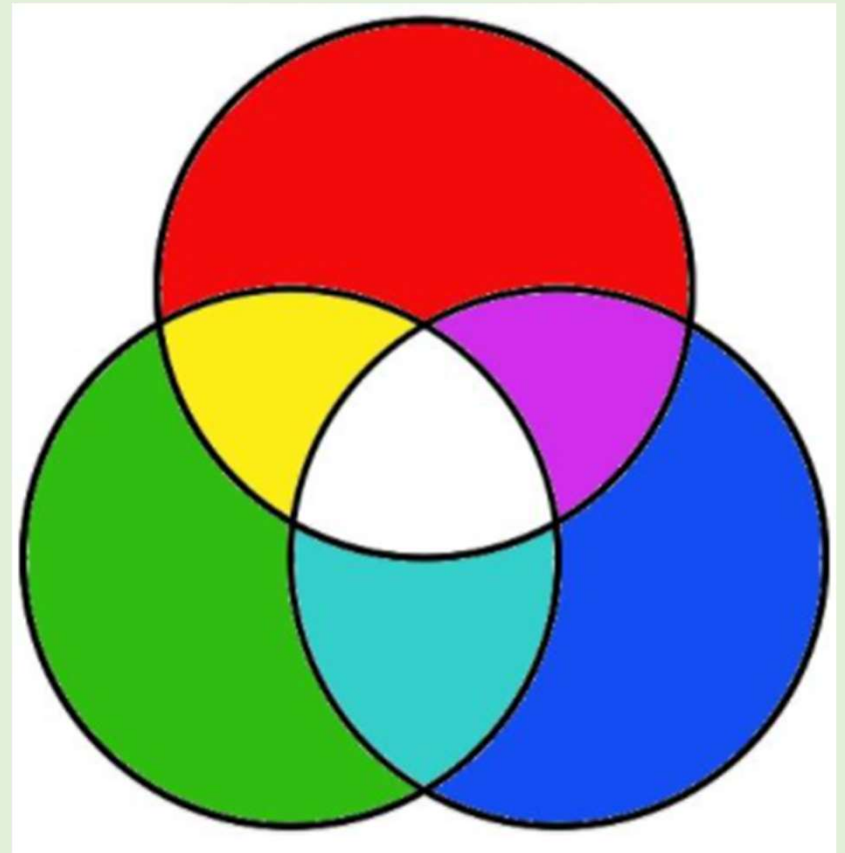


Mixing Coloured Light

Light Mixing Simulation



<https://ophysics.com/l1.html>



Mixing Coloured Light

Conclusion:

The primary colours of light are red, blue and green

The secondary colours of light are yellow, cyan and magenta

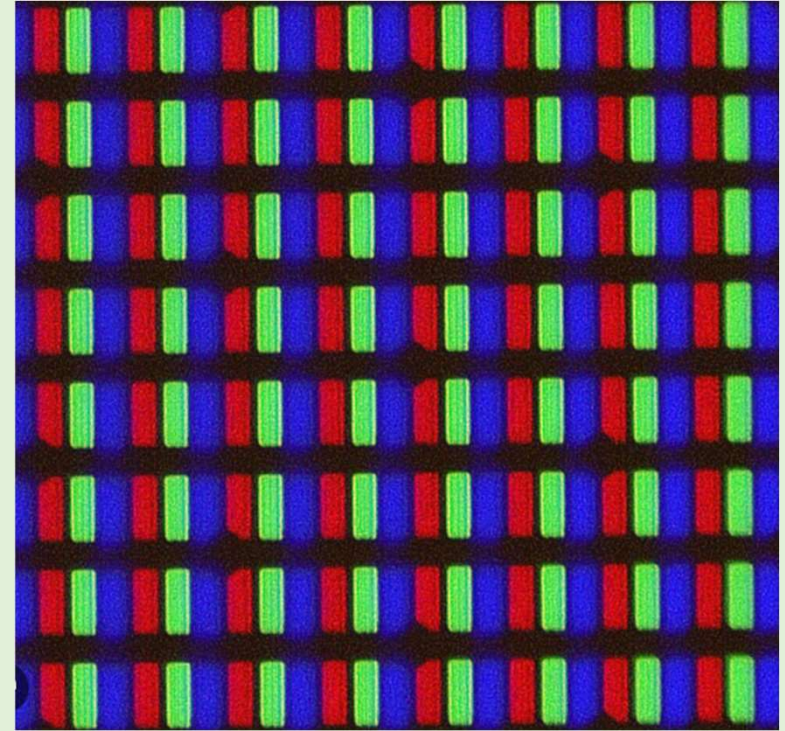
white light can be made by adding together equal parts of red, green and blue light.



Mixing Coloured Light

The picture show an extreme close-up of a mobile phone screen.

From a normal distance this looks white



1. How many colours are needed to get the full colour picture you get on a phone?
2. What happens on the phone screen to make up all the different colours the screen can produce?

Colour Blindness

There are almost three million colour blind people in the UK - that is enough to fill Wembley stadium more than 30 times.

The NHS describes colour vision deficiency as when someone finds it difficult to identify and distinguish between certain colours.



Autumn can be frustrating when the reds and greens just look like rusty brown

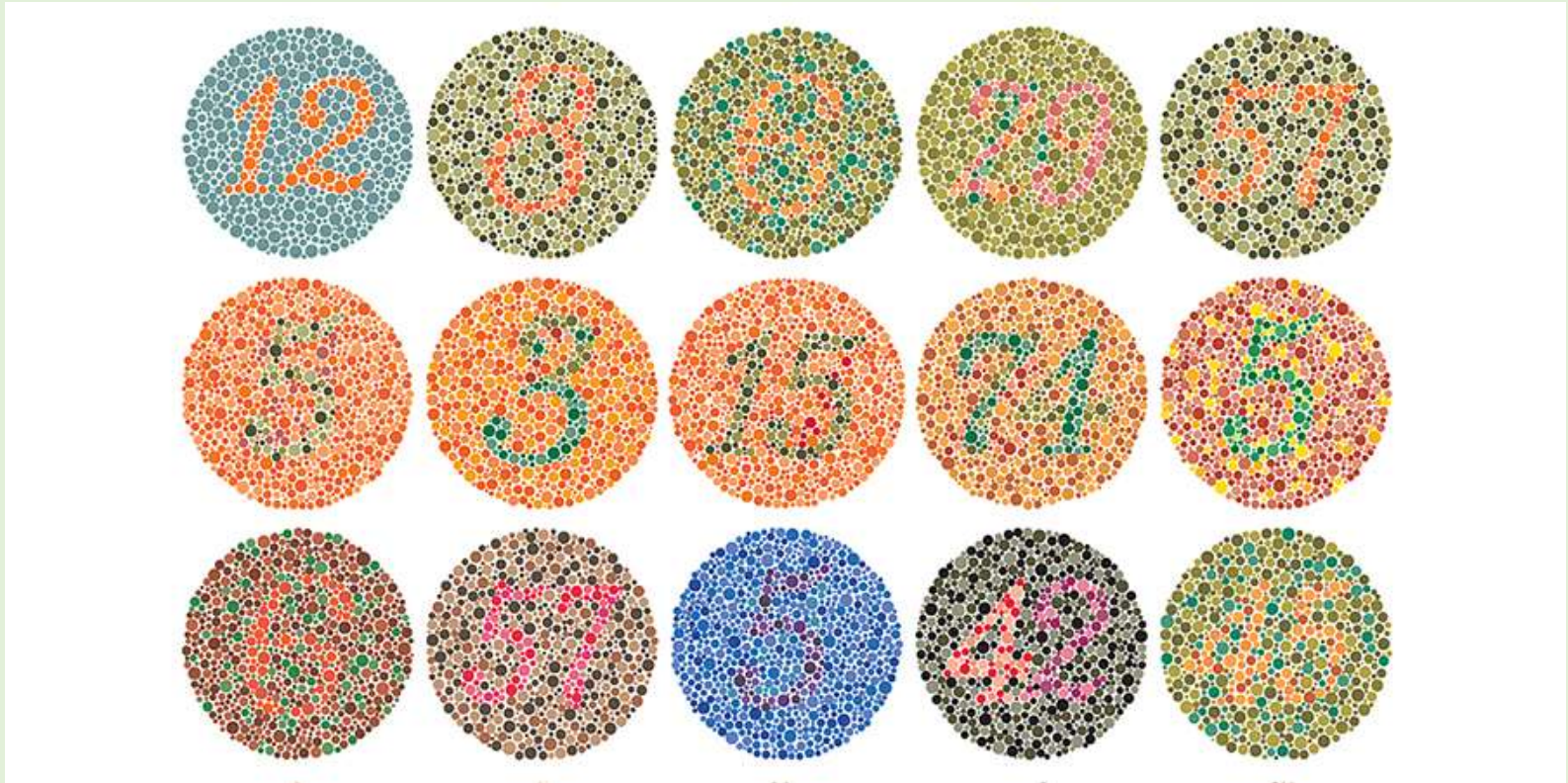


For people who are colour blind, it can be difficult to differentiate between ripe and unripe foods



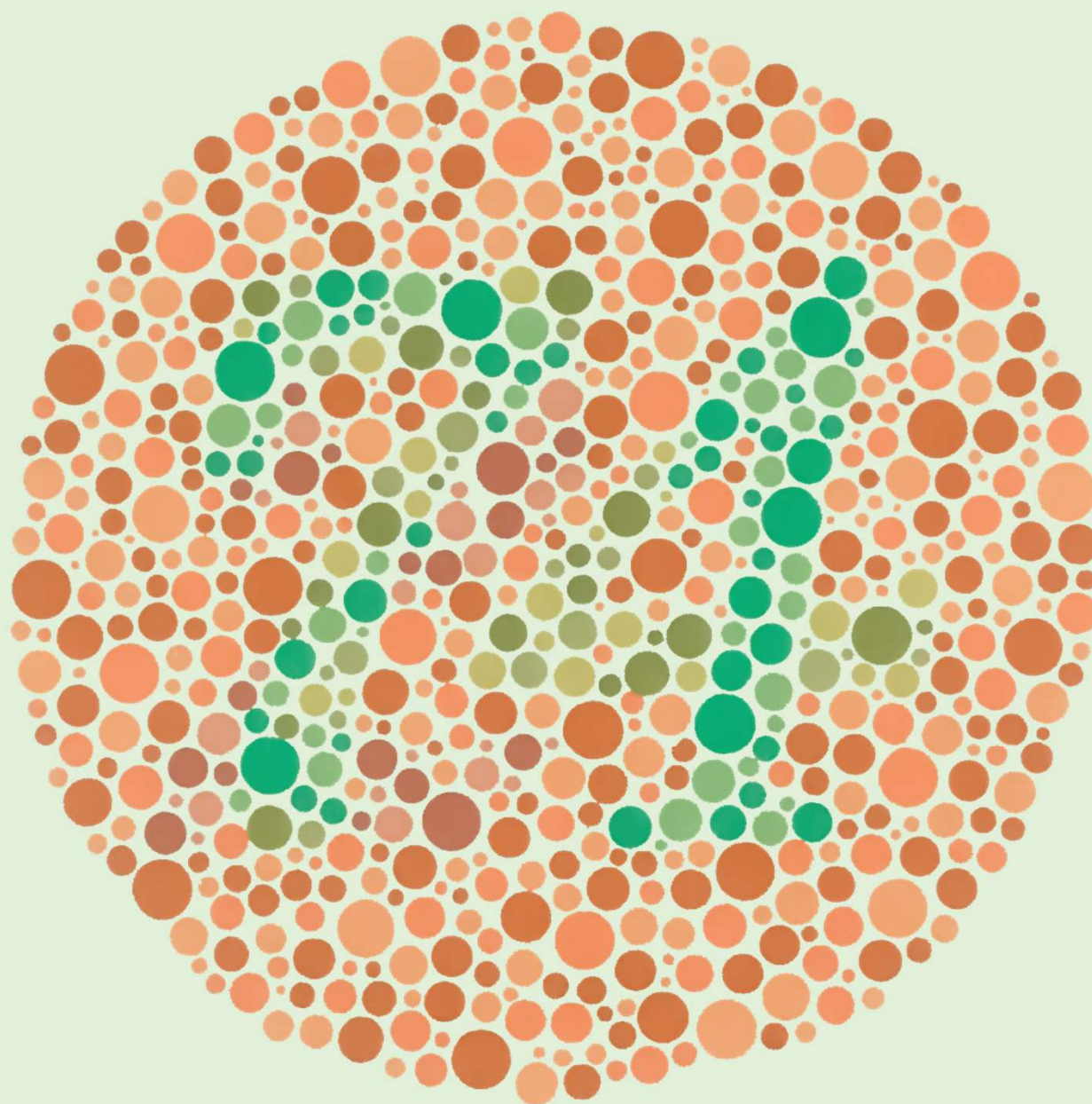
For people who are colour blind, it can be difficult to differentiate between kits that are close in colour

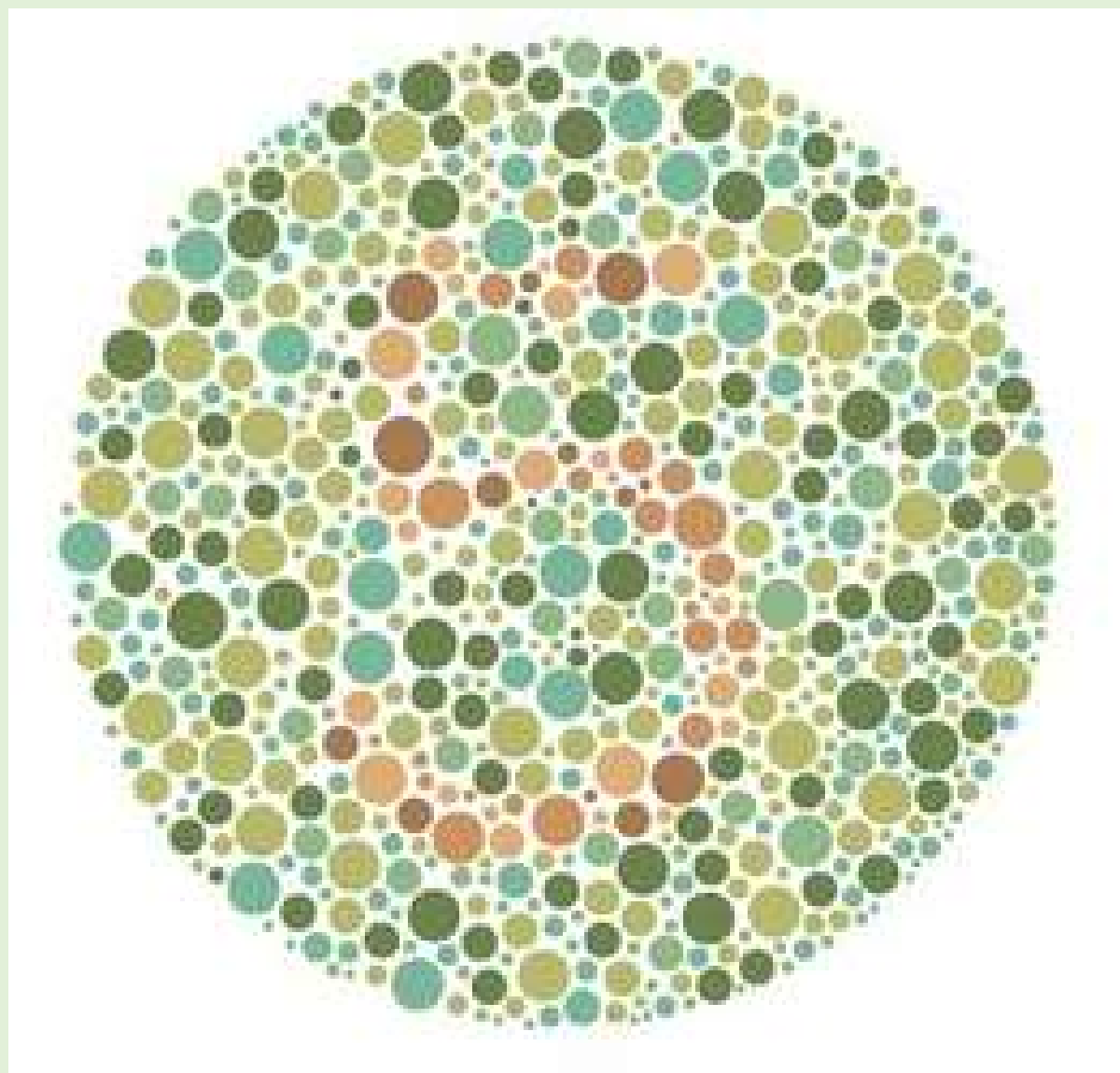
In a colour vision deficiency test you are asked to identify the number or symbol inside the circle.

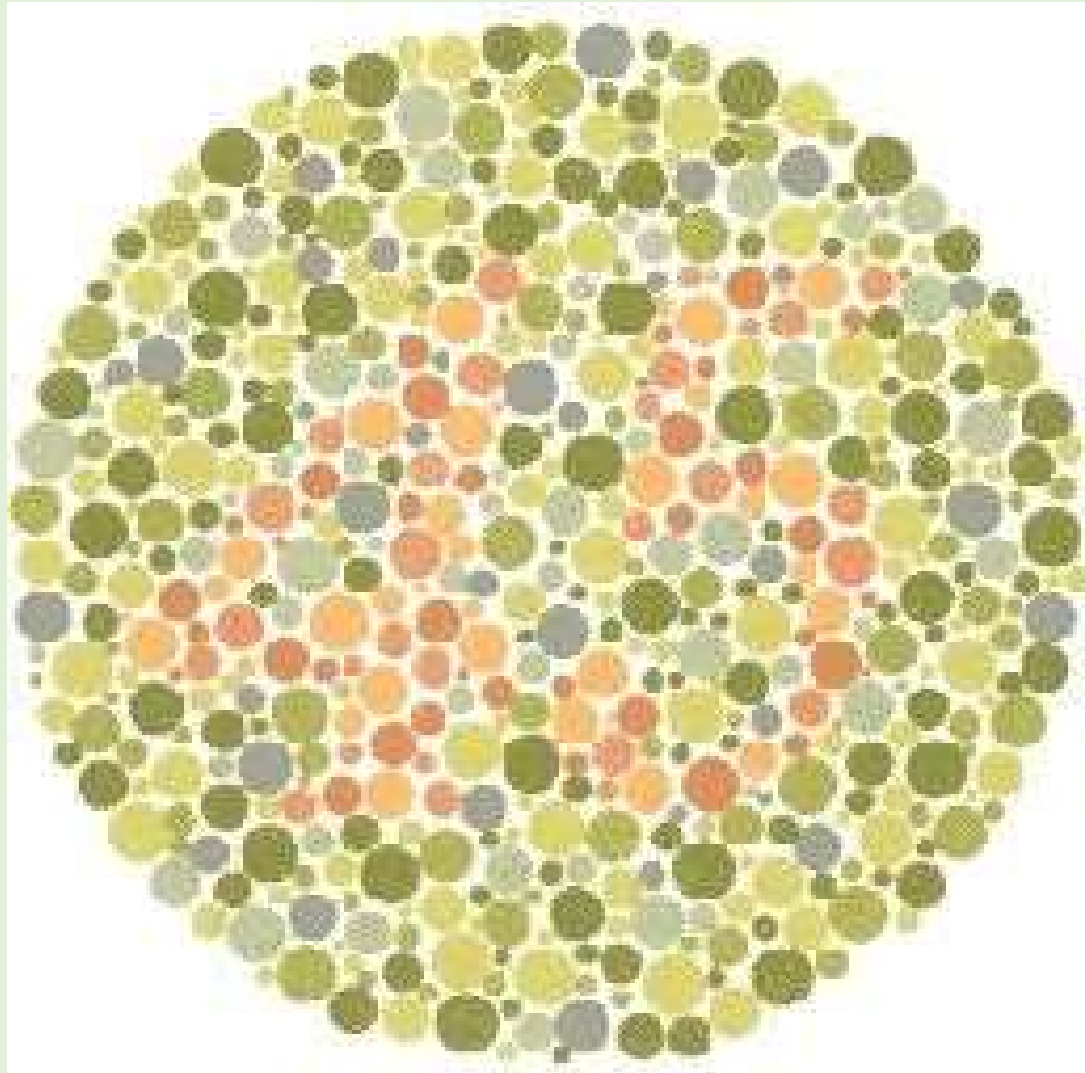


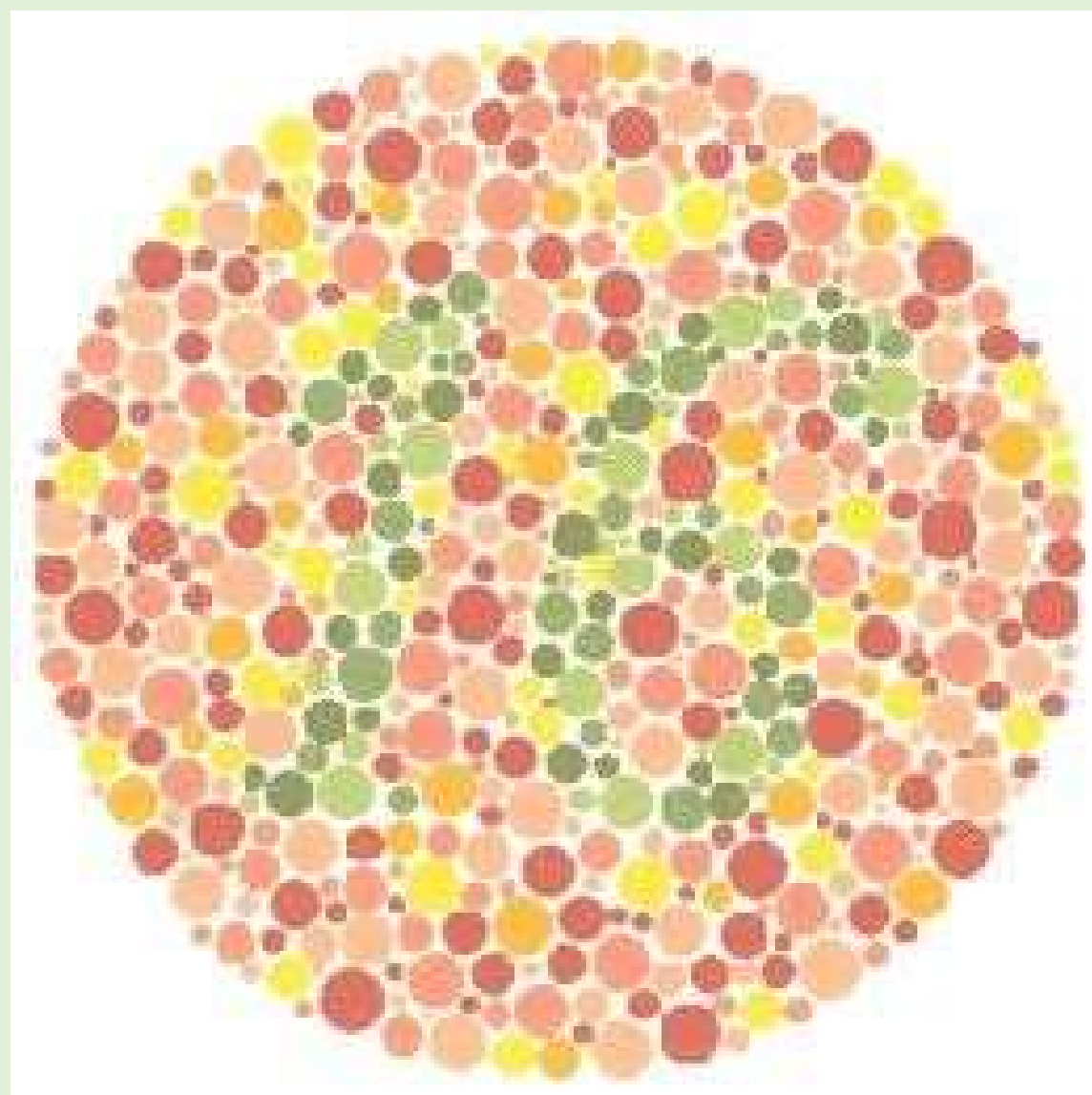
There are many tests available to measure colour vision defects but the most common is the Ishihara Plate test

Let's try a few.....









Colour Blindness

Watch this [video](#) about the reasons for colour blindness.



- Colour blindness is when someone finds it difficult to identify and distinguish between certain colours.
- It is caused by faults in the colour receptive cones in the retina of the eye.

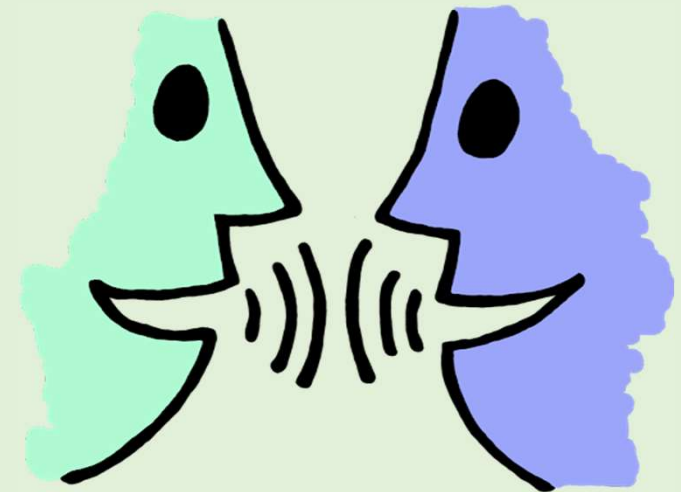
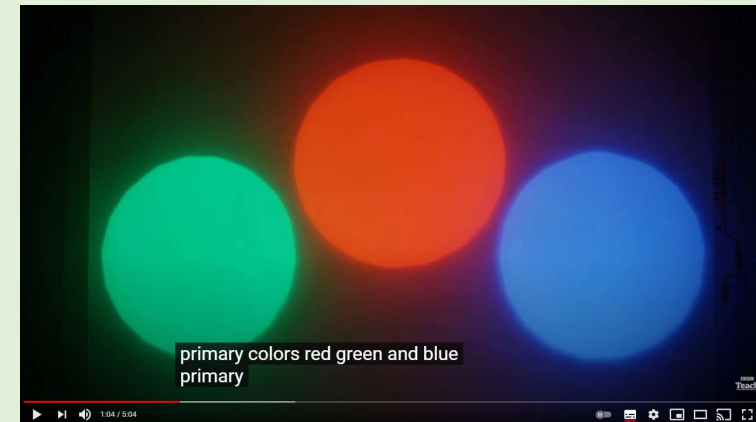
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[How do light waves make colour? | Physics - Wave World](#) – 5:04

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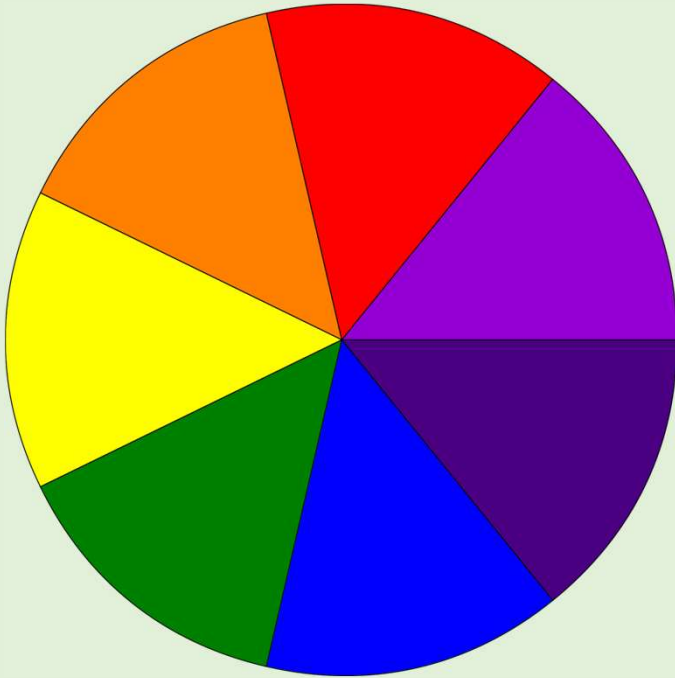
Write down 3 pieces of information from the video.

Be prepared to share what you learned with the class!



Extension

Newton's Colour Wheel



Instructions:

<https://www.fizzicseducation.com.au/150-science-experiments/light-sound-experiments/newton-colour-wheel/>

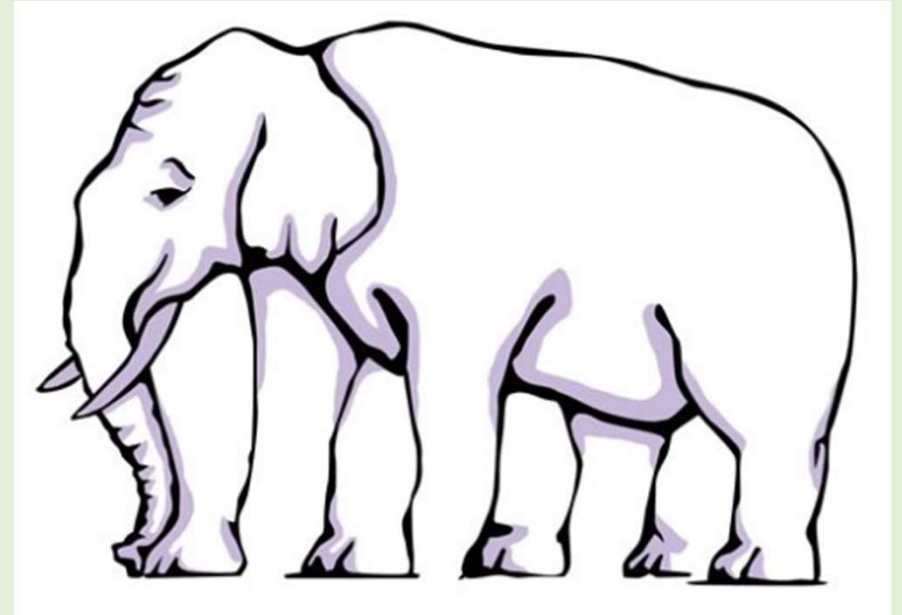
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Plenary:

This is a well-known optical illusion.

Is it because your **eyes** are fooled that the trick works?



Success Criteria

- ☐ To learn how mixing colours can produce white light and other colours
- ☐ To learn what colour blindness is.

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Starter:

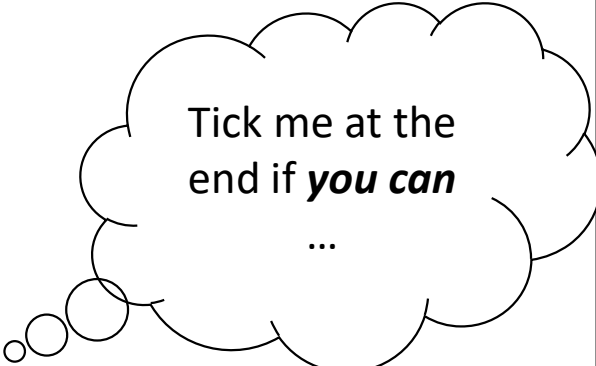
1. Name the three primary colours of light?
2. How is white light produced?

Learning Intentions:

- To learn how coloured light affects the appearance of different coloured objects.

Success Criteria

- I can describe how coloured light affects the appearance of different coloured objects.
- I can plan and carry out a scientific investigation
- I can calculate an average



Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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The Stroop Test

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Aim: To name the colour of the ink the words are printed in, while ignoring the actual word meaning.

Example: **RED** **GREEN** **BLUE**

BLUE **RED** **GREEN**

The Stroop Test

Method: Working in pairs

1. Collect two cards – TASK A and TASK B
2. The task is to name the colour of the ink the words are written in as fast as possible.
3. Complete two cards, TASK A then TASK B
4. Your partner will check that the correct response has been given and record the time in seconds on a stopwatch.
5. Swap roles and complete the activity again.


Results (group):

Name	Task A time (seconds):	Task B time (seconds):

STROOP EFFECT

TASK A


RED	BLACK
BLUE	BROWN
GREEN	BLUE
ORANGE	RED
BROWN	YELLOW
BLACK	ORANGE
RED	GREEN
YELLOW	BLACK
BLUE	RED
GREEN	BROWN



STROOP EFFECT

TASK B

BROWN	BLUE
BLACK	RED
RED	ORANGE
GREEN	YELLOW
YELLOW	BLUE
ORANGE	BLACK
RED	BROWN
BROWN	RED
BLUE	BLUE
BLACK	GREEN



The Stroop Test

Results (group):

Name	Task A time (seconds):	Task B time (seconds):

The Stroop Test

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Results (class):

Average time for task A:

Average time for task B:

[illegible]

The Stroop Test

Conclusion: What task was easier / quicker to complete? Why?

Evaluation:





Think about: Are there any groups of people it would not work with? What could we investigate further?

The Stroop Test

Discussion:

Speed of Processing Theory: the interference occurs because words are read faster than colours are named.

Selective Attention Theory: the interference occurs because naming colours requires more attention than reading words.

	Condition A	Condition B
Stimulus		
Response	 <i>fast response</i>	 <i>slow response</i>

The Stroop Effect occurs because reading has become an automatic process for most of us. Even though we have been instructed to just name the colour of the ink, we cannot switch off reading the word. Therefore in task B we read first and then identify the colour, as they conflict this causes cognitive interference, taking extra time.

The Stroop Test

Plenary: Name the shape



Success Criteria

- To learn how coloured light affects the appearance of different coloured objects.

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Starter:

How many animals do you see in the image?

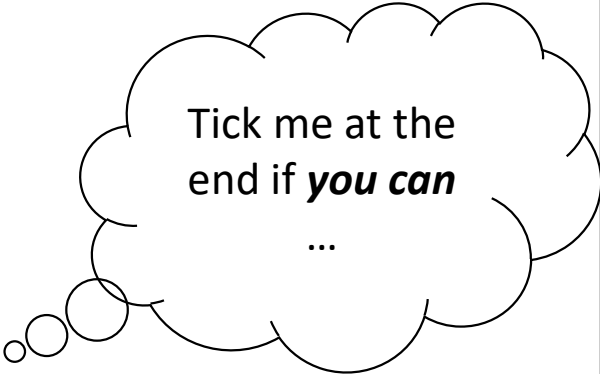


Learning Intentions:

- To explain that our brain can be tricked by optical illusions.

Success Criteria

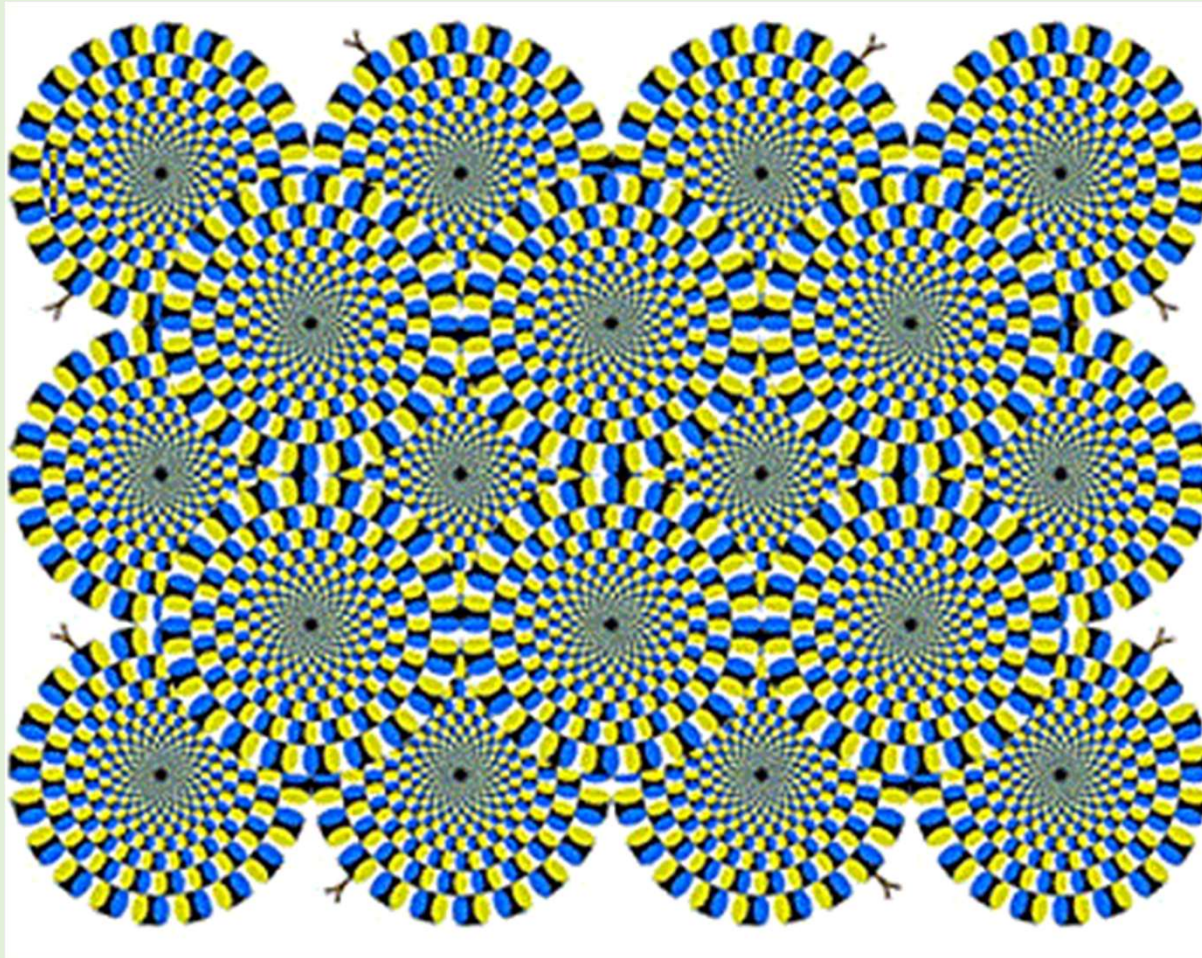
☐ I can explain that our brain can be tricked by optical illusions.



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end if ***you can***

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Seeing is believing.....

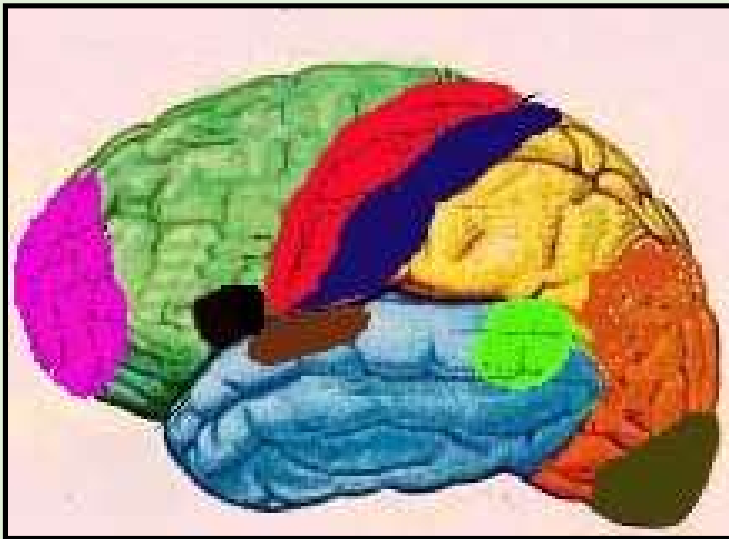


.....or, is it?





Perception is the process by which the brain analyses and makes sense of incoming sensory information.



The brain uses tricks to interpret data quickly:

- Past experience
- Gathering tricks

Optical Illusions

- Your teacher will show you some optical illusions where the eyes are deceived by something that is not what it seems.
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Dragons



<http://www.urduret.com/Optical/Illusions.html>

Dragons – Instructions

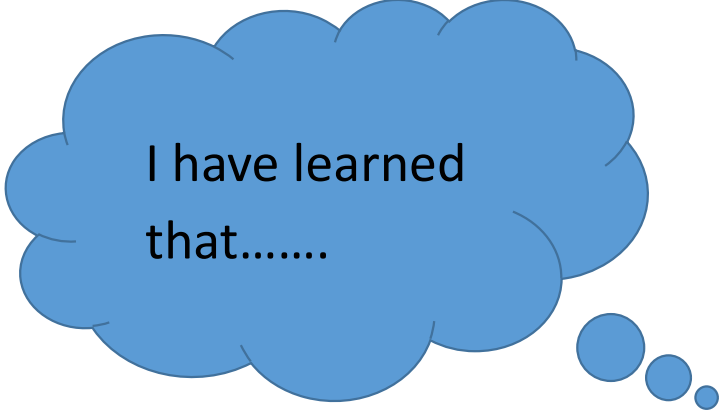
- Try to make a video of your dragon!



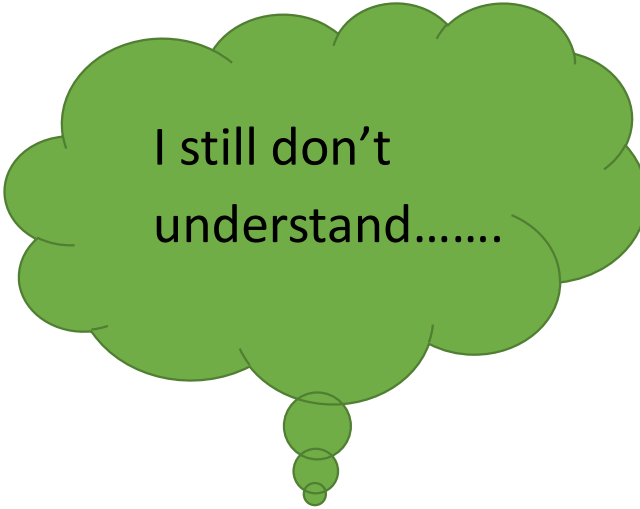
Optical Illusions

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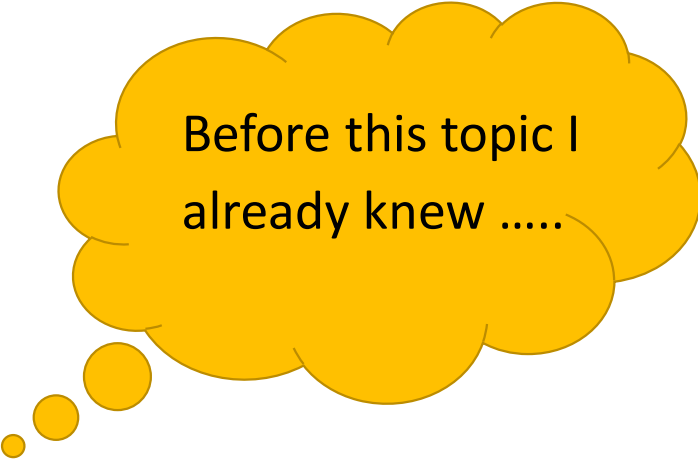
Plenary: For the whole topic of light...



I have learned
that.....



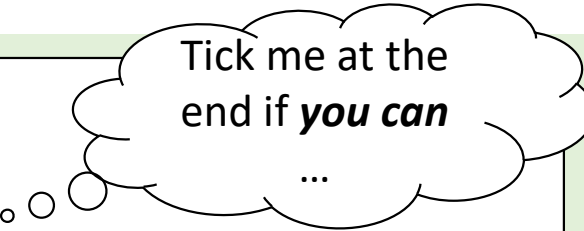
I still don't
understand.....



Before this topic I
already knew

Success Criteria

- ☐ To explain that our brain can be tricked by optical illusions.



Tick me at the
end if ***you can***
...

Plenary Talk Placemat

Today I have learnt
that

**Be a reflective
learner.**

The skills I used in
today's lesson
were...
I could also use
these skills in....

I would like to find
out more
information about....

**Discuss with a partner
before you share it
with the class.**

One thing I need to
remember from
today's lesson is...

Before this lesson I
could already...

Three key words I have
learned today are...

I was successful
today when I...

- [How Do We See? | Operation Ouch | Science for Kids](#) (21:26)

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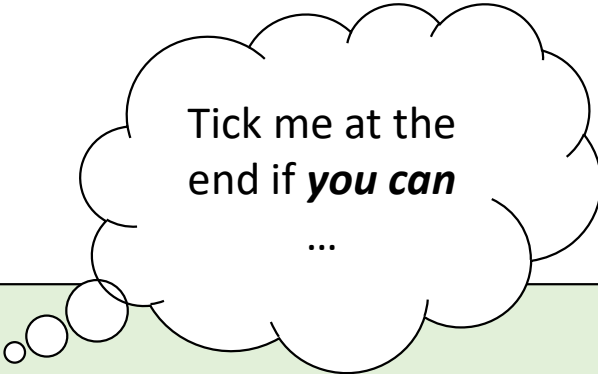
1. Sketch a wave you might see at the seaside.
2. What words can you use to describe it?

Learning Intentions:

- State that light is a wave that transfers energy.
- Learn how wavelength is related to the energy the waves carry.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can identify the wavelength of a wave.
- ☐ I can state that shorter wavelengths of EM Waves carry more energy.
- ☐ I can state that light is part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

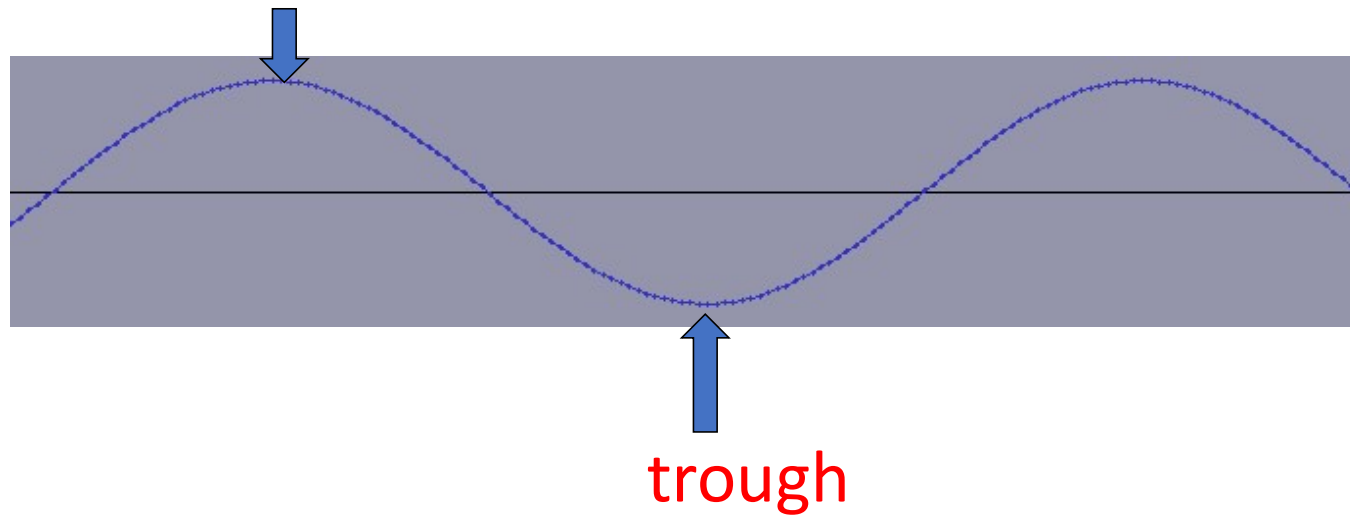


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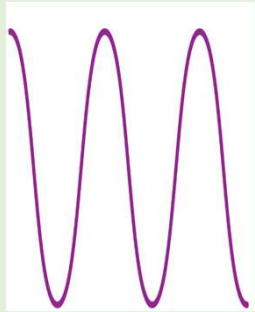
Waves

Light is an example of a wave. Just like waves in the sea, they have two parts.

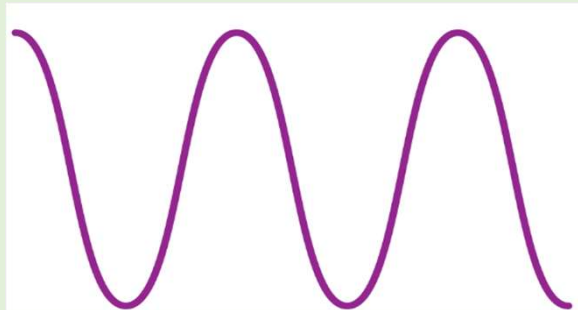


Waves

Waves can be bunched up

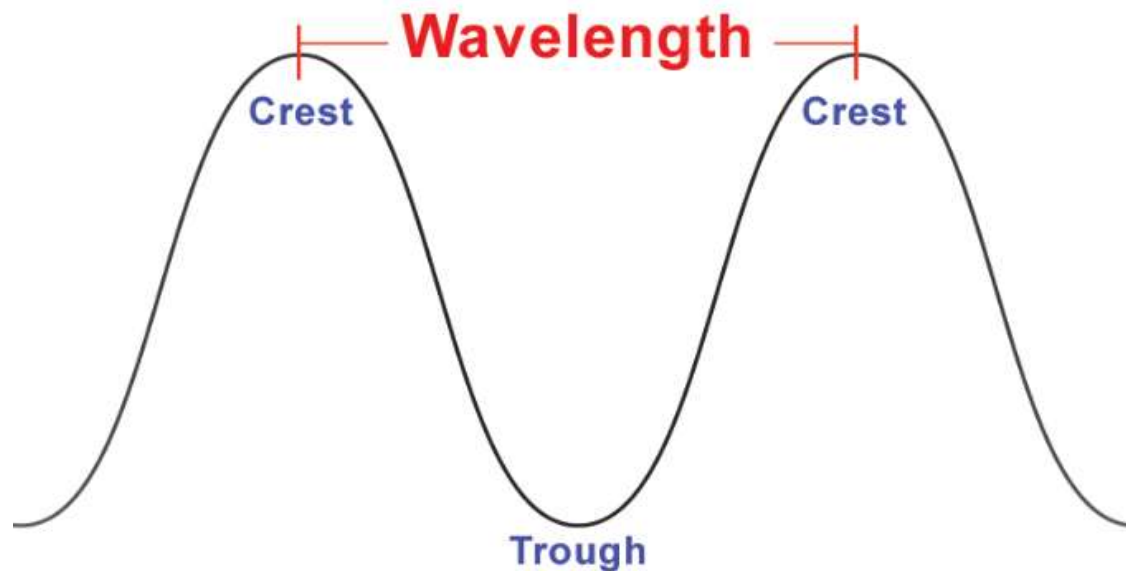


Or stretched out

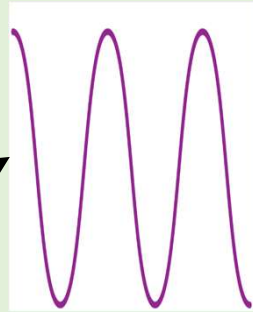


Wavelength

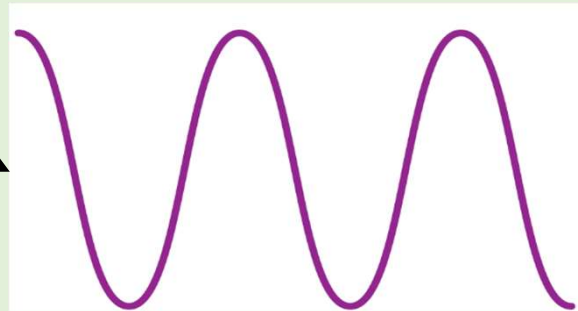
A wavelength is the length of ONE wave, in metres.



Wavelength

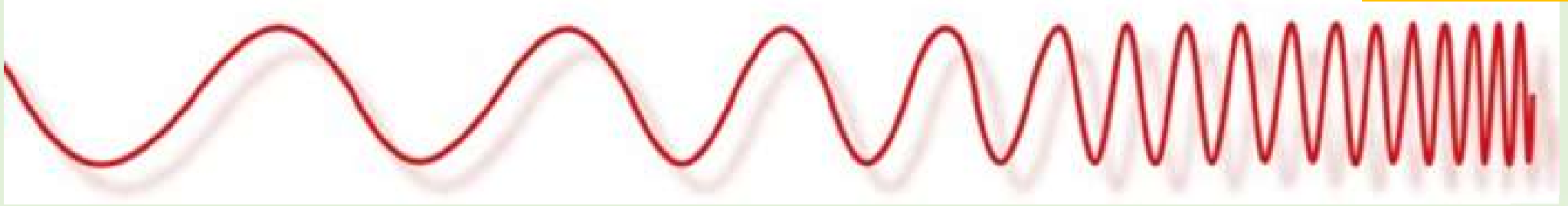


The top wave has a shorter (smaller) **wavelength** than the bottom wave.



Wavelength

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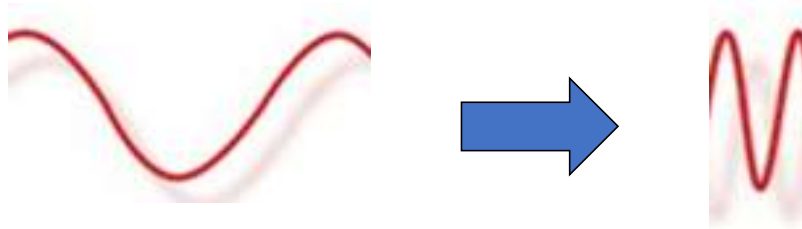
Class questions:

1. As you move from left to right, what is it about the wave that changes?

The wavelength

2. In what way does it change?

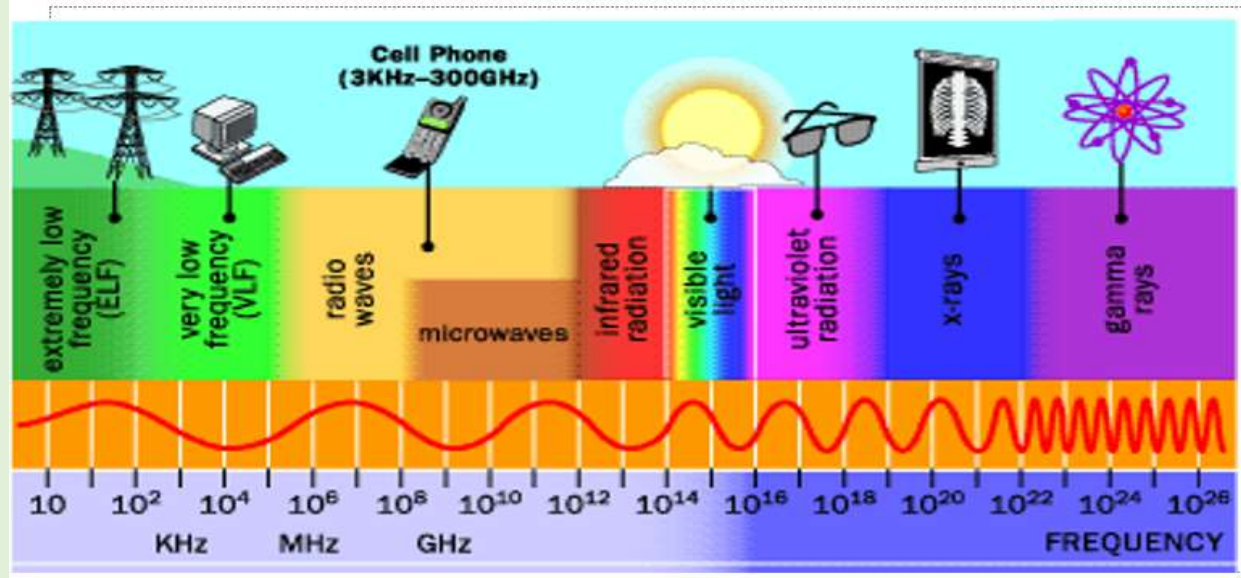
It gets shorter



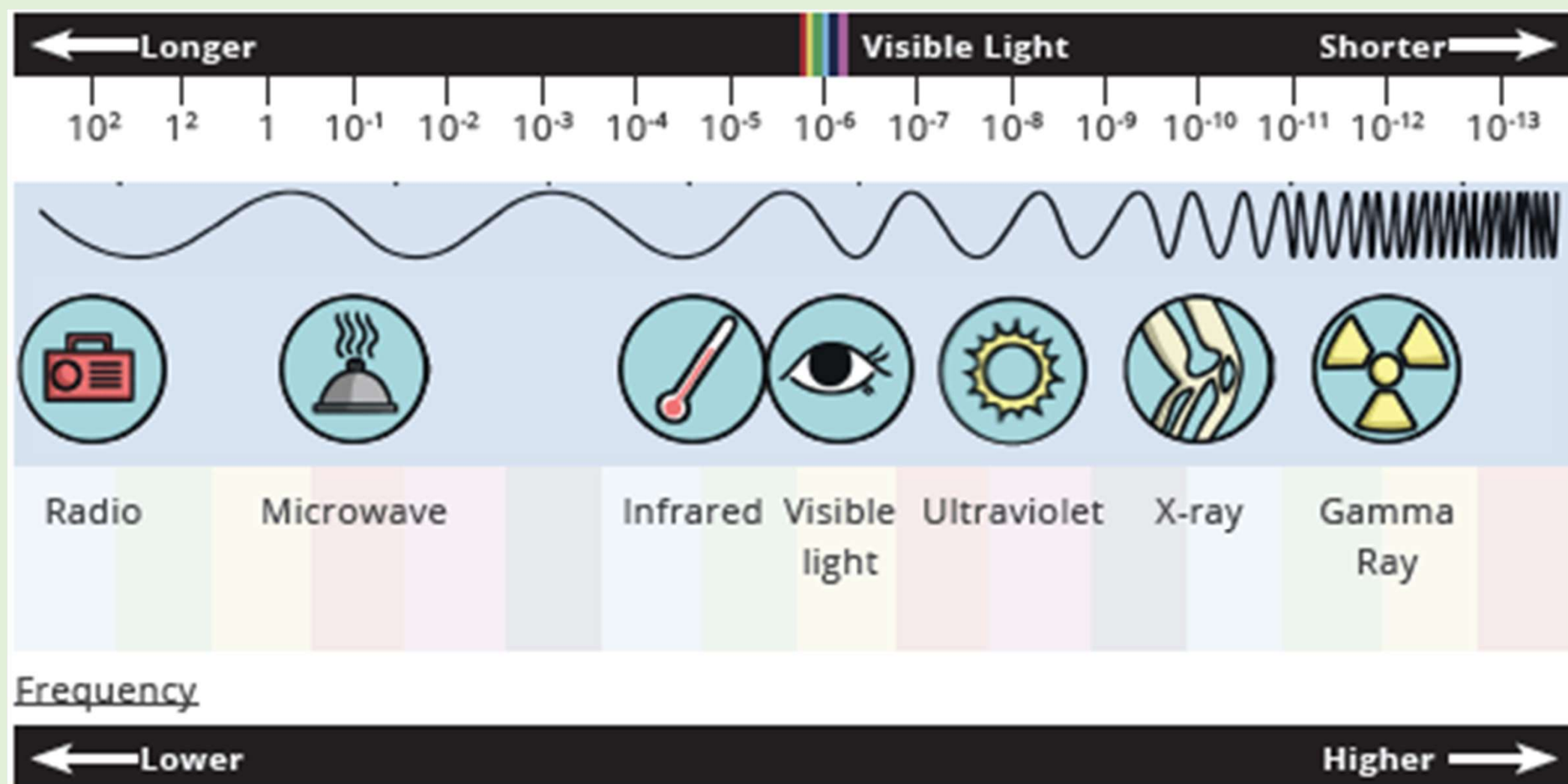
Light is a Wave

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Light is part of a family of waves called the **electromagnetic spectrum**. This is shortened to the EM spectrum.

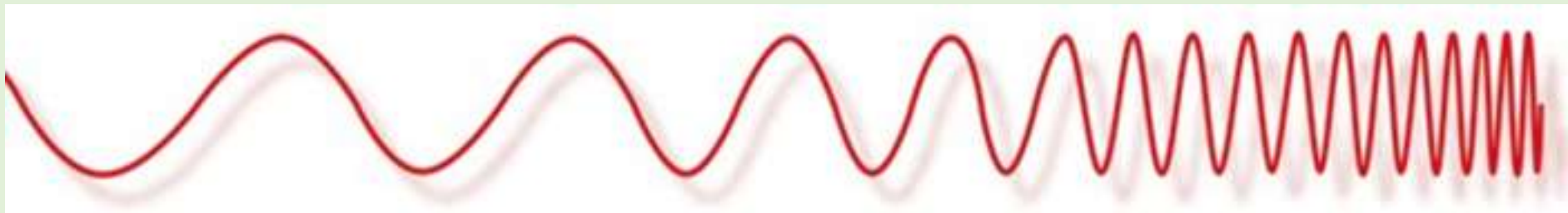


Watch the [Video](#)



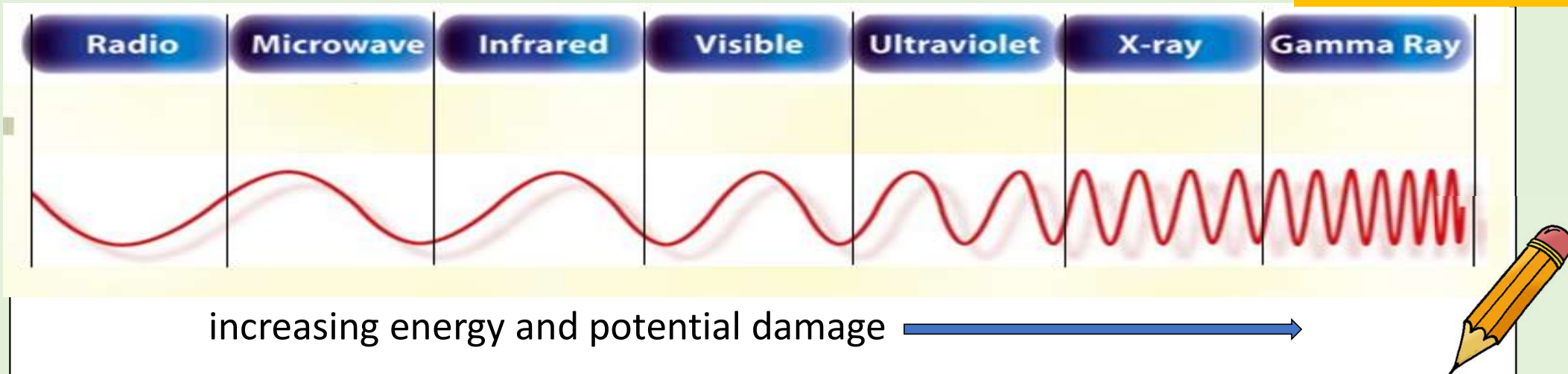
Family of Waves

The different types of electromagnetic waves have a lot in common. Each different type of electromagnetic wave has different properties because they have different wavelengths.



The EM Spectrum

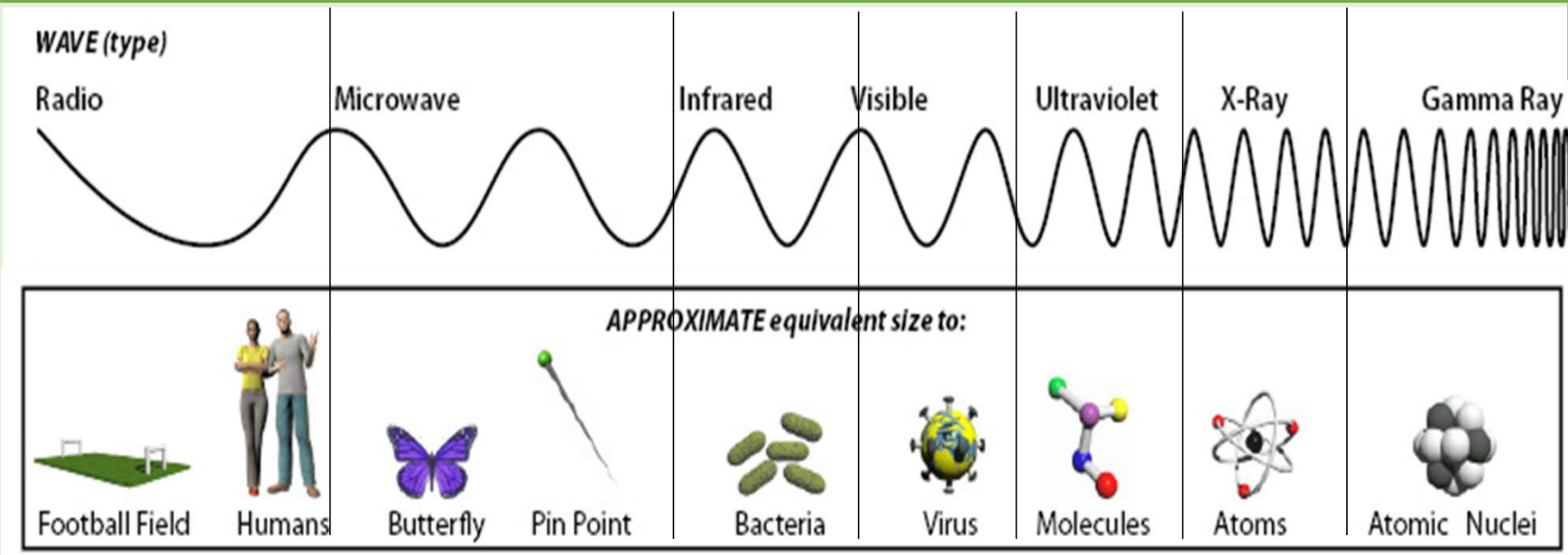
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As you go from left to right, the energy of the waves gets greater. As you move from radio waves to gamma rays, the risk of damage to living things gets bigger.

Wavelength Scale

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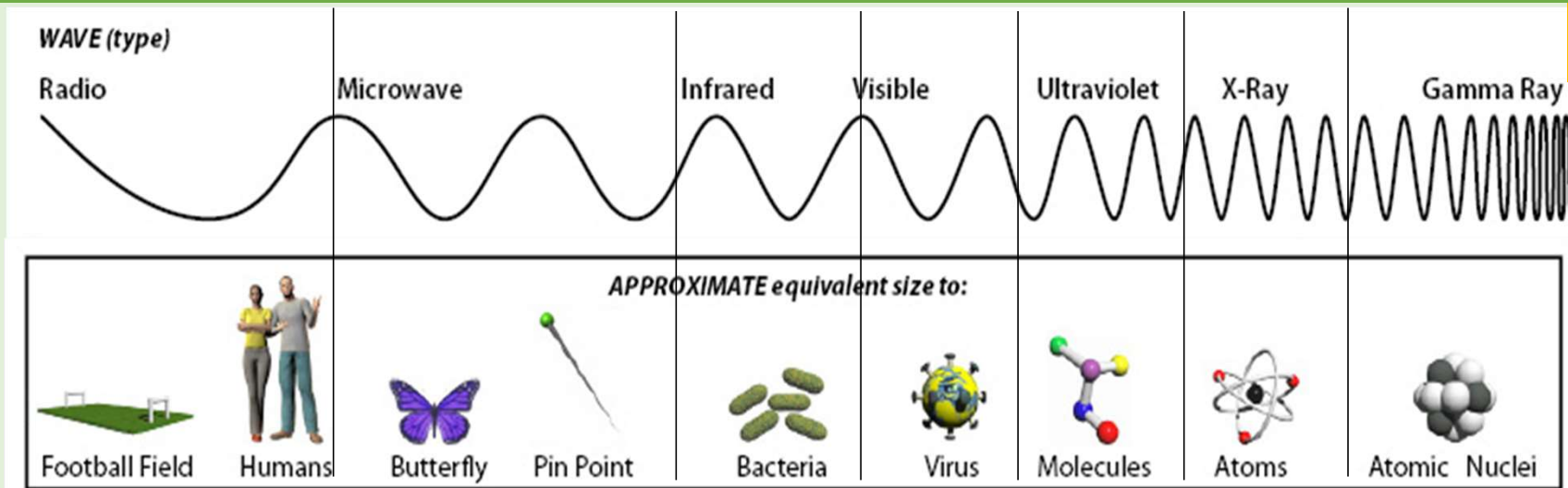


Which waves have wavelengths of the size described...

1. between the size of a football field to the size of a person
2. about the size of atoms
3. between the size of a butterfly and the size of a pin point?

Wavelength Scale

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Extension questions

4. Which wave is close in size to a grain in sand? _____
5. What wave is like the width of a hair? _____
6. Which waves are smaller than an ant? _____
7. Are radio waves bigger or smaller than a basketball? _____

Wavelength Scale

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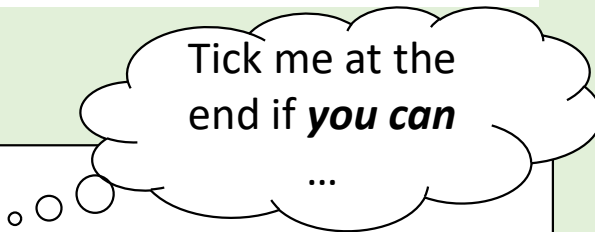
Plenary:

True or False?

1. The wavelength of a wave is how tall it is
2. The electromagnetic spectrum has many different wavelengths
3. The shorter the wavelength of a wave gets, the more energy the wave has

Success Criteria

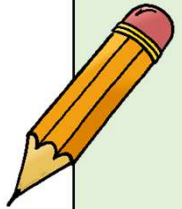
- ☐ I can explain why we can't see right through most things
- ☐ I can state that light and X-rays are waves
- ☐ I can explain what "wavelength" means
- ☐ I can explain why X-rays can pass through things.



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Starter:

1. The electromagnetic spectrum is a family of _____.
2. Wavelength is the _____ between two crests.
3. Gamma rays have a shorter _____ than radio waves.

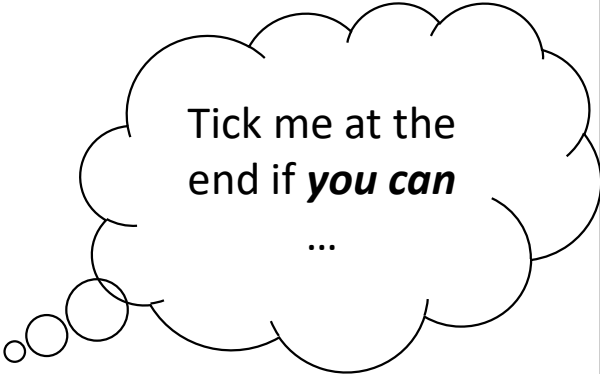


Learning Intentions:

- To state a use for each part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Success Criteria

☐ I can state a use for each part of the electromagnetic spectrum.



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The EM Spectrum - Summary Table

The next few slides describe how the E.M spectrum is used in everyday life.

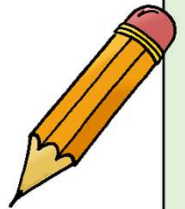
Complete the table in your booklet as you go through to show the uses of different parts of the E.M spectrum.

Uses for the EM Spectrum

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Wave Name	Applications
radio	
microwave	
infrared	
visible light	
ultraviolet	
X-rays	
gamma ray	



Radio



For **radio**



For **T.V**



Microwave



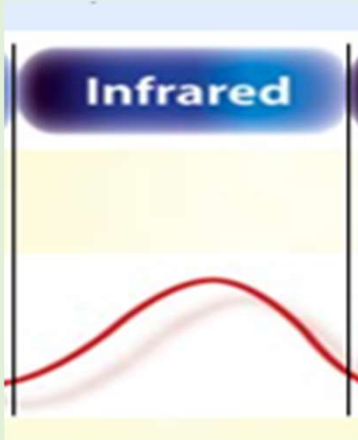
For heating food



communication
(e.g. phones).



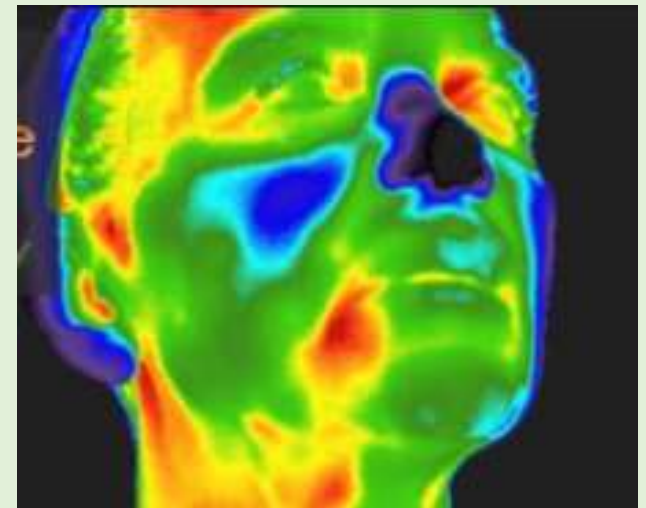
Infrared



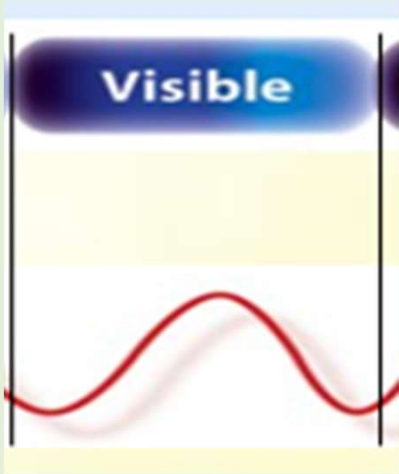
For
Cooking



Thermograms allow us to see the temperatures of parts of the body. We feel infrared as **heat**.



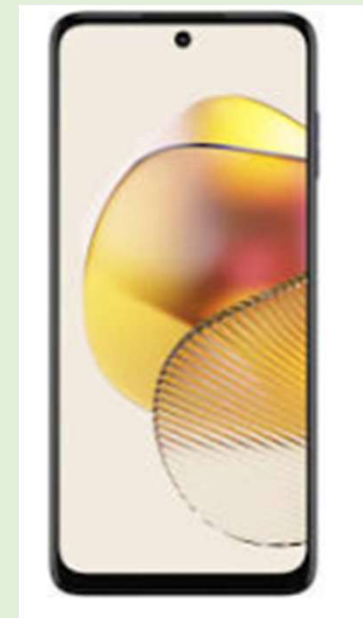
Visible



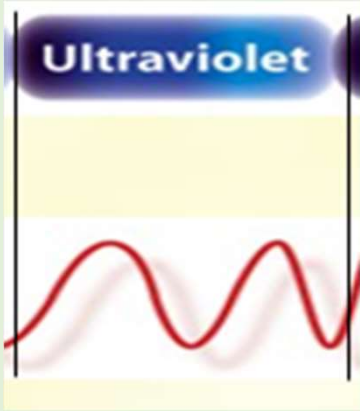
Visible light
allows us to
see.



Cameras also use
visible light to
take pictures.



Ultraviolet

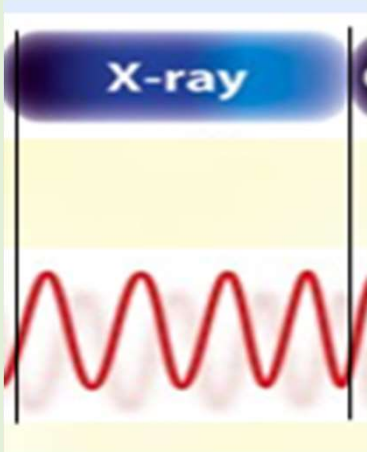


Darkens or Tans our skin. It is found in **sunlight**.

Also used to see security marks on **bank notes**.



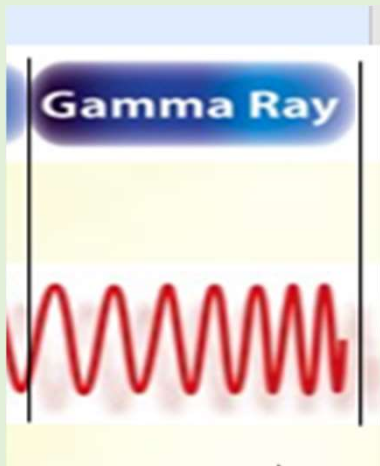
X-rays



Used for **X ray** photographs.



Gamma Rays



Used in medicine as **tracers**.
Tracers are chemicals that we can follow as they move around, inside the body.

The doctor can
see any issues
inside the body

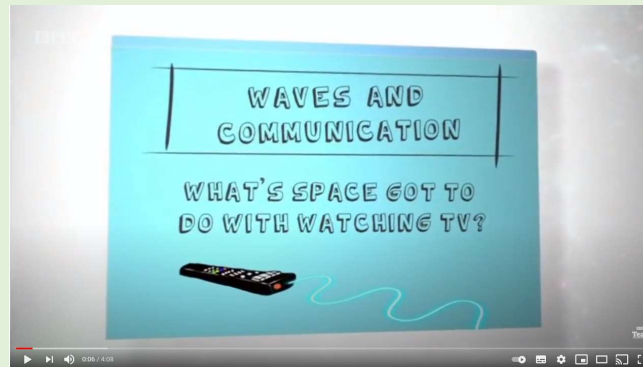
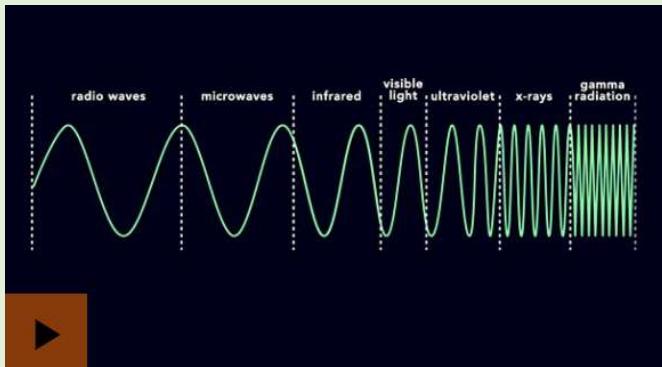


The EM Spectrum

Watch the videos below to learn about the electromagnetic spectrum. Take note of any important points. Think about.....

- The names of the 7 parts of the electromagnetic spectrum.
- Describe what each part of the EM spectrum has in common and what makes it different.
- Explain how we use the EM spectrum in our everyday lives.

Click each image:



Summary - Poster

Now use the information to create a poster of the EM Spectrum.

The poster must include...

- A **bold** title “EM Spectrum”
- A drawing showing the wave spectrum.
- The names of the waves in order, from radio waves to gamma rays, next to the drawing of the spectrum wave.
- Sketches to show the uses of each wave.

Plenary:

Can you spot the odd one out in this list, the device that does **NOT** use waves from the electromagnetic spectrum to work?

A T.V.

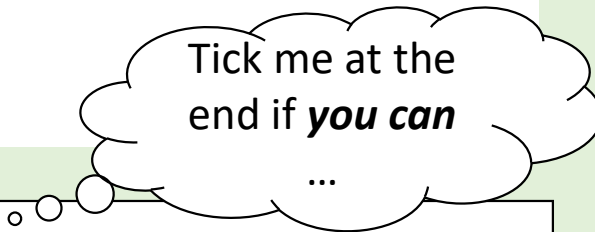
A microwave oven

A camera

A pair of earphones

An X-ray photograph

(clue : which one has NOT been mentioned in the lesson)



Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Success Criteria

☐ I can state a use for each part of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Extra

Richard Hammond – Invisible Worlds



Starter:

Draw a line to match the part of the E.M spectrum with its application

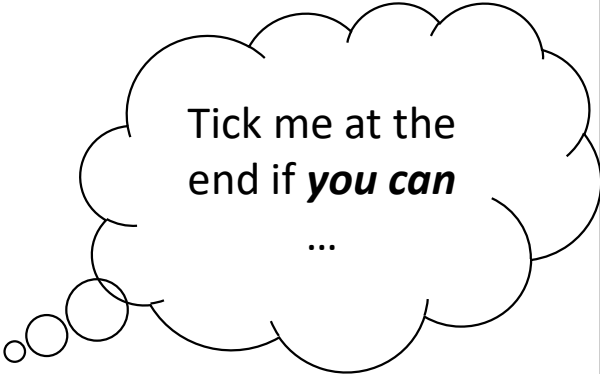
Wave Type	Application
microwaves	medical tracers
infrared	mobile phones
gamma rays	thermograms

Learning Intentions:

- To state what a thermogram is.
- To explain how infrared is used in medicine.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state what a thermogram is.
- ☐ I can explain how infrared is used in medicine.



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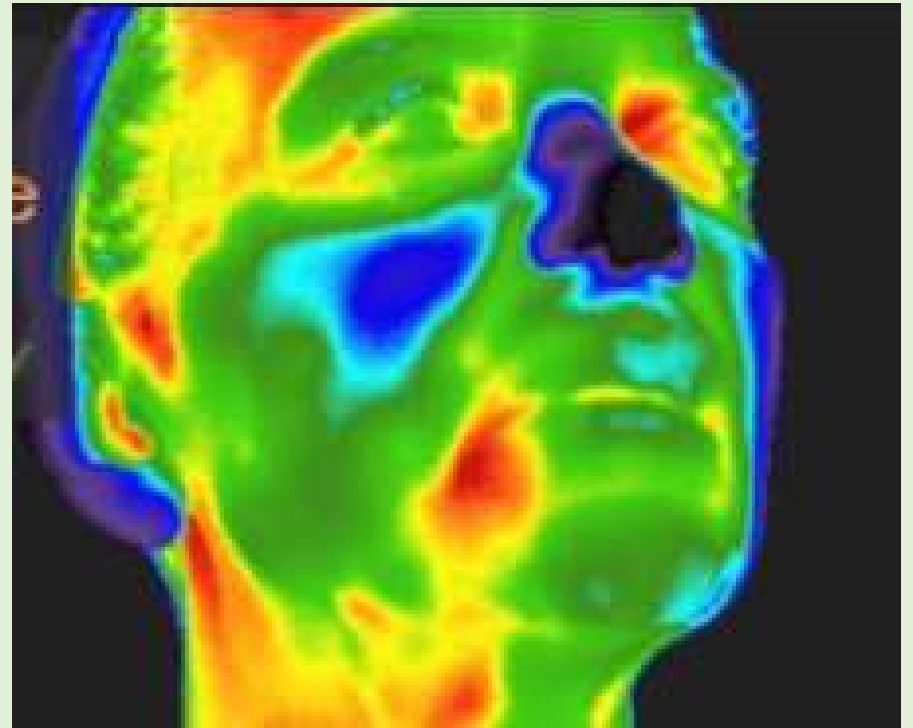
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Thermograms

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Look at this picture. What information do the different colours give us?

This is called a **THERMOGRAM**.
The different colours tell us that different parts of the face have different temperatures.

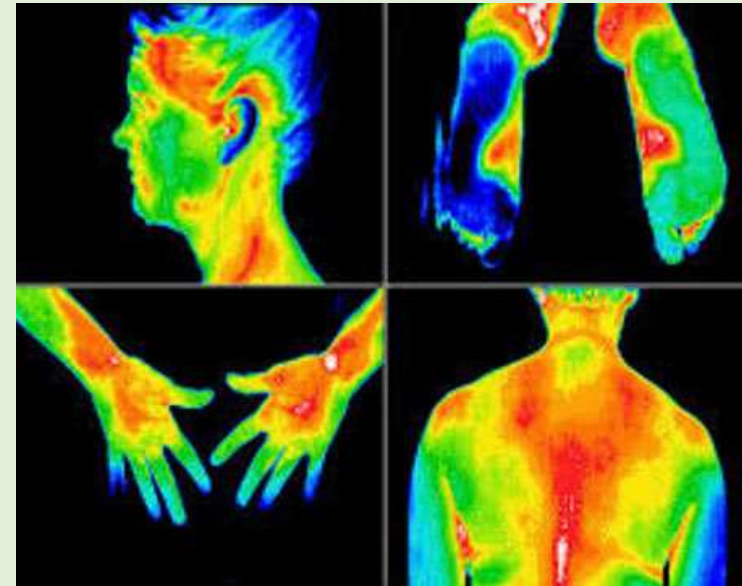


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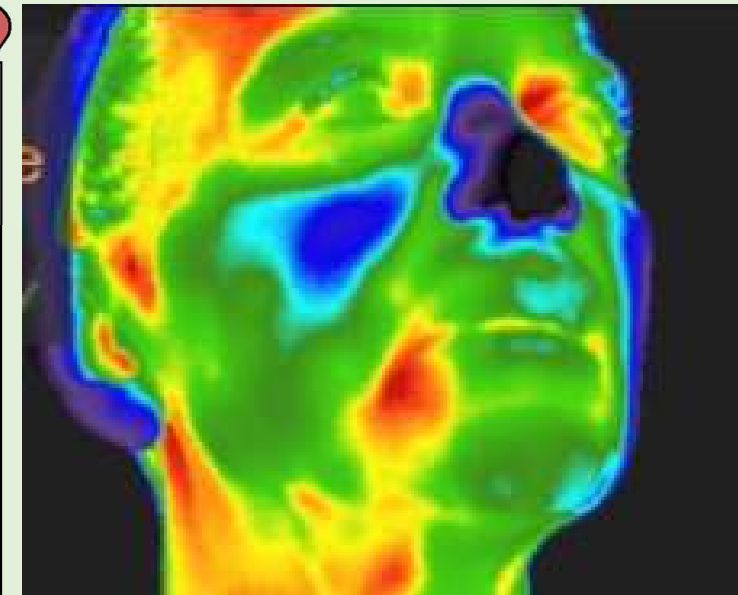
The image made when a thermal camera is used is called a thermogram.



Infrared Camera

Using an infrared camera or this picture complete the table in the booklet.

Area of Face	Colour in thermogram	Hot, warm or cold
Nose		
Cheek (front)		
Cheek (back)		
Side of mouth		



Blue = cold
Green = warm
Red = hot

Infrared Camera

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What information do the different colours give us about where heat is escaping this house?

Place	Colour	How much heat is escaping?
roof		
windows		
doors		
walls		



Blue = cold : LITTLE heat escaping
Green = warm : SOME heat escaping
Red/pink = hot: A LOT of heat escaping

Using Infrared

Thermograms show how the temperature can change across different parts of an object.

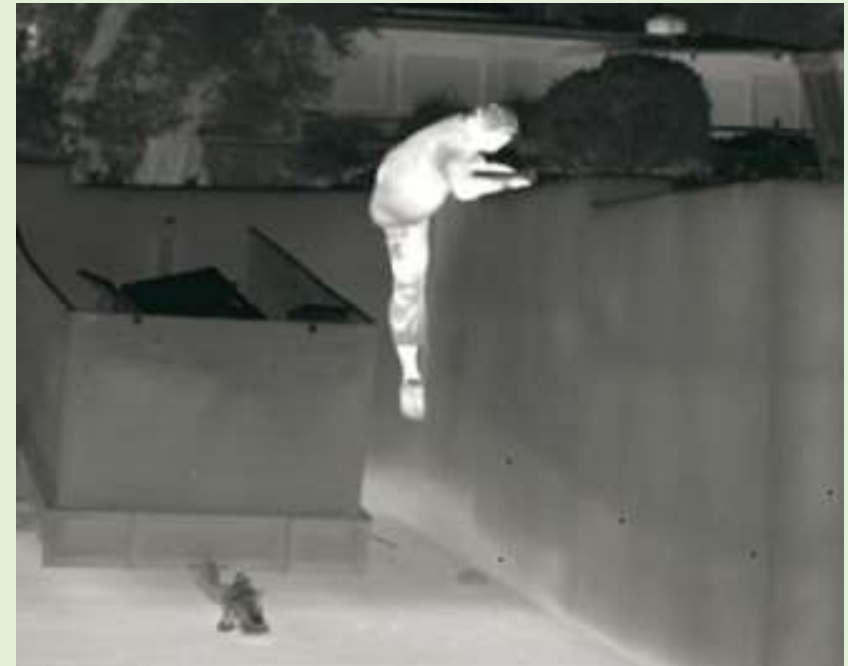
Different colours represent different temperatures.



Using Infrared

Infrared cameras can also allow us to “see in the dark”.
Why do you think the intruder appears brighter in the picture than the surroundings?

The intruder looks brighter in a thermogram because



Infrared Camera

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Demonstration: Your teacher may show you a few more objects with the IR camera.

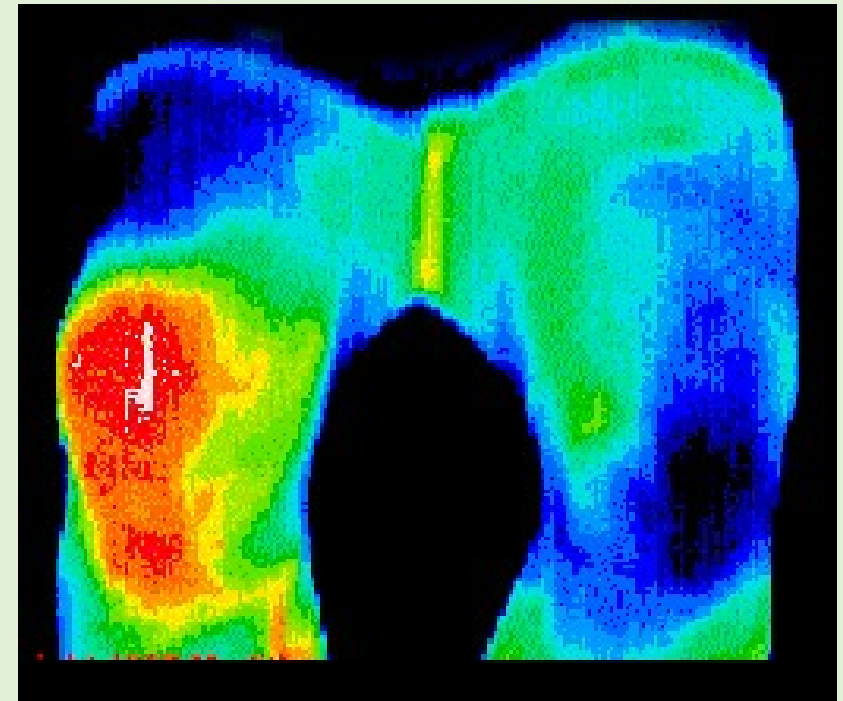


Thermograms

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The thermogram shows two knees of an athlete.

1. Which knee is likely to be damaged?
2. How could you tell?



Do you remember what we feel when we are exposed to infrared radiation?

We feel infrared as **heat**.

Using Infrared

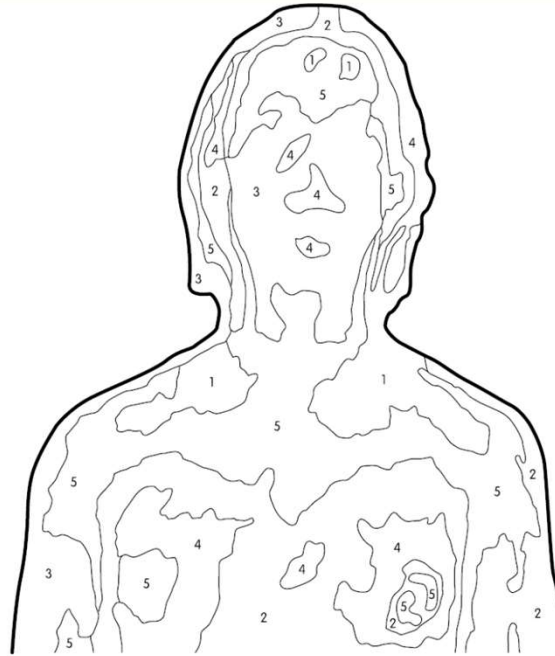


Infra-red can be used to help speed up the healing of muscles. The warmth encourages blood to flow freely.



Using Infrared

Extension: colour in the thermogram using the key below the picture:



number	colour	appropriate temperature (°C)
1	blue	23 – 26
2	green	27 – 29
3	red	30 – 32
4	orange	33 – 35
5	yellow	35 – 37



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Plenary:

Which of these two people have just come inside from being outside in the cold?

Mike



Betty

Success Criteria

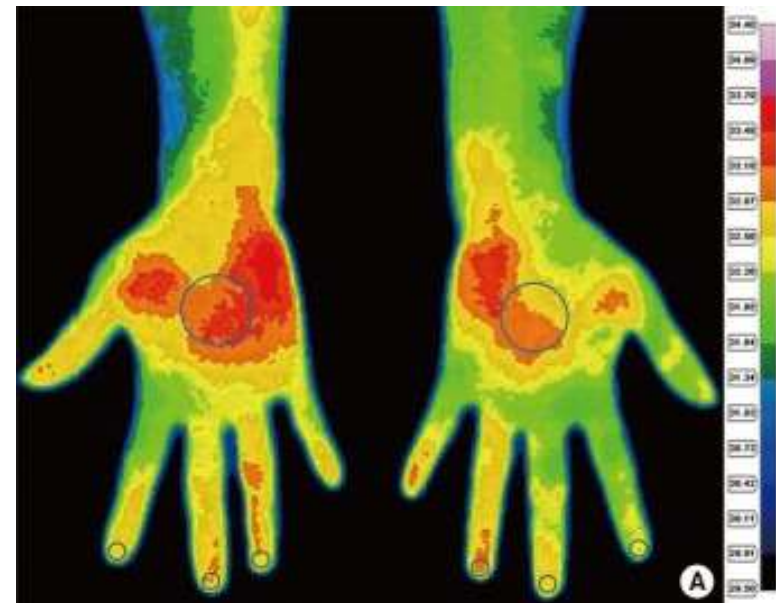
- ☐ I can state what a thermogram is.
- ☐ I can explain how infrared is used in medicine

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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Starter:

1. What do thermograms show?
2. Give a use for infrared radiation.

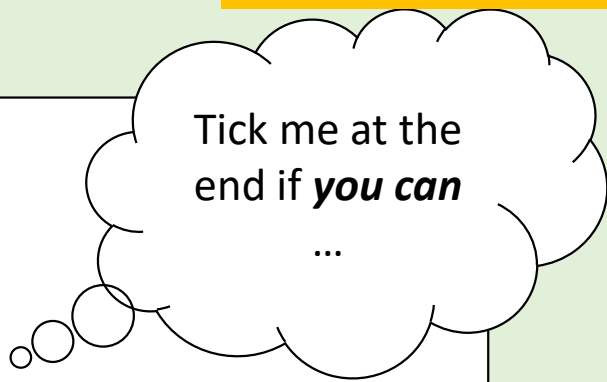


Learning Intentions:

- To state the uses of ultraviolet light.
- To explain the term fluorescent.
- To state that ultraviolet can be used to treat some skin conditions.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the uses of ultraviolet light.
- ☐ I can explain the term fluorescent.
- ☐ I can state that ultraviolet can be used to treat some skin conditions.



Tick me at the end if ***you can***

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Ultraviolet Light

UV light is invisible to the eye, but fluorescent materials can absorb the energy in UV light and re-emit it as visible light.



Other Uses of UV Light

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Experiment:

Aim: Which objects fluoresce under UV light and why is it useful?

Method:

- Collect a variety of objects.
- Turn the classroom lights off
- Turn the UV lamp on and shine it on the object.
- Record what objects fluoresce or 'glow'



Safety warning!
UV light can damage
your eyesight.
Do not shine the light
into your eye or
anyone else's!

Other uses of UV Light



Results: Which objects fluoresce?

Conclusion: Why is fluorescence useful?

Other uses of UV Light

Where have you seen UV lamps and fluoresce materials?



Useful Ultraviolet

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Ultraviolet light can be harmful to human skin, however, in the right dose it can help heal some skin conditions such as psoriasis and eczema.



psoriasis



eczema

Plenary:

- Why are UV beads useful?
- What could they be used for?



Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the uses of ultraviolet light.
- ☐ I can explain the term fluorescent.
- ☐ I can state that ultraviolet can be used to treat some skin conditions.

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Starter:

1. List three uses of UV radiation

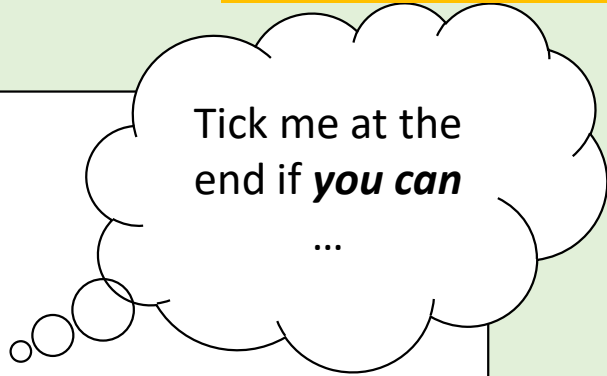


Learning Intentions:

- To state the dangers of overexposure to sunlight.
- To explain how to protect yourself from the damage caused by ultraviolet.
- To explain what the sun protection factor number on sunscreen means.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can state the dangers of overexposure to sunlight.
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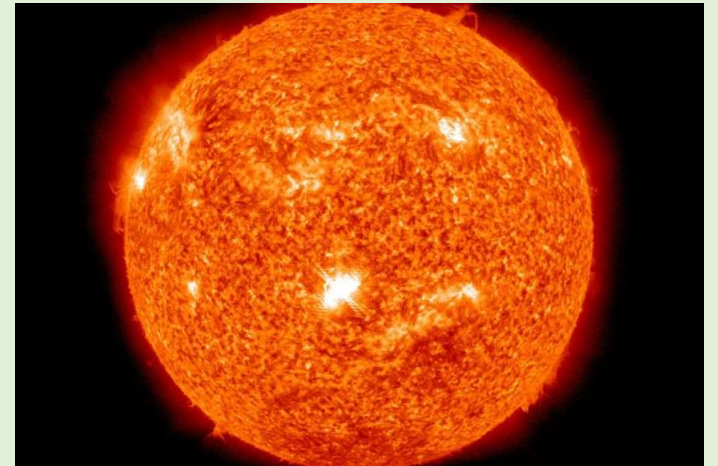
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Ultraviolet Light

UV light is emitted from the sun.

UV light causes the skin to produce vitamin D, which is important for the development of healthy bones.

Exposure to a low level of UV light can help heal some skin conditions.



Ultraviolet = Danger

Remember the warning from last lesson.

Over exposure to UV light is dangerous.

It can cause damage to the skin such as **sunburn** and increase the **risk of cancer**.

Safety warning!
UV light can damage your
eyesight.
Do not shine the light into
your eye or anyone else's!



Ultraviolet = Danger



Watch the following video – Dear 16-year-old me.

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Write down 3 facts you learn from the video in your booklet

3 facts from the video: Dear 16-year-old me.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Ultraviolet

Sunlight contains ultraviolet.

Ultraviolet causes human skin to darken or tan.

Too much exposure to the ultraviolet in sunlight can cause sunburn or even skin cancer.

All types of human skin can get sunburn or skin cancer.



This is how we lost Bob Marley



Ultraviolet

Where do you think you are in the most danger of UV rays?



or



Ultraviolet

Is there any danger from ultraviolet here?

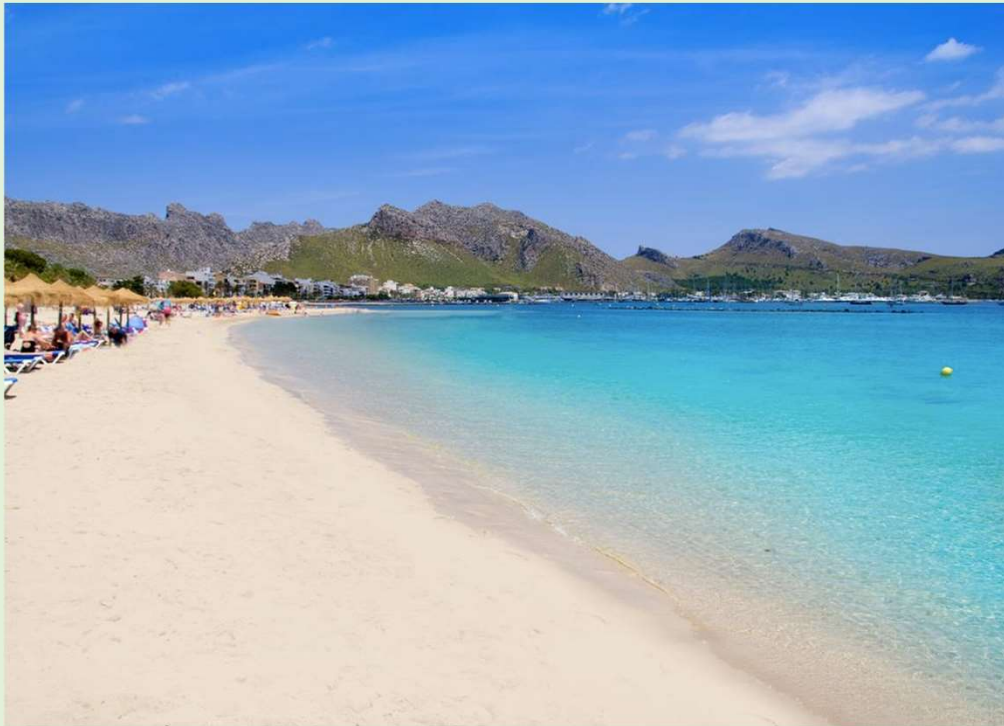


Ultraviolet rays can pass through cold air too.

They can also reflect off snow.

Ultraviolet

Why do we have to be extra careful here?



Ultraviolet can reflect off water.

Ultraviolet

“Getting a tan” is popular.

- What do you think about these two methods?
- Which do you think is safer?



From a sunbed (uses UV)

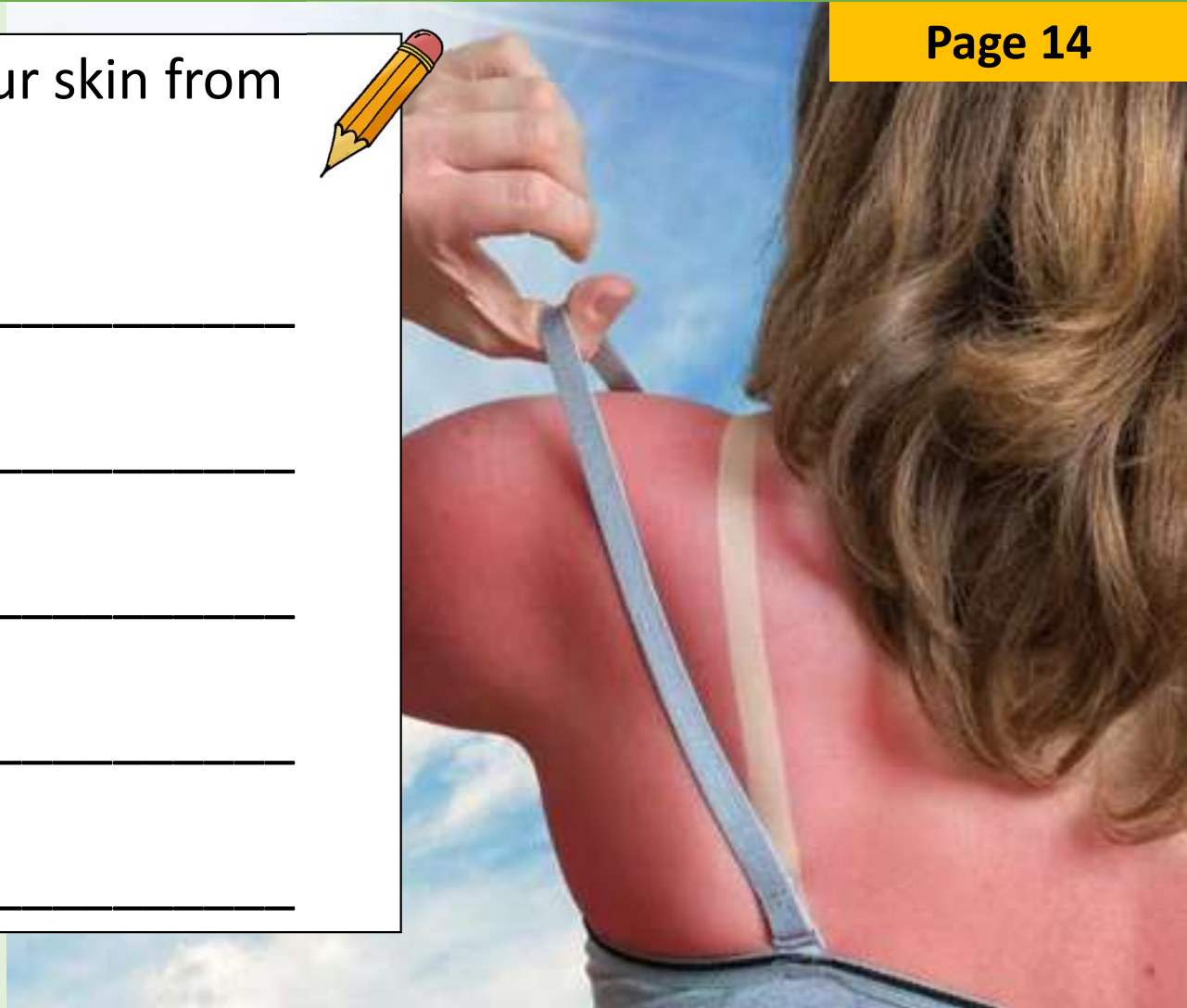


From a lotion (so-called “fake tan”)

Protection from UV Light

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What can be done to protect your skin from exposure to UV light?



Sunscreen SPF



Watch this video and answer the questions in your booklet.

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1. What does SPF stand for?

2. As the SPF number gets bigger what happens to the amount of UV that is blocked?

3. Write down two things, other than sunscreen, that can affect how long you can stay out in the sun.



Extension Task:

The UV Index measures the strength of sunburn-producing ultraviolet radiation at a particular place and time. Research and note down today's UV Index for your location and two other cities/countries from different continents. Then, categorize each UV Index value: Low, Moderate, High, Very High, or Extreme.

- Your Location:

- Today's UV Index: _____

- Category: _____

- City/Country 1: _____

- Today's UV Index: _____

- Category: _____

- City/Country 2: _____

- Today's UV Index: _____

- Category: _____

Considering the differences in UV Index between these locations, discuss the importance of being aware of daily UV Index values, especially when traveling.



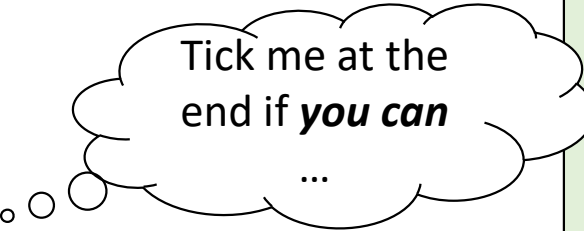
Plenary:

Australia has a campaign called '**Slip, Slap, Slop**' to help reduce problems caused by too much exposure to ultraviolet radiation.

From what you have learned, what do you think people are being asked to do?

Success Criteria

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- ☐ I can explain how to protect yourself from the damage caused by ultraviolet.
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- ☐ I can state that ultraviolet can be used to treat some skin conditions



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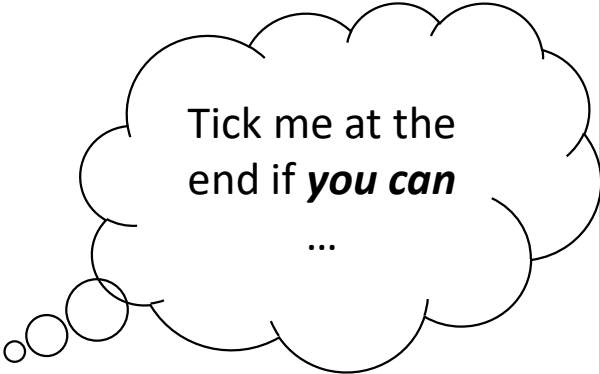
1. What is the danger of overexposure to ultraviolet?
2. What should you use to block ultraviolet?
3. What does sunscreen “SPF” stand for?

Learning Intentions:

- To explain how we can use X-rays.
- To describe how an X-ray photograph works.
- To identify bones in an X-ray photograph.

Success Criteria

- ☐ I can explain how we can use X-rays.
- ☐ I can describe how an X-ray photograph works.
- ☐ I can identify bones in an X-ray photograph.

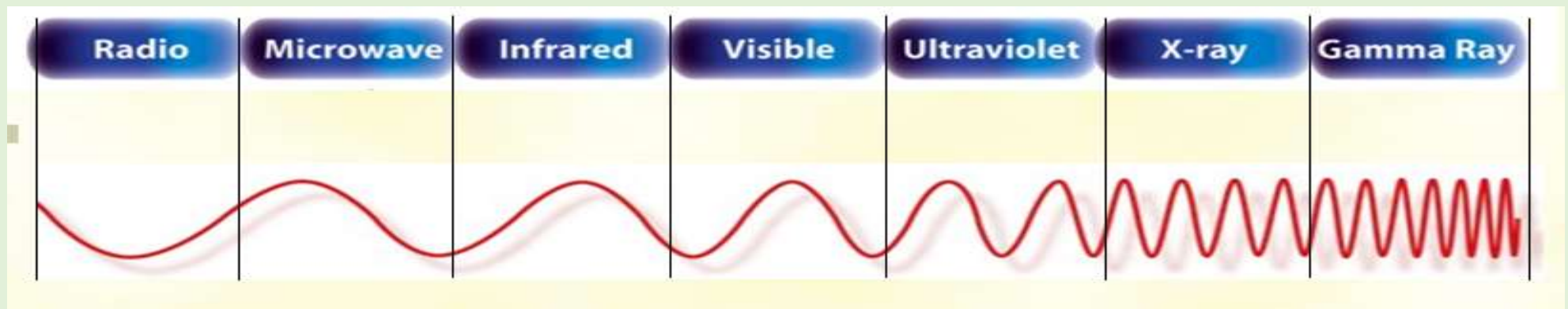


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X-rays

Which type of wave has the shorter wavelength, **visible light**, or **X-rays**?



Try the paper man experiment and answer the following questions:

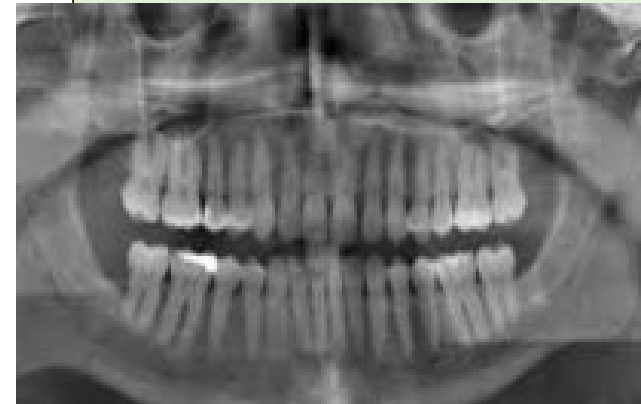
1. Were you able to see the “bones” when it was sitting on the table?
No – they were hidden
2. What had to happen to the light waves for you to see the bones?
They had to pass through the paper
3. Looking through the paper man how did the bones appear?
Like dark shadows.
4. What must have happened to the light waves when they tried to pass through the bones?
Some or all of the light didn't pass through

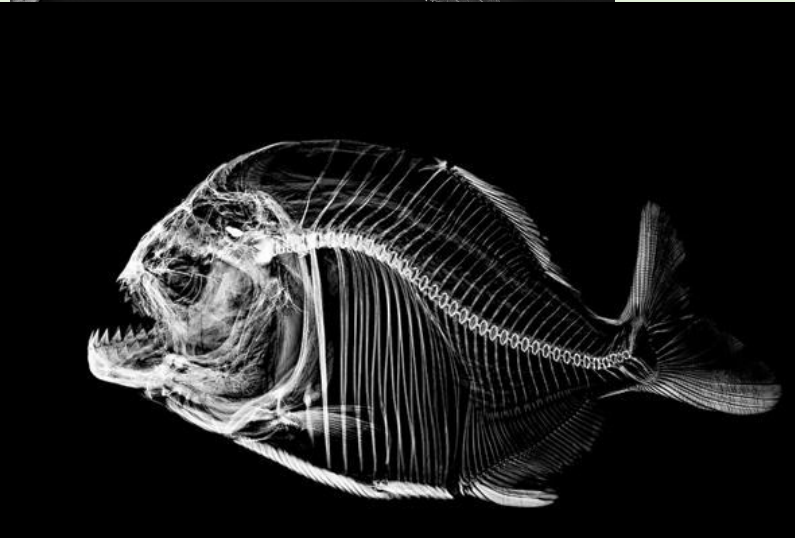


X-ray photographs

Have a look at the X-ray photographs and answer the following questions

1. What do bones look like? **XX**
2. What do organs (e.g. the lungs) look like?
3. Write down **XX** two things than an X-ray photograph could tell us. **XX**





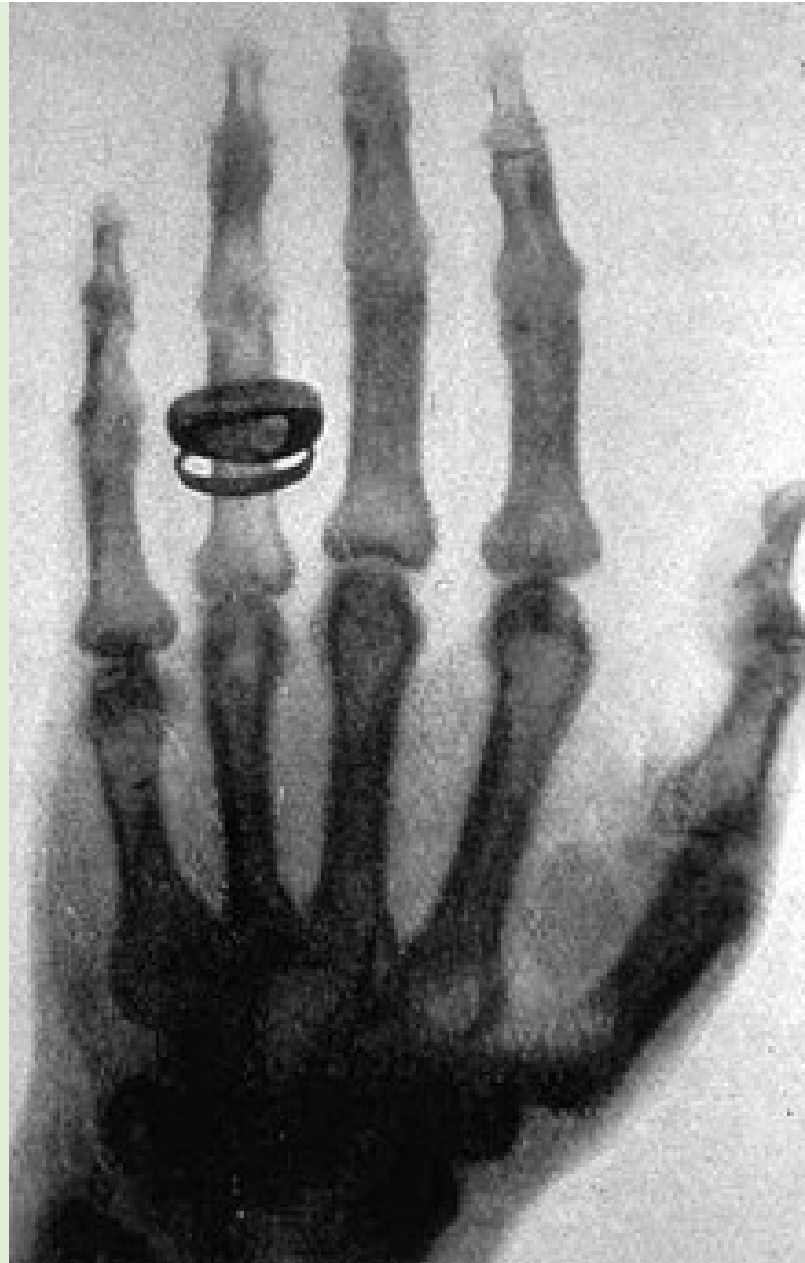
How X ray pictures work

X rays can pass through soft tissue, like organs. These areas appear dark.

X rays can't pass through bone so they appear white or clear.

X rays have a shorter wavelength, so we get more detail.





Getting the order right

X rays must pass through the patient to take a photograph.
In your booklet TICK the arrangement that show the correct order.



photographic film


x ray machine

patient

X-rays

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Write down what the x-ray image shows.

X-RAY IMAGES			
Picture	What it is...	Picture	What it is...
			
			
			
			
			
			



Plenary:

Look at this X ray Photograph.

1. What part of the body is it?
2. What kind of operation has this patient had?



Success Criteria

- ☐ I can explain how we can use X-rays
- ☐ I can describe how an X-ray photograph works
- ☐ I can identify bones in an X-ray photograph.

Tick me at the
end if ***you can***

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