

Large semi-spherical bowl with lip and flat base. Excellent for use in the kitchen or bathroom.

Materials

Bowl - stainless steel

Process of manufacture

Bowl - spun

Method of assembly

None

Questions?

- **1** Describe how the bowl would be manufactured from flat sheet.
- **2** State two properties of stainless steel which make it a suitable material for this process of manufacture
- **3** State three properties of stainless steel which make it a suitable material for this product.
- **4** The bowl could have been manufactured using mild steel. If mild steel had been used, state two finishes which could have been applied to prevent corrosion.
- **5** Describe how one of the finishes you have given above is applied to the mild steel.
- **6** State an alternative process for manufacturing the bowl and describe how the process would be carried out.

Assignment

To help give the bowl added appeal it is decided to add a pair of handles. The handles should be manufactured as separate items and attached to the bowl in the factory.

Produce a design solution for a pair of handles for the bowl. Give detailed information about the process(es) for manufacturing the handles and the method of attaching them to the bowl.



Description

A solid wood chopping board designed to fit over a rectangular sink opening. Also available as a round board.

Materials

Board - beech

Process of manufacture

Board - laminated / cut and routed

Method of assembly

None

Questions?

- **1** Explain the advantages of producing the board by laminating as opposed to using a single solid piece of timber.
- 2 Describe the processes of laminating.
- **3** State a suitable finish for the board and explain why it may be necessary.
- **4** The board could be manufactured using a plastic. State the name of a plastic which would be suitable for this product.
- **5** Describe the process which would be used to manufacture the board from your named plastic.
- **6** Explain the advantages of using plastic for the manufacture of the board as opposed to beech.
- **7** State one area of the board design where the designed would have considered ergonomics.

Assignment

The function of the board is to act as a cutting surface for foods. To extend a products market it can be shown to have other functions often not related to it's primary function.

Produce a list of other uses for the chopping board and for each describe how it would be used in its new role.



A hanging rail available in a number of lengths. Used to hang kitchen utensils and accessories.

Materials

Brackets - stainless steel Rail - stainless steel

Process of manufacture

Brackets - stamped and formed Rail - extruded

Method of assembly

Rail to brackets - screw fitting

Questions?

- **1** State an alternative metal for manufacturing the brackets.
- 2 State an alternative process for manufacturing the brackets using your stated metal.
- **3** State two ergonomic factors which the designer would have considered when designing the rail.
- **4** Describe the process of extrusion. Sketches should be used in your answer.
- **5** State three aspects of *fitness for purpose* which the designer would have considered in the design of the hanging rail.
- **6** Describe how the designer would have researched these three areas and explain how he would have used the information to help in the design of the hanging rail.

Assignment

It has been decided to produce another item for this range of stainless steel kitchen products. A kitchen paper towel roll holder and a wine rack are the selected products for further development. Produce a design solution for one of the selected products which will complement the hanging rail.



Description

This 'modern' looking' decoration is of a small jacket on a stand.

Materials

Stand - galvanised steel wire Jacket - galvanised steel wire

Process of manufacture

Stand - cut and formed Jacket - woven mesh

Method of assembly

Jacket to stand - placed

Questions?

- 1 Explain which aesthetic aspects allow the decoration to be described as 'modern'.
- **2** Describe how the wire stand would have been manufactured. Sketches should be used in your answer.
- **3** State two reasons why steel was probably not used as the material for the stand.
- **4** Describe the decoration in terms of its aesthetic appeal and state its possible market niche.
- **5** Describe three marketing strategies which a company could use to encourage sales when first introducing this product.

Assignment

It is decided to redesign the decoration with a 'solid' base.

Produce a design solution for a solid base for the decoration. A range a suitable materials and processes should be considered.



A computer swivel chair with height adjustment.

Materials

Seat - beech plywood Fixing plate - steel / lacquered

Process of manufacture

Seat - laminated Fixing plate - Blanked and pressed

Method of assembly

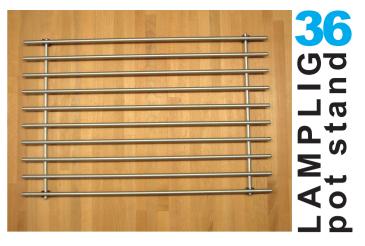
Fixing plate to seat - screwed

Questions?

- 1 Describe which properties of plywood make it a suitable choice for the manufacture of the seat.
- 2 Describe the process used for manufacturing the seat. Sketches should be used in your answer.
- 3 Explain the purpose of the holes in the seat.
- 4 Describe how the holes in the seat could have been made.
- 5 State an alternative material suitable for the manufacture of the seat.
- 6 State three advantages of manufacturing the fixing bracket by pressing as opposed to sand casting.

Assignment

The chair has to be redesigned with armrests. Produce a design solution for a pair of armrests for the chair.



Description

A pot stand designed to keep hot pots and pans from marking kitchen surfaces.

Materials

Rods - steel Feet - polypropylene

Process of manufacture

Rods - cold drawn Feet - injection moulding

Method of assembly

Rods to rods - welded Feet to rods - push fit

Questions?

- 1 State a suitable finish for the pot stand and describe how this would be applied.
- 2 State two functional reasons for the four feet fitted to the pot stand.
- 3 Describe the process of welding. Sketches should be used in your answer.
- 4 State and describe two alternative methods of joining the rods together to make the pot stand.
- 5 State three aspects of *fitness for purpose* which the designer would have considered in the design of the pot stand.
- 6 Describe how the designer would have researched these three areas and explain how he would have used the information to help in the design of the pot stand.

Assignment

The function of the stand is to protect kitchen surfaces form being marked by hot pots. To extend a products market it can be shown to have other functions often not related to it's primary function. Produce a list of other uses for the pot stand and for each describe how it would be used in its new





This drinks flask is designed to keep liquids hot or cold. The stopper only requires a slight turn to allow liquid to pour out. The lid doubles as a cup.

Materials

Flask tube/base/inside - stainless steel Stopper - polypropylene / elastomer seal Lid - stainless steel / polypropylene

Process of manufacture

Flask tube/base/inside - spun / pressed / formed Stopper & seal - injection moulding Lid - spun Lid insert - injection moulding

Method of assembly

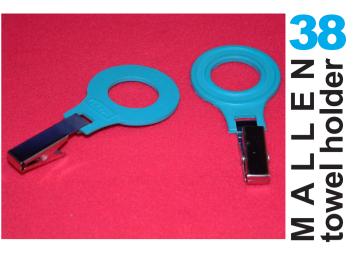
Flask inside to flask tube - welded Lid insert to lid - push fit with glue

Questions?

- 1 State three properties of stainless steel which make it a suitable material for this product.
- 2 State the evidence you would expect to find on this product which would indicate that it had been manufactured by spinning.
- 3 Describe two aspects of safety which would have been considered in the design of this product.

Assignment

A larger version of the flask is to be manufactured but with the addition of a carrying handle. Produce a design solution for a vacuum flask with a carrying handle.



Description

This product is designed for hanging up towels. The towel is gripped by the spring peg and the plastic hoop allows it to be hung on a hook.

Materials

Spring peg - steel / chrome plated Hoop - rubber

Process of manufacture

Spring peg - blanked and pressed Hoop - injection moulding

Method of assembly

Hoop to peg - inserted

Questions?

- 1 State the name of a metal which would be suitable for the manufacture of the hoop.
- 2 State two suitable processes which could be used to manufacture the hoop from your stated metal.
- 3 Describe one of the processes which you have stated as being suitable.
- 4 Describe the aesthetics of the product in terms of shape, contrast and symmetry.
- 5 State three ergonomic factors which the designer would have considered when designing the hanger.
- 6 During the evaluation of this product user trials were carried out. Describe two tests which could be carried out during user trials to aid evaluation of the hanger.

Assignment

It is decide to redesign the hoop component of the hanger for a different market niche. The market niche chosen is children between the ages of 5 and 9 years of age.

Produce a design solution for the hoop (hanger) for this new market niche.



This mixer tap has a single rotating tap. Water flow and temperature are controlled by two levers, one for hot and one for cold.

Materials

Tap - chrome-plated brass. Control and levers - chrome-plated brass

Process of manufacture

Tap - extruded tube / formed Control and levers - die cast

Method of assembly

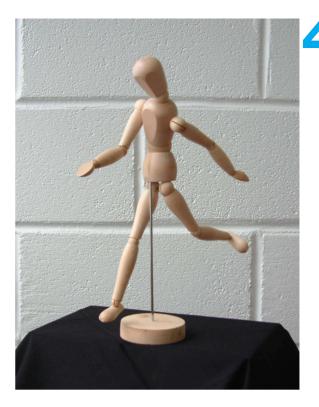
Push fit and screw

Questions?

- 1 Explain why brass has been used for this product.
- 2 Describe the process of die casting. Sketches should be used in your answer.
- 3 Explain why the brass has been given a chromeplated finish.
- 4 During the design of the tap the designer would have considered *obsolescence*. Explain the term *planned obsolescence* and describe how it may have effected the design of this product.
- 5 Explain the effect on the cost/aesthetics of the tap if the levers had been manufactured from plastic.
- 6 State the name of a suitable plastic for the levers of the tap.

Assignment

It is decided to produce a pair of individual taps for hot and cold water based on this design. Produce a design solution for a pair of taps which would complement and extend the LOVIKEN range.



Description

This is a traditional artists dummy used to help visualise the human form when sketching and painting.

Materials

Base and body parts - hardwood Stand - steel wire

Process of manufacture

Base and body parts - turned Stand - cold drawn

Method of assembly

Stand to base and body - push fit

Questions?

- 1 A similar figure is available to the designer which is used as an aid to designing. State the name given to this figure and describe where and how in the design process it may be used.
- 2 State the name of a suitable hardwood for this product.
- 3 Describe the process of wood turning, use sketches to illustrate your answer.

Assignment

The different parts of the body are free to move allowing the dummy to be placed into various poses.

Produce annotated sketches to show three different methods of fixing the body parts together. These methods should allow for full movement of all parts.