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CHEMISTRY: Which is the best material to use?

SCIENCE

KEY VOCABULARY

Property: what a material is like and how it behaves

Suitability: having properties to suit a particular purpose

Naturals a material that is made directly from matter in our environment, including materials from living things (such as plants or animals) or from the ground (such as rocks and minerals).

Synthetics a material made by humans, or made by humans mixing natural things together

Flexible: able to be bent and then return to its original shape

Translucent: allows some light to pass through
Magnetic: can be pushed or pulled by a
magnet using magnetic force

Strength: the strength of a material or object is how well it can hold weight without breaking

Hardnesss the hardness of a material is how easily it can be scratched

KEY SCIENTIST

John Dunlop (1840-1921) was a British inventor. At the time, bicycle tyres were made of solid rubber. They were very uncomfortable on the rough, potholed roads.

He made some new tyres for his son's tricycle, and in 1887 he came up with a new type of tyre. He created an inflated rubber tyre from thin sheets of rubber glued to the wheel, which he then inflated with a football pump. He called his invention a pneumatic tyre – meaning that it contained air.





STICKY KNOWLEDGE

- 1. Natural materials come from our environment.
- 2. Manufactured materials come from natural materials but have been changed by humans
- 3. Synthetic materials are made by humans
- We use the materials most suitable for a job eg

 an umbrella must be made from a
 waterproof material
- 5. Some materials have multiple uses.eg, metals can be used in coins, cans and cars.
- 6. Objects can be changed by the effect of forcesthey bend, squash, twist and stretch.

KEY CONCEPT -materials are chosen by the suitability of their properties





lacking shine



cannot be

seen through

- Glass can used to make windows because it is transparent.
- Rulers can be made from wood, plastic or rubber because these materials are smooth and can be cut straight.
- Spoons are made from metal, because it is waterproof and can be cleaned easily.
- They can also be made from plastic for children because plastic is light and it cannot hurt children's growing teeth.

KEY CONCEPT - Some materials can be shaped

The shape of some solid objects can be changed depending on what material they are made from.

