

	Y4 Pencil case		
Links made with	English – Recycling – One plastic bag		
other subjects	The boy at the back of the class		
	Maths – shape		
The BIG Question	Can you make a pencil case using a range of stitches?		
The BIG Outcome	To make a pencil case to hold school supplies.		
DT objectives	Design		
(link to NC)	Design purposeful, functional, appealing products for themselves and other		
	users based on design criteria		
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	drawing, templates, mock-ups and, where appropriate, information and communication technology		
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	[for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing]		
	Select from and use a wide range of materials and components, including		
	construction materials, textiles and ingredients, according to their		
	characteristics		
	Evaluate		
	Explore and evaluate a range of existing products		
	Evaluate their ideas and products against design criteria		
	Technical knowledge		
	 Build structures, exploring how they can be made stronger, stiffer and more 		
	stable		
	Explore and use mechanisms [for example, levers, sliders, wheels and axles], in		
	their products.		
Prior knowledge	drawn around a template		
What prior knowledge is	joined sheet materials using glue		
needed for children to be successful in this unit?	discussed ideas with others		
successiui iii tilis uiiit!	drawn products		
	cut materials		
	evaluated a product		
	threading a needle		
	creating a stitch		
	This unit builds on:		
	Year 1 – Textiles – kites		
	Year 2 – Textiles – puppets		
	Year 3 – Textiles – bookmarks		
Future learning	This unit gives prior knowledge to:		
Consider the conceptual	Y5 — Textiles — drawstring bag		
knowledge within a subject that pupils need	Y6 - Textiles – slippers		
for future learning not			
just the recall of facts but			
the importance of			
concepts DT strands	Design		
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 Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through talking, drawing, templates, mock-ups and, where appropriate, information and communication technology

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Vocabulary/ Glossary

purpose, design criteria, model, evaluating, labelled drawings, stiffening, reinforcing, pattern/templates, strength, weaknesses, accurate, finishing, fabric, fastening, compartment, zip, press stud, clasp, hook and eye, button, buckle, seam, seam allowance, reinforce, gusset, dye, embroidery, strength, hard-wearing, stretch, fray

Knowledge

(see italics for knowledge to remember)

Numbers used are the LOs for the lesson.

The knowledge that children will learn and remember:

- 1. Investigate and analyse a range of existing products.
 - Do you have a pencil case? What is it like? What do you have in it? Invite children to share their responses.
 - Tell children that over the next few lessons they will be designing, making and evaluating their own pencil cases. To help them do this, they are going to look at a variety of pencil cases to see how they have been made and who they have been designed for.
 - What shape is it? Who do you think would own a pencil case like this? Do you like it? Why or why not?
 - How does the pencil case open and close? How has it been joined together?
 - 2. Generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion and annotated sketches.

Lesson 1 of design

- Tell children that today they will be designing their own pencil cases that will be made out of an A4 sheet of felt. Show children a piece of felt this size and ask for their suggestions as to how they could make a pencil case out of this.
- Children to share their ideas, then go through the suggestions of different
 ways you could fold and sew the felt to make a pencil case. Which shape do
 you like best and why?
- Once you have decided on the shape of the pencil case you want to create, you then need to decide how you will decorate it. What colour felt will you use? What colour thread will you use? What embellishments will you add? How will you attach them? Children to discuss their ideas as a class.
- When you design a product, it is important to think about who and what you are designing it for. Who will you design your pencil case for? What will it need to be in order to be successful?

Lesson 2 of design



- Tell children that today they will be looking at different ways they can add embellishments to their designs to make their pencil cases attractive to look at, as well as being functional. Can you think of some different ways you could add patterns, colours and designs to a piece of felt? Invite children to share their ideas.
- Look at different ways of adding decorations, including buttons, sequins, appliqué, beads and ribbons. Show some different ways of joining these to the main piece of fabric. Which joining method do you think will be the most secure? Why?
 - Invite children to share their ideas, then explain that fabric glue doesn't
 always work well on felt because it is fluffy. Sewing is a much more secure
 way of adding embellishments children to include their joining technique
 on their design.
- 3. Use a range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks accurately.
- Remind children that over the next few lessons they will be designing and making their own pencil cases. To do this, they are going to have to do some sewing. Have you ever done any sewing before? What did you sew? Invite children to share their responses.
 - Explain that there are lots of different sewing stitches we can do and that today we will be practising some of them and seeing which ones would be best for joining felt together to make a pencil case. Go through the different stitches and how they are done.
 - Which of these stitches do you think would make the most secure join?
 Why? Which do you think looks the best? Why? Children to share their ideas, giving reasons for their choices.
 - Remind children about how to work safely with needles, pins and scissors.
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- 4. Select and use tools suitable for the task, explaining their choices, to cut, shape and join paper and card.
- Gather all of the equipment and materials that they will need.
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 6. Know and explain how to create a pencil case (children to think and talk through how their product is used and what holds it together.)
 - Ask children to take out the designs for their pencil cases. Give children a few minutes to look through their plan to remind themselves of what they need to do.
 - Explain that today they will be following their designs to make their pencil cases. What is the first thing you are going to do when you get to your tables? Children to think, pair, share their ideas.
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- 7. Evaluate their product by discussing how well it works in relation to the purpose and the user and whether it meets the design criteria.
 - Evaluate your design. What does this mean? Why is it important that we do this? Think, pair, then share your ideas.
 - Ask children to get their pencil cases out and put them on their hands.
 Children to give their pencil cases a name and then introduce their pencil cases to their friends. Give children some time to walk around the classroom with their pencil case meeting other pencil cases!
 - Tell children that today they will be evaluating their finished pencil cases. What does it mean to evaluate something and why is this important? Children to think, pair, share their ideas.
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