Knowledge Organiser Year 6
Unit: Light

Key Word

transparent

translucent

opaque

magnify

angle of

angle of

lens

reflection

refraction

incidence

ROCKET WORDS

Learn these words and their definitions.

Definition

An object or material that allows

light to pass through easily.

An object or material which

doesn't allow light through.

An object or material which

To make an image larger.

scatters light rays.

it strikes a mirror.

it reflects off a mirror.

changes the direction of

movement of light.

allows some light to pass and

The angle made by a light ray as

The angle made by a light ray as

The action of distorting an image

by viewing through a medium.

A transparent material which

Light sources can be both natural and man-made.

A lens is a piece of transparent glass or plastic that bends light.

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Light only travels in straight lines.

Lesson Sequence



Compare materials of different transparencies



Explain how light travels in a straight line and shadows are formed



Describe how lenses can be used



Show white light is a mixture



Explain how water can bend light



Investigate light colour mixing

FACTOIDS: Can you find out more?

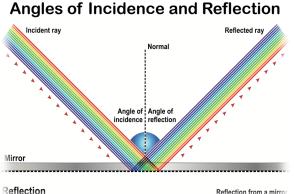
Q1. How does a lens work?
A1. They bend rays of light as they pass through so they can change path or direction.

Q2. What colours is light made up from?

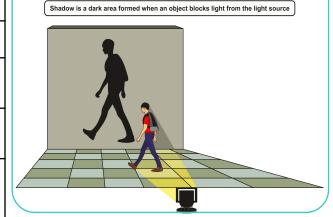
Light is made up of all the colours of the spectrum / rainbow. The colour of the light you see depends on its wavelength.

Q3. How does a telescope work?

They have two lenses (one large and one small) which reflect light rather than bending it.



How a shadow forms



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Light filters can be used to mix or change the colour of the light.

Developing Exports



Unit: Light

This unit will help you understand how light travels, as well as exploring how the path and colour of light can change. A key focus is lenses, and how lenses in our eye, in cameras and in can change the way we view an object.

It is important to think about how lenses are used in research and industry, which is why many of the activities in this unit will help you build your own lenses or observe objects through a lens. We take light for granted, but it is amazing how it moves, reflects and change.