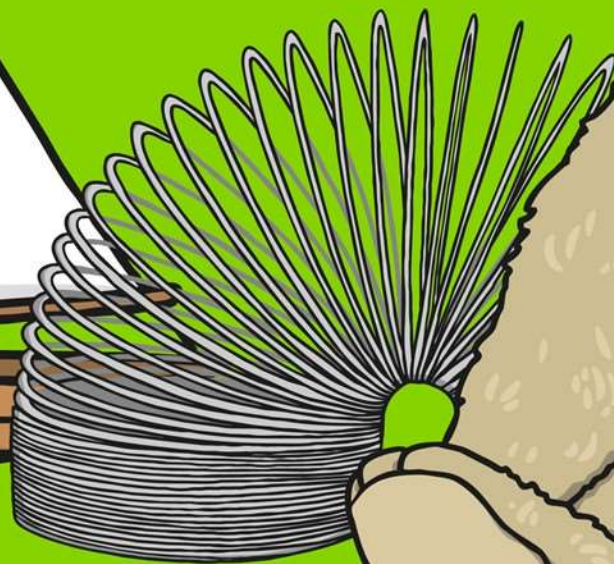


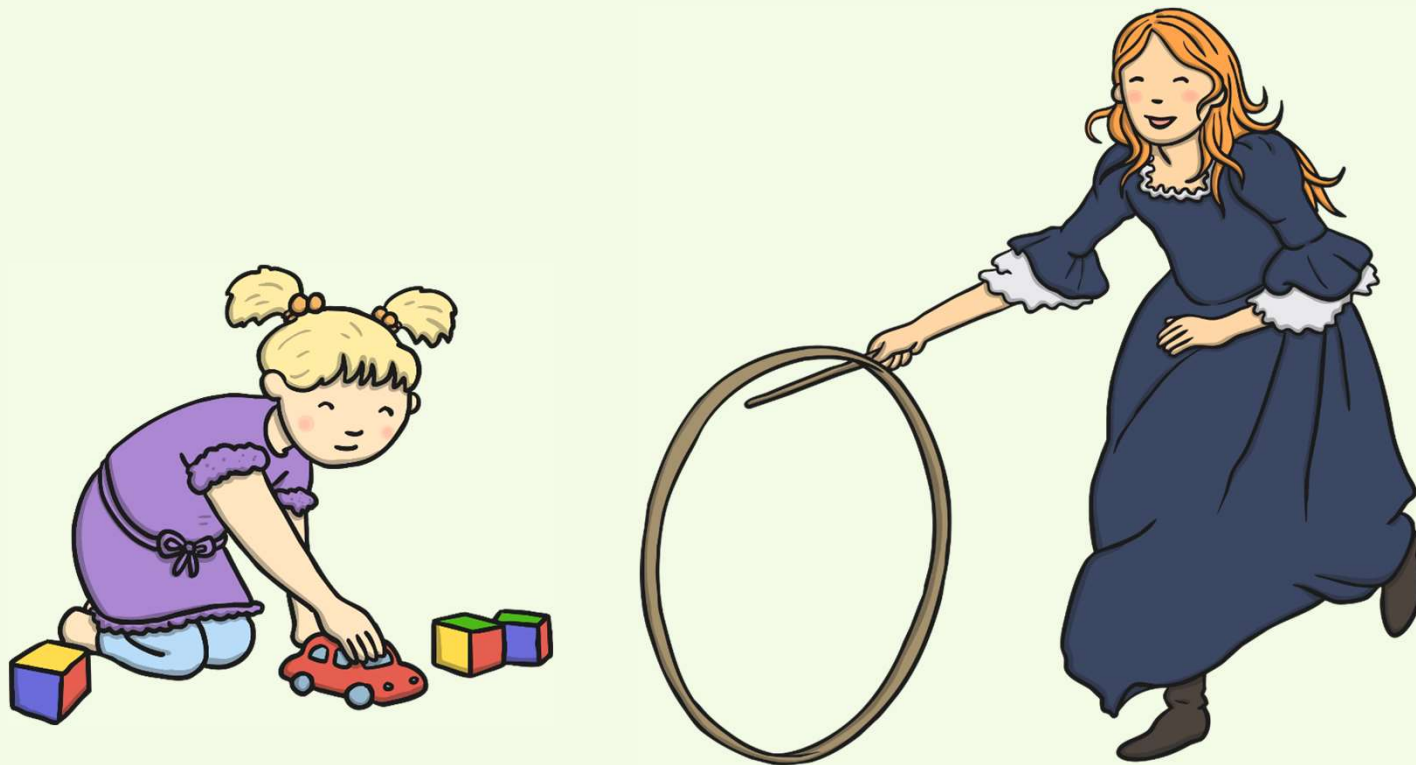
Toys Important Changes



Differences



Think about the toys from today which you have compared with older toys. What are the main differences between them?



Important Changes

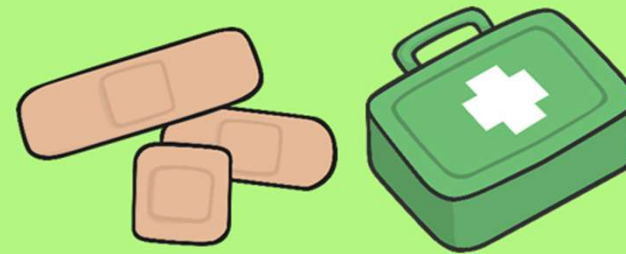


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Technology



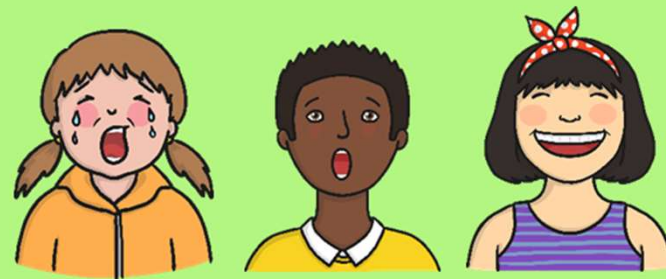
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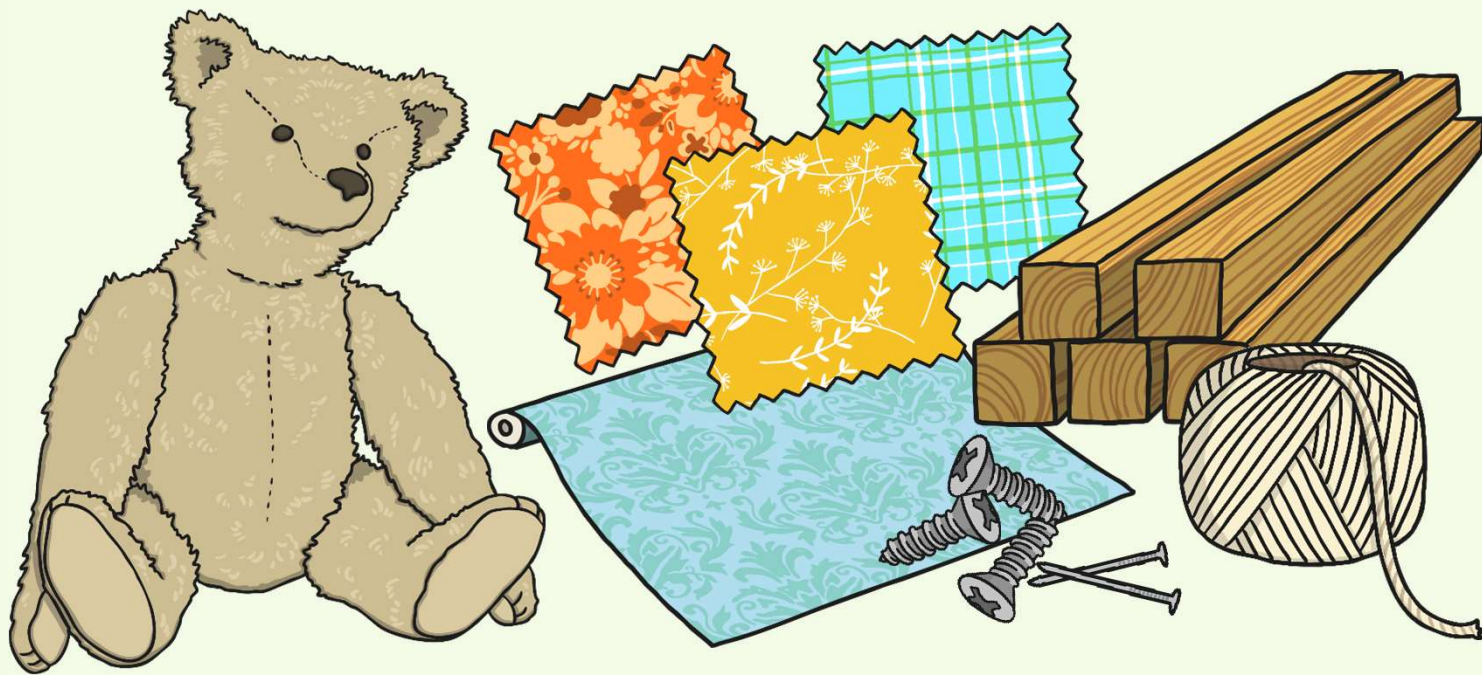


Materials



Most toys used to be made from different materials such as paper, wood and metal. As technology has improved, other materials have developed, such as plastic, which means toys are often safer to play with than they were in the past.

What are most of your toys made from?



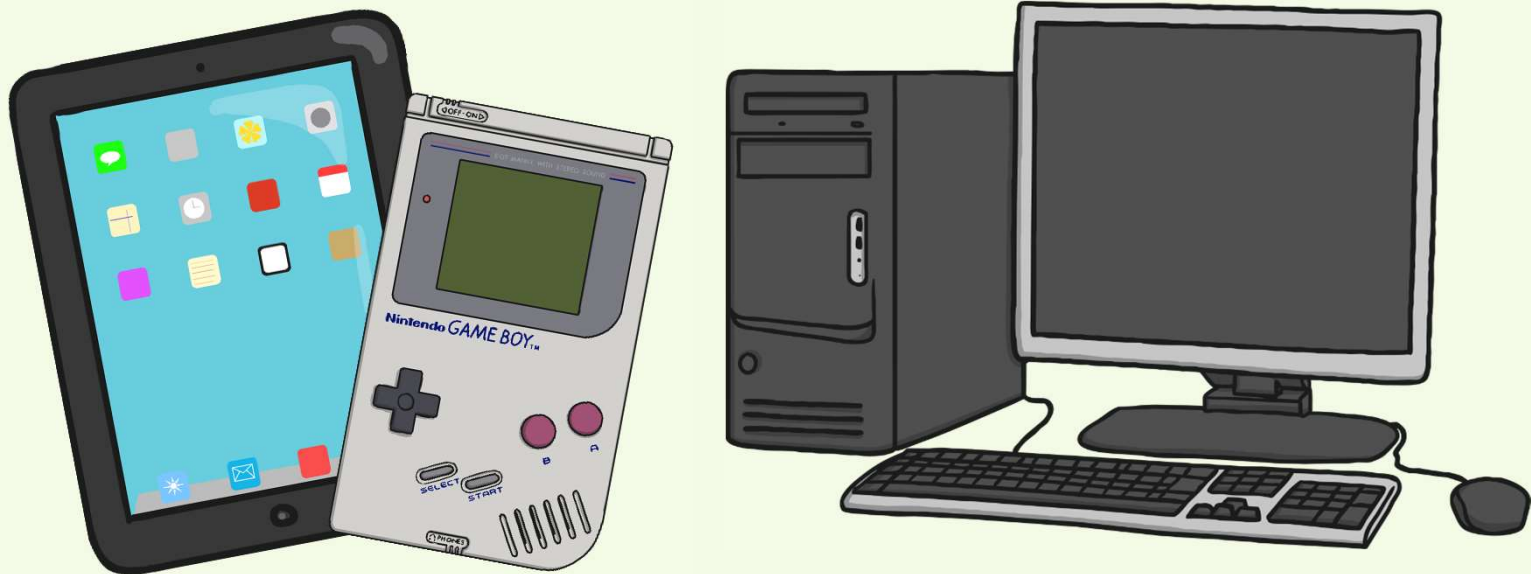


Technology



As technology has developed and improved, toys have been able to do more clever and complicated things. Lots of toys are now electrical.

How many of your toys use batteries?





Safety Rules



Toys are now much safer than they were in the past. Toys are tested before they are sold to make sure they are safe enough for children to play with. There are also lots of rules which toy makers have to follow to ensure their toys are safe.

Many toys also show which age they are appropriate for. This helps adults to choose toys which are safe for their children to play with.

Can you think of any toys which wouldn't be safe for babies?





Attitudes



Gradually over time, attitudes towards toys have changed.

In the Victorian times, children played with specific toys, now boys and girls play with all kinds of different toys.

Schools have also changed. Schools now recognise how important it is for children to play with toys. Lots of nurseries and schools are now full of toys to help children learn.

Can you imagine what your school would be like without any toys?

