Springdale First School

Imagine, Believe, Achieve

Year 1 Design and Technology Mechanisms – Levers and Sliders)



Children's prior learning in this area **Cultural Capital Opportunities** Key vocabulary and glossary Learning about Robert Sayer, inventor of pop-up books. • Mechanism – a device used to create movement in a Junk modelling. product. Joining materials/techniques – • Lever – a rigid bar which moves around a pivot. Levers sellotape/masking tape/hole are used in many everyday products. In this project punches/staples/squeezie children will use card strips for levers and paper fasteners scissors. for pivots. Structures – materials – • Slider – a rigid bar which moves backwards and forwards purpose. along a straight line. Unlike a lever, a slider does not have a Design own product. pivot point. Group evluation. • Slot – the hole through which a lever or slider is placed to enable part of a picture to move. Sliders – moving cards in • Guide or bridge – a short card strip used to keep sliders Reception. in place and control movement. Designing and inventing in History. Pivot - the central point, pin, or shaft on which a

mechanism turns

Enquiry Question – How do the parts of a book move?

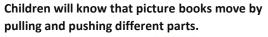
Concept - Enquire



Enquiry Question – How does a slider work?

Concept - Design - Moving picture - slider focus.







Children will know that a slider has a rigid bar which moves backwards and forwards/ upwards and downwards along a straight line.

Show children different sliders in action/everyday life – vents, windows, guillotine, pop-up books etc.

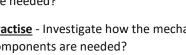
(use resources folder)

Practise - Investigate how the mechanism works – what components are needed?

Apply - Children will draw and label a slider using key vocabulary: slider, slot, pull.

You may have a picture ready for some to label & annotate.

Deepen – Chn can annotate their slider with the use of specific component and why it is used.



Apply - Children will draw and label a lever using key vocabulary: lever, pivot, input, output.

You may have a picture ready for some to label & annotate.

Deepen – Chn can annotate their slider noting the pros and cons of different slots (length – reasons for choosing different lengths).

at different Look

moving parts in everyday objects – use PP resources folder.

Tell chn about **Robert Saver** - Children will know that Robert Sayer was born in England in 1725 and died in 1794. He helped create moving picture books that were aimed at children.

A Brief History of the Pop-Up Book (bookstellyouwhy.com)

Practise – chn to explore different moving parts in pop up books.

Look at moving parts in pop up books – How do these parts move?

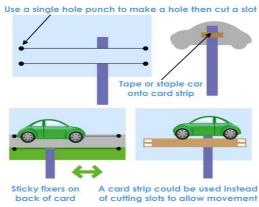
Focus on the pulling & pushing of lever/slider mechanism.

Apply – in small groups/class create a mind map of the different ways they moved and the parts that are needed for this to happen.









Enquiry Question – How does a lever work?

Concept Design- Moving picture - lever focus.



Children will know that a lever is a rigid bar which moves around a pivot. Levers are used in many everyday products. Unlike a slider, a lever has a pivot point.

Show children different levers in action/everyday life – use pop up books, pliers, scissors, hammer.

Investigate how the mechanism works – what components are needed?

Practise - Investigate how the mechanism works – what components are needed?

Levers can be used with or without a slot



A card strip is used as a lever. The fish and boat are alued to the lever which is used as a handle.

Enquiry Question – Who would this product be for?

Concept – Design



Concept - Make



Enquiry Question – Was the product fir for purpose?

Concept – Evaluate



Children will make a product for a specific user following design criteria.

R & R - joining techniques – what can the chn remember – glue/tape/flange...

Design criteria – as a class create a design criteria for a moving picture – what components, tools, materials will you need?

<u>Practise</u> – Model designing a moving picture including a slider & lever – make mistakes.

<u>Apply</u> - Chn to design their moving picture using design criteria & label the components.

<u>Deepen</u> – Annotate their designs with reasons and choices.



Children will follow steps to make their product.

Chn to follow the steps and their design to make their product.

Discuss choices using technical vocabulary:

Mechanism – a device used to create movement in a product.

- Lever a rigid bar which moves around a pivot. Levers are used in many everyday products. In this project children will use card strips for levers and paper fasteners for pivots.
- **Slider** a rigid bar which moves backwards and forwards along a straight line. Unlike a lever, a slider does not have a pivot point.
- **Slot** the hole through which a lever or slider is placed to enable part of a picture to move.
- **Guide or bridge** a short card strip used to keep sliders in place and control movement.

Pivot - the central point, pin, or shaft on which a mechanism turn.

Take pictures and record journey – chn can look at this when evaluating.

Apply – chn to follow their design & the class design criteria to make their product.

Children will evaluate their ideas against design criteria.

R&R – Give me 5! Tell me five things you know about freestanding structures.

Talk about whether their moving picture was fit for purose.

Use evaluation against design criteria – model this with a product.

Practise – test out product – is it fit for purpose? How do you know?

Apply – Evalute product against design criteria – look at a checklist toegther then chn can fill it out accornding to their product.

Talk about what went well and what might be improved.

Deepen – Explain what went well and why and then what might be improved and why.

