Push-Pull – Stage 1

Physical World Strand

Term	1	2	3	4	Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Outcome	Lesson Sequence – Overview	Resources	Word Wall
stable st	Lesson 1 Moving toys – Lesson focus p9 To capture students' interest and find out what they think about how a push or a pull affects how an object moves or changes shape. To elicit students' questions about how toys move. Students: work in teams to explore how toys move share questions about how toys move or change shape use arrows to show pushes and pulls create a list of push and pull words to develop a word wall.	 For the class class science journal word wall 1 large toy with wheels 1 large sheet of paper or cardboard for the 'Making things move' table (see 'Preparation') For each team role wristbands or badges for Manager and Speaker toys that demonstrate different types of push and pull movement on the ground, in water and in air (eg, marbles, car, wagon, ball, boat, rubber duck, paper airplane, balloon, pinwheel, playdough) 2 pieces of paper approximately 10 cm x 15 cm (eg, an A4 sheet of paper cut into quarters) 2 copies of 'Push and pull pictures' (Resource sheet 1) 	air bend big bounce change explain energy float force gravity heavy journal jump
ST1-9PW-S investigates how forces and energy are used in products	 Lesson 2 Investigating pushes and pulls at home (optional) – Lesson focus p15 To provide students with hands-on, shared experiences of pushes and pulls around the home. 	Session 1 For the class • 1 enlarged copy of 'Push-pull pursuit' (Resource sheet 2)	lif l ligh l

- describe pushes and pulls that make objects move or change shape
- investigate ways to move objects and record their ideas.

ST1-1WS-S observes, questions and collects data to communicate and compare ideas

- use oral, written and visual language to report observations and reflect on experiences of pushes and pulls in their daily lives at home
- record information in a table
- retrieve information from a table.

ST1-9PW-S investigates how forces and energy are used in products

- identify that gravity pulls down on objects
- explain that water can push up on objects in water
- discuss how scientific knowledge of pushes and pulls in water can be useful in their daily lives

ST1-1WS-S

Session 1 Push-pull pursuit

Students:

- review the pushes and pulls investigated in Lesson 1
- investigate pushes and pulls at home

Session 2 Guessing game

Students:

• play a guessing game about pushes and pulls found at home.



Lesson 3

Water, water everywhere – Lesson focus p20

• To provide students with hands-on, shared experiences of the push of water on floating objects.

Students:

- discuss and reflect on experiences with water
- push air-filled objects (balls) under water to experience the push of water
- feel the difference between a heavy object suspended in air and then in water
- create a labelled force-arrow diagram to indicate push or pull forces

For each student

• 1 copy of 'Push-pull pursuit' (Resource sheet 2)

Session 2

For each student

 the completed table 'Push-pull pursuit' (Resource sheet 2) from Session 1

pull push

move

move

observe

open

rock

roll

science

sink

small

spin toy

y water

wheels

For the class

- class science journal
- word wall
- paper towels to dry hands and mop up spills
- range of different sized balls (eg, table tennis balls, small rubber balls, basketballs).

For each team

- role wristbands or badges for Manager and Speaker
- each team member's science journal
- 1 bucket or medium-sized container filled with water

observes, questions a heavy object with thick and collects data to string tied around it (eg, 1L plastic bottle filled with water) communicate and compare ideas paper towel for mopping up contribute to spills. discussions about why objects sink or float create force-arrow diagrams to indicate push and pull forces. ST1-9PW-S For the class Lesson 4 investigates how class science journal What sinks? What floats? (optional) - Lesson focus p25 forces and energy are word wall used in products paper towels to dry hands and To provide students with hands-on, shared experiences of how to change an object that make observations mop up spills sinks into one that floats. about objects that 1 enlarged copy of 'What Students: sink or float in water sinks? What floats?' and record their work in teams to investigate objects that sink or float in water (Resource sheet 3) findings investigate how to change an object that sinks into one that floats. • an object that floats (eg, an identify ways to empty plastic bottle) change an object a large, clear plastic tub filled that sinks into one that floats with water recognise that the shape of an object For each team influences whether it • role wristbands or badges for will sink or float Manager and Speaker each team member's science ST1-1WS-S journal observes, questions 1 bucket or medium-sized and collects data to container filled with water communicate and 2 copies of 'What sinks? What compare ideas floats?' (Resource sheet 3) contribute to • 1 ball of plasticine discussions about the push of water 3 objects that sink or float and how to change from the following range: an object that sinks big and light (eg, polystyrene tray,

air-filled ball, empty plastic bottle)

into one that floats

use language and visual representations to record their ideas about sinking and floating use a table to record predictions, observations and explanations. ST1-9PW-S investigates how forces and energy are used in products identify that air is a substance that takes up space explain that air pushes up against falling objects explain that gravity pulls things down recognise that the shape and orientation of an object can influence how it falls identify things to keep the same in a fair test.	Lesson 5 Floating on air – Lesson focus p31 To provide students with hands-on, shared experiences of the push of air. Students: explore where air can be found observe and discuss the result of placing a glass containing a tissue upside down in a container of water observe and discuss the differences in the fall of a crumpled sheet of paper and a flat sheet.	- small and light (eg, paper clip, elastic band, cork, bottle top or lid) - big and heavy (eg, metal tools, a rock, a plastic bottle filled with water) - small and heavy (eg, a sinker, nuts and bolts, a ball of plasticine) For the class - class science journal - word wall - 2 sheets of A4 paper - 1 transparent plastic container - 1 transparent cup - 1 tissue For each team - role wristbands or badges for Manager and Speaker - each team member's science journal - 2 plastic bags - 2 sheets of A4 paper	
observes, questions and collects data to communicate and compare ideas compare ideas contribute to discussions about how air can push			

create a force-arrow diagram to record their ideas about how air can push on a falling object.			
stranspersions sinvestigates how forces and energy are used in products • describe their understanding of 'push', 'pull', 'float' and 'sink' • understand that the upward push of water or air on objects causes them to float in water or air • understand that the downward pull of gravity on objects causes them to sink or fall to the ground. Stanspersions and collects data to communicate and compare ideas • contribute to discussions about forces • create force-arrow diagrams to indicate push-pull forces • complete a cloze activity using the terms 'force' and 'gravity'	Lesson 6 Push meets pull – Lesson focus p35 To support students to represent and explain their understanding of how a push or pull affects how toys move or change shape, and to introduce current scientific views. Students: reflect on their observations and experiences of pushes and pulls discuss the terms 'force' and 'gravity' represent push and pull forces using force-arrow diagrams.	 For the class class science journal word wall 1 enlarged copy of 'Fantastic forces' (Resource sheet 4) factual texts about forces including gravity (see PrimaryConnections website for suggestions) For each student science journal 1 copy of 'Fantastic forces' (Resource sheet 4) 	

use subject-specific vocabulary appropriately in their writing. ST1 ODW 5		For the class
stigates how forces and energy are used in products identify and describe the effects of push and pull forces in different situations in their daily lives explain that air and water push against objects explain that gravity pulls objects to the ground.	 Lesson 7 Pulling it together – Lesson focus p47 To provide opportunities for students to represent what they know about how a push or a pull affects how an object moves or changes shape, and to reflect on their learning about pushes and pulls. Students: review this unit by using the class science journal, word wall, and 'Making things move' class table repeat 'Push and pull pictures' assessment task (Resource sheet 1) reflect on their learning during the unit. 	 class science journal word wall 'Making things move' class table 1 enlarged copy of 'Push and pull pictures' (Resource sheet 1) 1 enlarged copy of each of the 6 images on 'Push and pull pictures' (Resource sheet 1)
ST1-1WS-S observes, questions and collects data to communicate and compare ideas • contribute to discussions about push and pull forces		 science journal 1 copy of 'Push and pull pictures' (Resource sheet 1) completed 'Push and pull pictures' (Resource sheet 1) collected from students in Lesson 1

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