





Instructions:

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate vocabulary words from the word bank below.

Word Bank:

Lever, inclined plane, pulley, wedge, wheel and axle, screw

- 1. A ______ is a simple machine that is made up of a rod or plank that pivots around a fixed point, called a fulcrum. It can help lift heavy objects with less force.
- 2. An _____ is a flat surface that is sloped. It can make it easier to move objects to a higher or lower level.
- 3. A ______ is a simple machine that uses a rope or chain to help lift heavy objects.
- 4. A ______ is a simple machine that is shaped like a triangle. It can be used to split, lift or hold objects in place.
- 5. A ______ is a simple machine that consists of two circular objects of different sizes that are connected by a rod. It can be used to move objects over a distance with less force.
- 6. A ______ is a simple machine that is like an inclined plane wrapped around a cylinder. It can be used to hold objects together or to lift heavy objects.







Answer Key:

- 1. Lever
- 2. Inclined plane
- 3. Pulley
- 4. Wedge
- 5. Wheel and axle
- 6. Screw







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Fill in the blanks with the appropriate vocabulary words from the word bank below. Then, answer the questions about examples of each simple machine in the real world.

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- 1. A ______ is a simple machine that is made up of a rod or plank that pivots around a fixed point, called a fulcrum. It can help lift heavy objects with less force.
 - a. Example: A seesaw is an example of a _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a _____ in the real world?
- 2. An ______ is a flat surface that is sloped. It can make it easier to move objects to a higher or lower level.
 - a. Example: A ramp is an example of an _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of an _____ in the real world?
- 3. A ______ is a simple machine that uses a rope or chain to help lift heavy objects.
 - a. Example: A flagpole is an example of a _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a _____ in the real world?







- 4. A ______ is a simple machine that is shaped like a triangle. It can be used to split, lift, or hold objects in place.
 - a. Example: A knife is an example of a _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a _____ in the real world?
- 5. A ______ is a simple machine that consists of two circular objects of different sizes that are connected by a rod. It can be used to move objects over a distance with less force.
 - a. Example: A bicycle is an example of a _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a _____ in the real world?
- 6. A ______ is a simple machine that is like an inclined plane wrapped around a cylinder. It can be used to hold objects together or to lift heavy objects.
 - a. Example: A jar lid is an example of a _____.
 - b. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a _____ in the real world?







Answer Key:

- 1. Lever: A seesaw is an example of a lever.
 - a. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a lever in the real world? (e.g. a crowbar, a pair of scissors, a hammer)
- 2. Inclined plane: A ramp is an example of an inclined plane.
 - a. **Question**: Can you think of any other examples of an inclined plane in the real world? (e.g. a staircase, a slide, a wheelchair ramp)
- 3. **Pulley**: A flagpole is an example of a pulley.
 - a. **Question**: Can you think of any other examples of a pulley in the real world? (e.g. a flagpole, a crane, a clothesline)
- 4. Wedge: A knife is an example of a wedge.
 - a. **Question**: Can you think of any other examples of a wedge in the real world? (e.g. an axe, a doorstop, a chisel)
- 5. Wheel and axle: A bicycle is an example of a wheel and axle.
 - a. **Question**: Can you think of any other examples of a wheel and axle in the real world? (e.g. a doorknob, a rolling pin, a car)
- 6. Screw Example: A jar lid is an example of a screw.
 - a. Question: Can you think of any other examples of a screw in the real world? (e.g. a lightbulb, a drill bit, a bottle cap)