Year 6 Science Knowledge Organiser Light

Golden Thread: Sustainability



Gratitude Justice

		Objectives and S	Sticky Knowledge	
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.and	d Objectives/ Sticky Knowledge	<u>e</u>		
	Know how light travels	Know and demonstrate how we see objects	Know why shadows have the same shape as the object that casts them	Know how simple optical instruments work e.g. periscope, telescope, binoculars, mirror, magnifying glass etc.
	-Know that light travels in a straight line. -Know that light can be reflected and refracted.	-Know the different parts of the eye and their functions: that the pupil is where light enters the eye, that the lens bends the light, the iris is the muscle that controls how much light gets into the eye, the optic nerve and the retina. -Know that light reflects off objects into our eye.	-Know that when a light source shines on an object, a shadow will be created behind the object. -Know that shadows are	 -Know what each instrument is and what its function is. E.g. periscope to see over trenches in WW1. -Know the key parts of each optical instrument. E.g. lens, mirror. -Know the journey of light to the eye using these instruments, applying previous component knowledge
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Key Vocabulary				
light	A form of energy that travels in a wave from a source.			
light source	An object that makes its own light.			
reflection	Reflection is when light bounces off a surface, changing the direction of a ray of light .			
incident ray	A ray of light that hits a surface.			
reflected ray	A ray of light that has bounced back after hitting a surface.			
the law of reflection	The law states that the angle of the incident ray is equal to the angle of the reflected ray .			
refraction	This is when light bends as it passes from one medium to another. E.g. Light bends when it moves from air into water.			
visible spectrum	Light that is visible to the human eye. It is made up of a colour spectrum.			
prism	A prism is a solid 3D shape with flat sides. The two ends are an equal shape and size. A transparent prism separates out visible light into all the colours of the spectrum.			
shadow	An area of darkness where <mark>light</mark> has been blocked.			
transparent	Describes objects that let light travel through them easily, meaning you can see through the object.			
translucent	Describes objects that things let some light through, but scatters the light so we can't see through them properly.			
opaque	Describes objects that do not let any light pass through them.			

Key Knowledge

We need light to be able to see things. Light waves travel out from sources of light in straight lines. These lines are often called rays or beams of light.

Light from the sun travels in a straight line and hits the chair. The light ray is then reflected off the chair and travels in a straight line to the girl's eye, enabling her to see the chair.



normal line and reflected ray angle the reflected ray incidence light. is equal to the normal line angle of reflection. The angle of Whenever light is incidence is the reflected from incident ray angle between a surface, it the normal line this obeys and the incident angle of incidenc ray of light.

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Object

Sky objectives:

1. Ask well-considered questions that closely match personalised enquiries.

2. Skilfully plan and conduct child-led investigations, deciding which variables to control and what observations to make.

3. Use personal knowledge combined with accurate observations and data collection to draw a conclusion.







A shadow is always the same shape as the object that casts it. This is because when an opaque object is in the path of light travelling from a light source, it will block the light rays that hit it, while the rest of the light can continue travelling.

Light source



Isaac Newton shone a light through a transparent prism, separating out light into the colours of the rainbow (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet) - the colours of the spectrum. All the colours together merge and make visible light.





also be elongated or shortened depending on the angle of the light source. A shadow is also larger when the object is closer to the light source. This is because it blocks more of the light.