

## SCIENCE IN OUR WORLD

Science is used every day to make this world a great place to live!  
People use science to invent and create technology.

### What is Technology?

**Technology** is using science to solve problems.  
Technology is used to make things easier.  
Technology changes every year.

**Because people invent technology often, there are things that we have now that people did not have many years ago, such as:**

- cars
- color TVs



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### Machines

**Machines** are a kind of technology.  
Machines make doing a job take less time.

**Farmers** use machines to:

- ✓ plow their fields
- ✓ plant seeds
- ✓ pick their crops.



## Tools are Technology!

Tools help us do different jobs and make the job easier to do.

*Examples of tools:*



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A **hammer** helps put nails in wood.



## Simple Machines

A simple machine is a tool.

Simple machines make some work easier.

There are many different kinds of **simple machines**:

A **wedge** is a simple machine that pushes things apart.

A **wedge** is often used to split wood.



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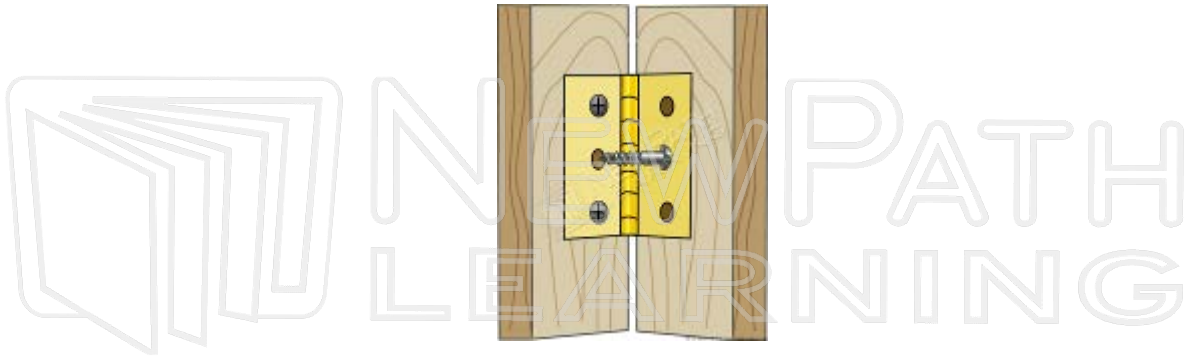
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An **inclined plane** is a simple machine that is a ramp that connects a higher area to a lower area which allows you to move an object up or down by rolling or sliding it without lifting the object directly.



A ramp is an example of an **inclined plane**.

A **screw** is a little simple machine that holds things together.



A **lever** is a simple machine that can push down on one side to raise an object on the other side.

A screw is a simple machine that holds things together.



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The image shows a group of 15 diverse children of various ethnicities and ages standing on a green grassy hill. Above each child is a thought bubble containing different educational icons: a microscope, a globe, a pie chart, a bar graph, a calculator, and a book with 'ABC' on it. The entire scene is framed by a blue border.

A pulley

A pulley is often used to lift things up really high and then down again.



A flag on a flagpole is an example of a pulley in use. The string that you pull to raise and lower the flag is part of the pulley.

## Communication

To **communicate** means to give or send information from one person to another. Some forms of technology help us communicate with others.

### Technology we use to communicate with others:

- telephone
- cell phone
- computer/Internet



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