Materials: I know why various objects are made from different materials.

Subject Specific Vocabulary	
opaque	The object does not let any light through — not see through e.g. wood, metal
transparent	The object lets all the light through — see through e.g. glass
translucent	The object lets some light through- some shapes can be seen but not clear e.g. stained glass windows, shower curtain
reflective	A shiny material e.g. silver, gold
Non- reflective	Not shiny e.g. paper
flexible	A material that is bendy or stretchy e.g. rubber
rigid	A material that is rigid (cannot be bent)



Charles Macintosh (1766-1843) was a Scottish chemist. As a small boy he really enjoyed experimenting which eventually lead him to invent waterproof fabric.

The Macintosh raincoat was named after him.





Prior Knowledge

- distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made
- identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock
- describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials
- compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties

New Knowledge

- identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses
- find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

