

Portfolio summary

This portfolio of student work shows that the student can describe competing considerations in the design of products, services and environments, taking into account sustainability (WS1, WS2, WS3). The student describes how design and technologies contribute to meeting present and future needs (WS3) and explains how the features of technologies impact on designed solutions for each of the prescribed technologies contexts (WS1, WS2, WS3).

The student can create designed solutions for each of the prescribed technologies contexts suitable for identified needs or opportunities (WS1, WS2, WS3). The student suggests criteria for success, including sustainability considerations, and uses these to evaluate their ideas and designed solutions (WS1, WS2, WS3). The student combines design ideas and communicates these to audiences using graphical representation techniques and technical terms (WS1, WS2, WS3). The student records project plans including production processes (WS2, WS3) and selects and uses appropriate technologies and techniques correctly and safely to produce designed solutions (WS2, WS3, WS4).

Work sample 1: Design project: Gardening tool

Work sample summary

Students critiqued garden tools, designed for adults, and identified the issues they have with using them. They researched ergonomics and developments by designers of garden tools in shape, size and materials used. Students explained the issues they have with their selected tool(s) and produced designed solutions to address their garden tool critique. They presented their critiques and designed solutions to the class by means of an oral and a visual presentation. Students documented the design and development process.

The focus of this task was to design and produce a product for the technologies context materials and technologies specialisations.

Years 5 and 6 subject achievement standard

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Garden tool: Presentation

Hi my name is [redacted] my tool today is a
spade the problem with a spade it can
give you splints

1

The problem that we had last time we
have fixed by putting a drink holder on
the spade

The second problem with the splintess
we have fixed by getting a meadle one

2

The third problem with it is it was to
long but we can now make it shorter

BUT MY SPADE IS ONLY \$15
NOMARLY \$39

THANK YOU FOR LOOKEING AT
MY GARDEN TOOL

THE END

Annotations

Annotation 1

Identifies problems with existing product

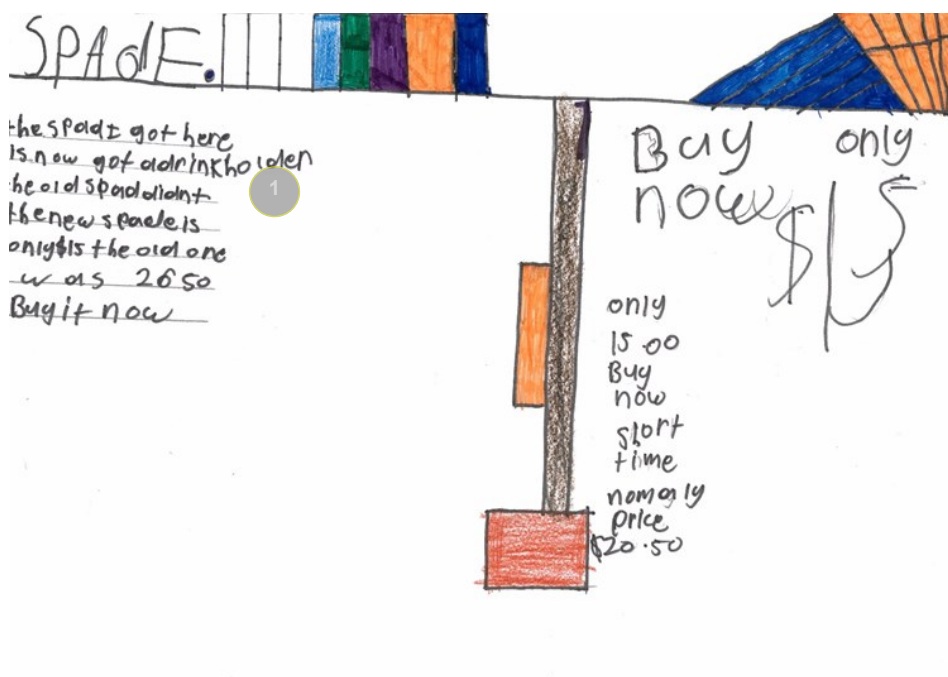
Annotation 2

Suggests design ideas to resolve identified problems

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Garden tool: Promotional poster



Annotations

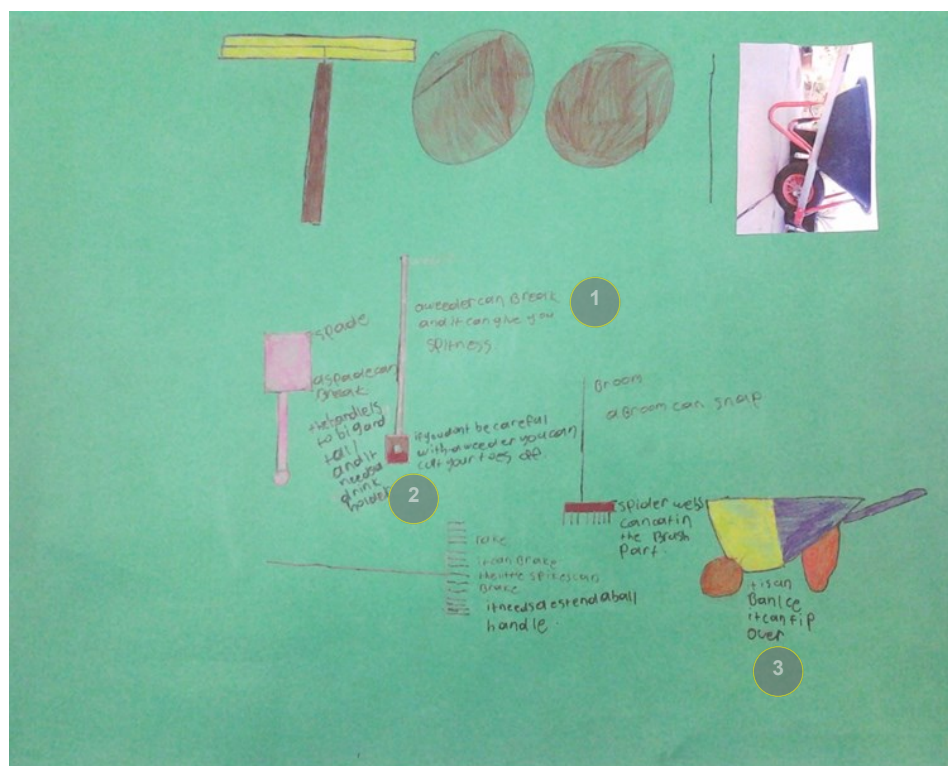
Annotation 1

Communicates a design idea in a persuasive poster with product drawing

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Garden tool: Solution



Annotations

Annotation 1

Identifies problems users face using a range of tools

Annotation 2

Identifies a novel design feature

Annotation 3

Communicates information about tools

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Work sample 2: Design project: Automata

Work sample summary

Students investigated some of the key mechanical systems that are used and relied on in daily life, such as the muscles that move their own head, unlocking and opening a door, toys that move and mechanisms in the family car. They critiqued these key mechanical systems and then developed their own ideas for a toy with moving parts, that is, an automata. Students were explicitly taught some cardboard engineering techniques such as drawing, folding, cutting, scoring and gluing. The design task was to produce a moving toy showing the interrelationships of the chosen mechanical systems and recording modifications or redesigns of the mechanism(s) throughout the project. Students then considered how their device could be automated using electrical energy to control movement.

The focus of this task was to design and produce a product for the technologies context engineering principles and systems.

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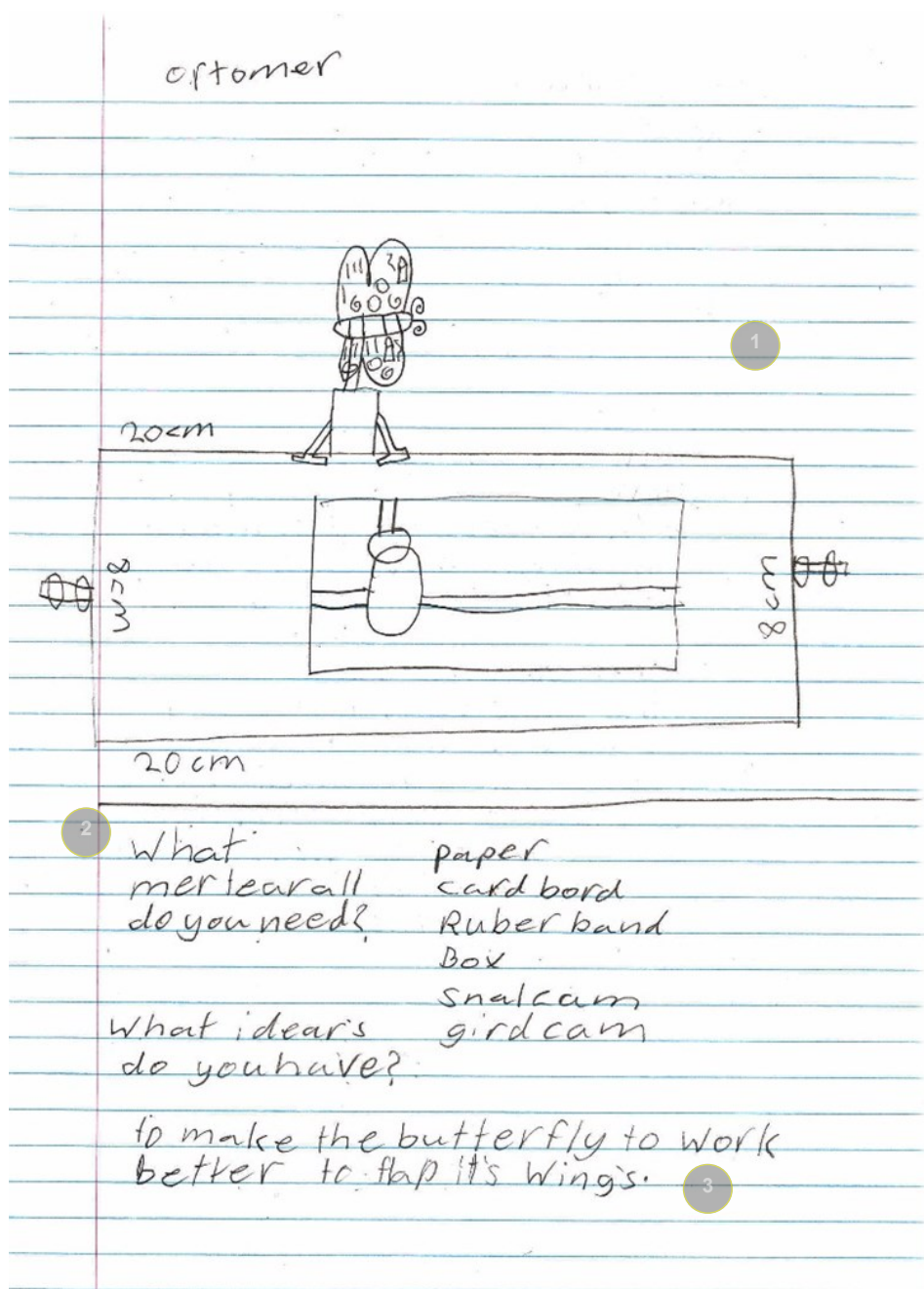
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Design portfolio excerpts



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Annotations

Annotation 1

Develops design ideas for designed solution (automata) using drawings

Annotation 2

Plans the resources needed to make the automata

Annotation 3

Identifies the action the mechanical device will mimic (the movement of a butterfly)

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mer tear all's

paper

cardbord

Ruber band

make a snal cam

make a gird cam

Box

pupe cleaner

how the wings
move?

With a Ruber band to make
the wings move with the
butterfly to move the wings.

how you make
the butterfly to move up and
down and turn around?

Well it's the snal cam
and the gird cam but
the butterfly want to ture
around when the wings
are flapping.

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Annotations

Annotation 1

Explains how the action (wings moving) will be achieved

Annotation 2

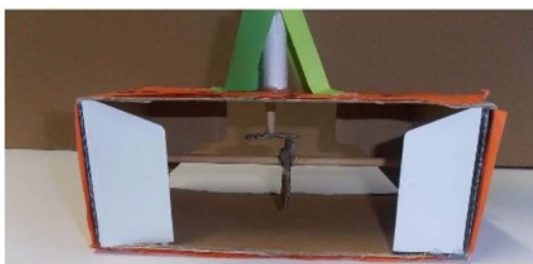
Identifies the engineering mechanisms (cams) to be used to create movement

Annotation 3

Uses technical terminology correctly

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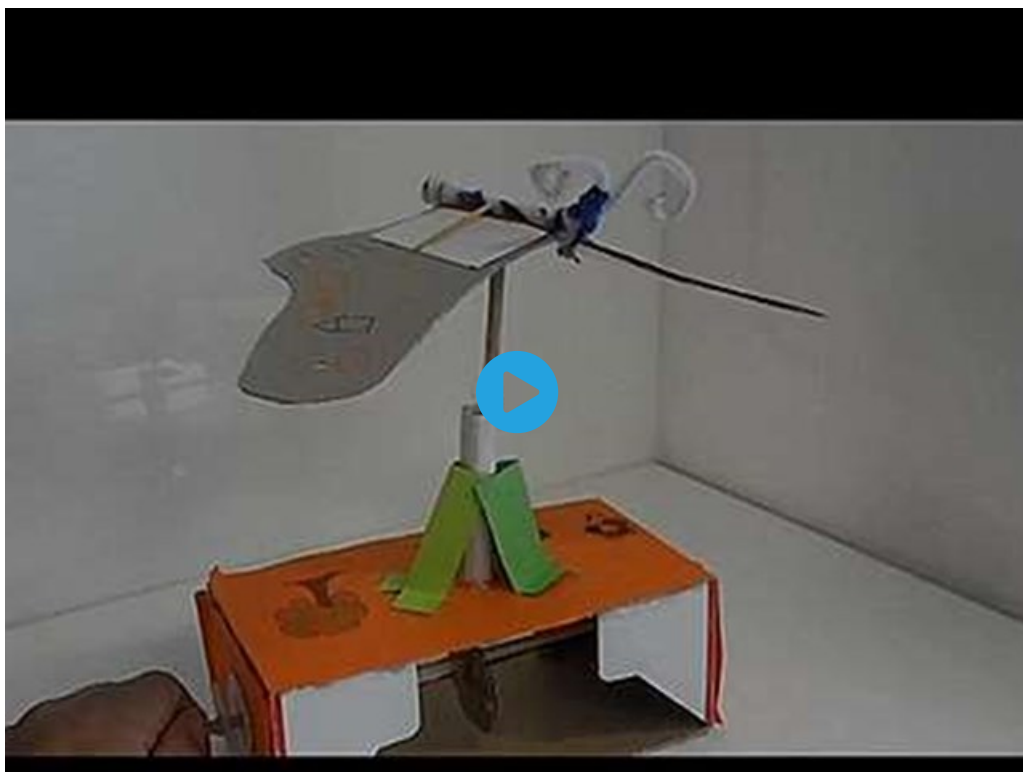
Annotation 1

Produces basic designed solution that satisfies the brief

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Demonstration



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Worksheet

Automatic automata

Automata is a type of mechanical device. What would happen if you used electrical energy to power the mechanical device?

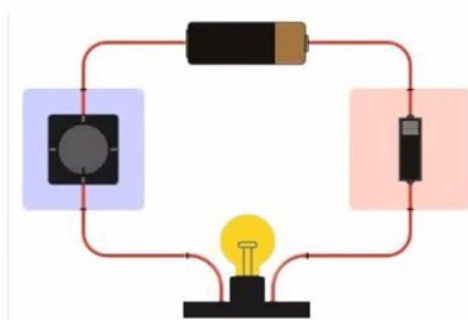
Mechanical device + electrical energy = Electromechanical device

Here's some facts:

- One use of an electrical circuit is to change electrical energy into energy of movement.
- Batteries **store** electrical energy for later use and **release** the energy when required in a closed circuit.
- Electrical motors **use** electrical energy to cause a shaft (axle) to move, that is, to turn around (rotate).
- Switches **close (complete) a circuit**, allowing electricity to flow through the wires **turning on devices** such as motors and lights.
- **Turning devices off** is done by **opening (breaking) a circuit** and stopping the flow of electricity.

Manual switches

- **Manual switches** are used by people to **close and open circuits**, for example, when we turn on and off the lights for a room.
- The diagram below shows a battery, a switch, a lamp and a settings box so the light can be made brighter.

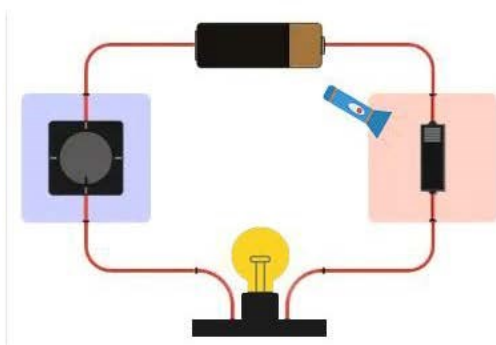


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Making it automatic

- Have you also noticed there are switches that are not turned on and off by people but that work **automatically**?
- A light sensitive 'sensor' can sense or tell when it is light and when it is dark. When it is dark it might close a circuit to turn on electric lights or electric devices and when it is light it might open a circuit to turn them off.
- Another example is a motion sensor. When someone walks past a house with a motion sensor light, the lights switch on.



Motors can also be switched on and off with manual and automatic switches.

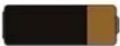







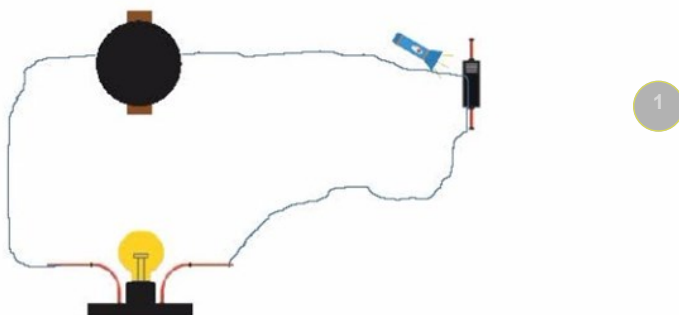
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Activity

Select the images you need from the table below to form a circuit to power your automata so that it runs without human power, that is, it runs using a motor. Copy and drag the images and add lines to create a circuit. You may need to rotate the images to make a circuit.

Battery (9 volt) 	Manual switch 
Motor 	Light sensitive switch 
Your automata 	Lamp 



Annotations

Annotation 1

Demonstrates some understanding of electrical circuits


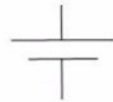
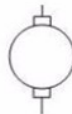
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Extension activity

Another way to represent these circuit diagrams is to use symbols (electric circuit symbols).

Investigate how these diagrams are drawn. Using the symbols below to draw an open circuit that includes a battery, switch and motor.

Switch	Battery	Motor
		



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Annotations

Annotation 1

Attempts to represent a circuit using symbols

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Work sample 3: Design project: Kitchen garden

Work sample summary

Students investigated the advantages of planting crops in season, or of adapting the environment to extend the life of plants. They investigated nutrient requirements for plants and optimal growing conditions. Students designed and planned a garden for food consumption for the school, considering a range of factors. They justified their decisions and presented their findings to the class. As part of the presentation, students discussed an improved layout for the existing school garden and made recommendations for change.

Students researched and produced a healthy snack for a specific dietary requirement. They described and demonstrated safety considerations when processing, preparing and presenting their product, and experimented with plating and presentation of the food for visual appeal using digital photographs.

The focus of this task was to design and produce an environment and a healthy food product for the technologies context food and fibre production/food specialisations.

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Presentation



Annotations

Annotation 1

Identifies list of fruits and vegetables for the designed solution (garden)

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contents



Why do I want a school garden?

- ❧ 1. food for the canteen
- ❧ 2. It is fun to work in
- ❧ 3. It's relaxing
- ❧ 4. Learning to care for plants
- ❧ 5. Learning new skills

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Annotations

Annotation 1

Outlines reasons for a school garden

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What is in my garden..



- ☞ Ducks, solar energy, a windmill, garden beds.
- ☞ Compost bin, enviro cycle and water tank.

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Annotations

Annotation 1

Identifies some design features for the designed solution (garden)



Thanks for witching



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Recipe

Creating a dietary suitable snack

Number:

Chosen Food Intolerance: Egg intolerance 1

RECIPE

Blender
3 glasses
3 straws
Knife

6 banana, frozen, peeled 2
3 cup strawberries
4 cup pineapple juice
6 strawberry and a small slice of pineapple, to serve

1. Place banana strawberries pineapple juice in the jug of the blender.
2. Blend until smooth
3. Pour into a serving glass

How did your recipe cater for your chosen food intolerance?

Our group chose egg intolerance.

Our recipe catered for egg intolerance by not putting any egg into our recipe.

PHOTOS



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Annotations

Annotation 1

Identifies an opportunity (food intolerance) for a designed solution

Annotation 2

Identifies some equipment and ingredients required to complete the designed solution (make the fruit smoothie)

Annotation 3

Explains most steps of the procedure to produce the designed solution (fruit smoothie)

Annotation 4

Works collaboratively and safely when pouring liquids

Annotation 5

Prepares and serves a basic recipe

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Work sample 4: Video: Safe procedures

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Students filmed or photographed activities in which they were selecting technologies and applying safe procedures.

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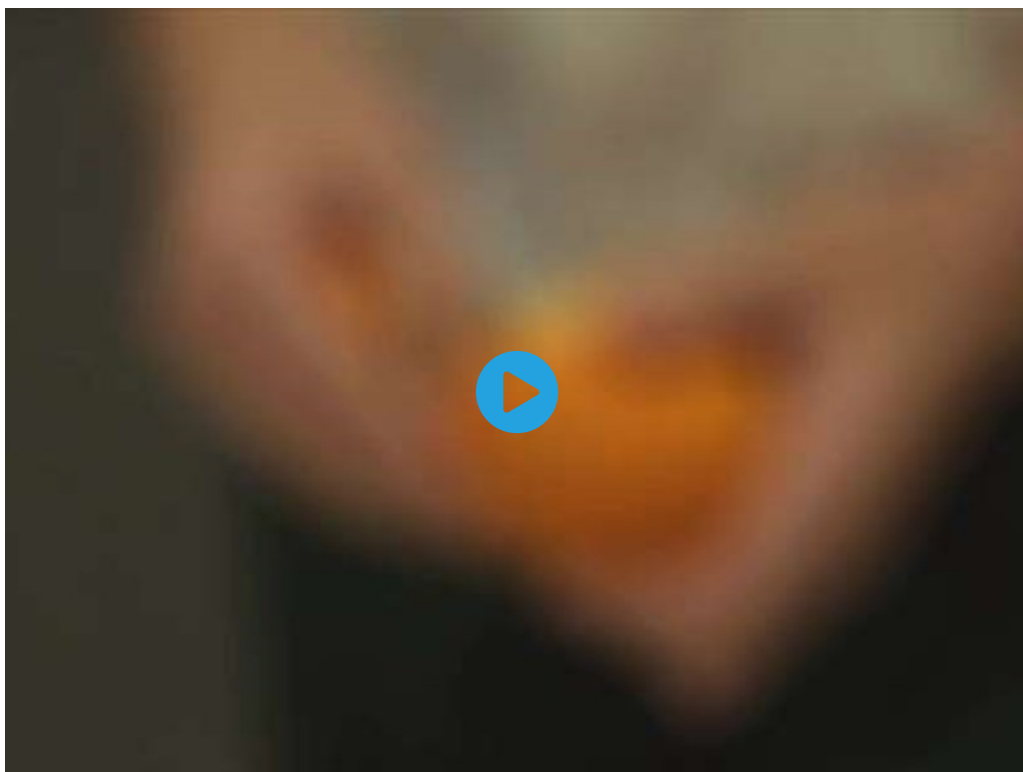
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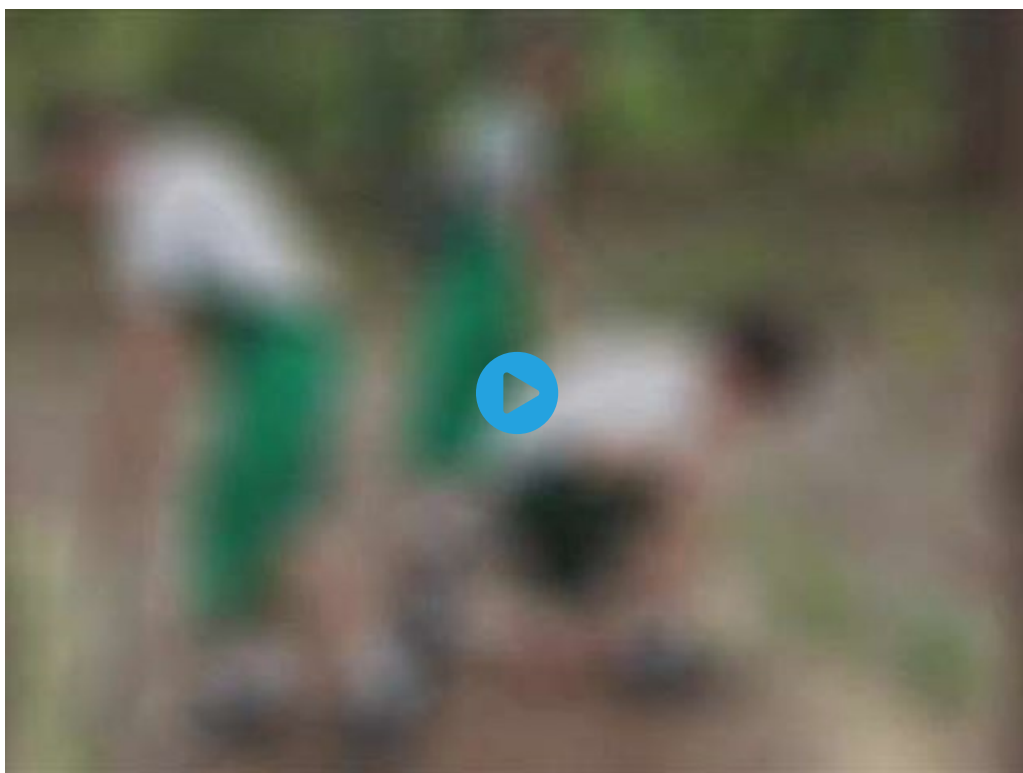
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Safe procedures: Food



Safe procedures: Tools



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