

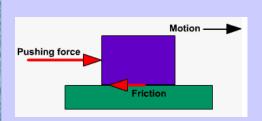
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The Big Questions

- What if we had magnets on the end of our fingers?
- Which type of rock would be best to use for a skate-park?

Core Knowledge



https://easyscienceforkids.com/all-about-force-push-and-pull/

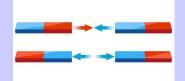


Gravity constantly pulls things toward the ground https://k8schoollessons.com/gravity-for-kids/



https://courses.lumenlearning.com/physics/chapter/22-1magnets/

- Some commonly observed forces are friction, gravity and magnetism
- Forces can be described as either a push or a pull
- Forces can make things move, change the speed of movement (either speed up or slow down), change the direction of movement, or change the shape or size of objects
- The texture of different surfaces can create different amounts of friction and affect how objects move across them
- In diagrams, we use an arrow to show the direction and size of a force
- If forces are balanced, there is no movement
- Some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance
- Magnets have two poles, one at each end, called the North and South poles. Opposite poles attract each other (pull towards each other), while the same poles repel each other (push away from each other)



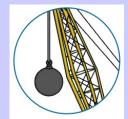


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Core Knowledge

- Objects can be grouped on the basis of the materials they're made from and whether these are magnetic or not
- Magnetic materials tend to contain iron, but there are some metals, such as gold and silver, which do not and are, therefore, not magnetic
- Magnets are used in many common appliances, such as fridges and phone cases. They are used in industry and come in many shapes and sizes.











Key vocabulary

Friction— a force that acts between two objects

Gravity—a force that pulls all objects towards the Earth

Magnetism—a force that affects metallic objects

Magnetic attraction — when an object is drawn (pulled) towards another because of its magnetic force

Magnetic repulsion (repelling) - when an object is pushed away from another because of its magnetic force

Magnetic poles — the opposite ends or sides of a magnet

Ferrous metals — metals containing iron, which tend to be magnetic

Balanced force — forces which are equally strong in all directions . This results in no movement

As scientists we will

- Ask questions about, and explore, how things move on different surfaces
- Plan and set up our own fair tests to answer these questions
- Evaluate our tests and results
- Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and predict which materials they will attract
- Say what we have found out about the strengths of different magnets and relate these findings to their uses













