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# Simple Machines Match

**Directions:** Match the simple machine to its operation.

lever

a wheel with a groove around the outside edge where a rope is placed and is used to make pulling objects upward easier

wheel & axle

two inclined planes joined back to back that fit into crevices and are used to split things in two

wedge

a straight rod or board that pivots on a point called a fulcrum which can be moved depending weight of the object and the force needed; used to make lifting easier.

inclined plane

an inclined plane wrapped around a cylinder which easily moves through material such as wood

pulley

a set of wheels connected by a smaller cylinder, called an axle, allowing the set to turn; makes moving objects easier

screw

a sloping surface, used to alter the effort and distance involved in doing work, such as lifting loads

**Directions:** Look around your classroom. Find examples of each simple machine.

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