Mechanical systems - Pneumatic toys

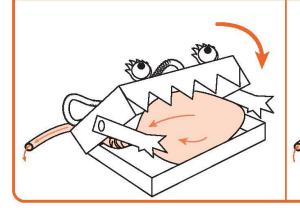
Key facts

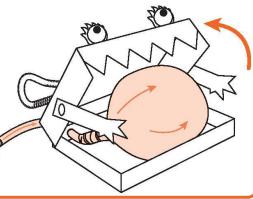


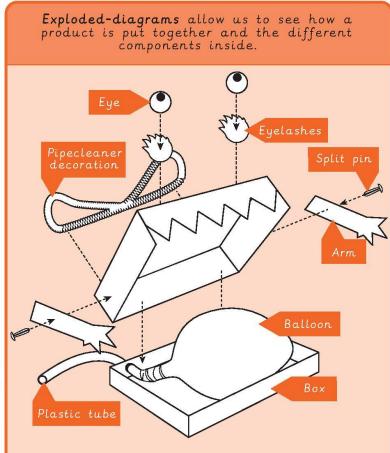
Exploded-diagram	A diagram which shows all of the parts of a product, including the internal and external parts.	
Function	How something works.	
Input	Input is the motion used to start a mechanism.	
Linkage	Lengths of material (for example, metal or card) that are joined together by pivots, so that the links can move as part of a mechanism.	
Mechanism	The parts of an object that move together as part of a machine.	
Motion	The movement an object makes when controlled by an input or output (e.g. left, right, up, down).	
Net	A 2D flat shape, that can become a 3D shape once assembled.	
Output	Output is the motion that happens as a result of starting the input.	
Pivot	The central point, pin, or shaft on which a mechanism turns or swings.	
Pneumatic system	A mechanism that runs on air or compressed gas.	
Thumbnail sketch	Small drawings to get ideas down on paper quickly.	

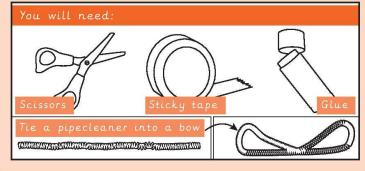
When air exits the balloon, the monster's mouth closes.

When air enters the balloon, the monster's mouth opens.









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Sessions and Key Learning

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Session	Key Learning	Activity
1	Exploring pneumatic systems	Introducing key vocabulary
	Does water have power?	Exploring pneumatic systems through experiments with tubing and syringes
	What causes waves?	
	How is most electricity made?	CH: What happens when a tyre is pumped up?
2	Designing a pneumatic toy	Vocabulary matching in pairs
	What are our key components?	Share STEM video link and discuss share ideas
	What will move on our toy?	Complete initial thumbnail sketches
	What will our inputs and outputs be?	
3	Designing a pneumatic toy	Review thumbnail sketches
	What is its purpose?	Exploded diagram for idea
	What pneumatic systems will you use?	Detail materials to be used
4	Creating a pneumatic system	Present ideas to class – act like a professional.
	How will your design work?	Building casing and pneumatic system
5	Creating a pneumatic system	Experiment, amend and review
	Which ones work best and why?	Complete moving model
		Peer assessment
6	Decorating our pneumatic toy	Complete design and share with Year 1/2