

# GCSE DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY: RESISTANT MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY

Unit 1 Written Paper

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## Preliminary Material

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**Context:** Organising remote controls in the home.

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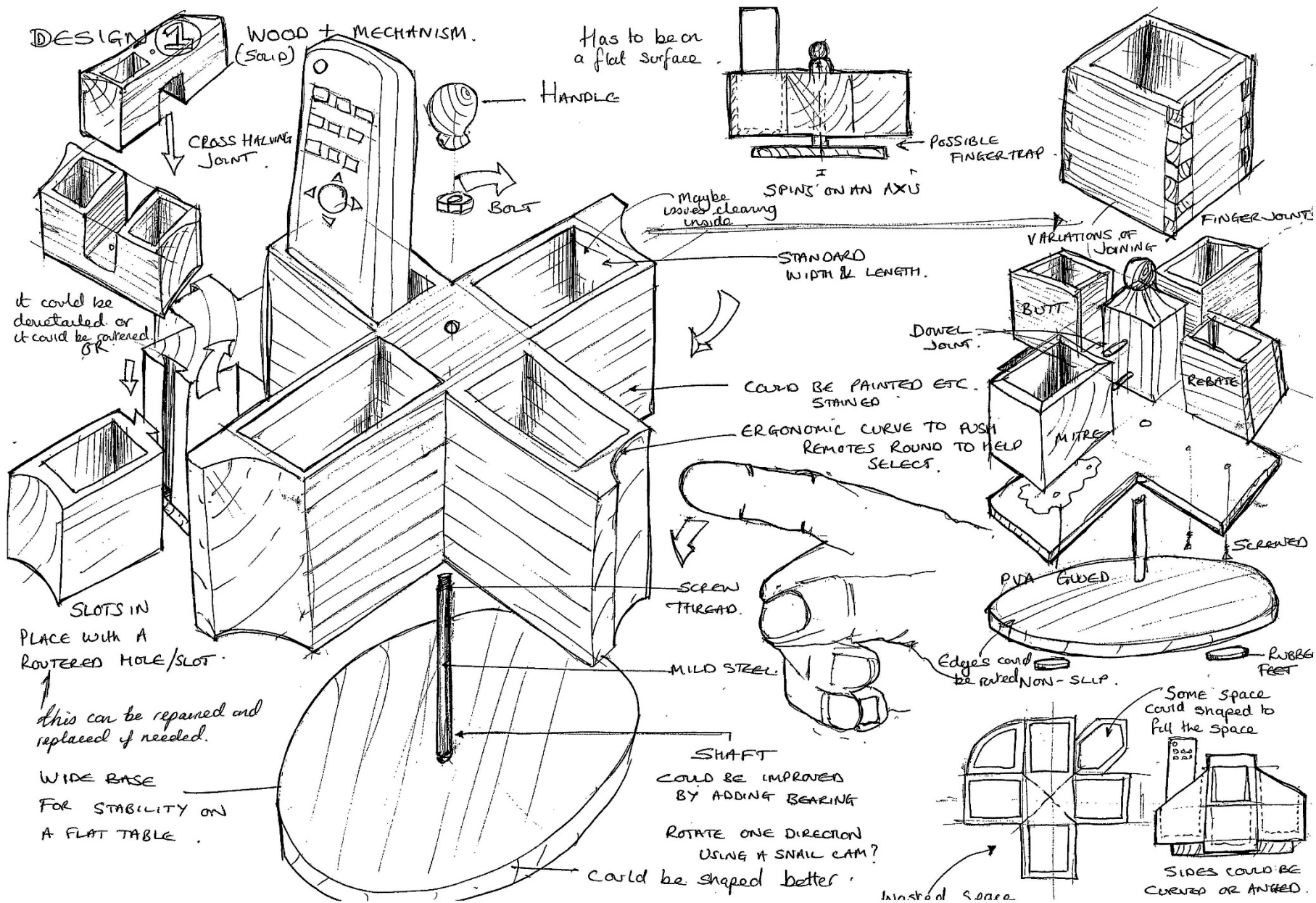
**CONTEXT :- REMOTE CONTROL STORAGE**

Keep it simple and explain:

Materials

Construction techniques

**PRACTISE DRAWING WHATS ON THE SHEET!!!**

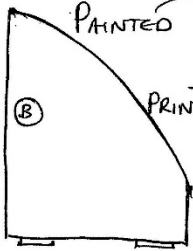
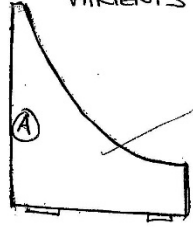


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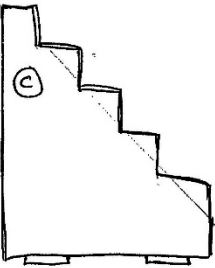
DESIGN 2

WOOD (COMPOSITE)  
(MDF)  
OTHER JOINTS CAN  
BE USED

SIDE DESIGN  
VARIANTS



SUBLIMATION  
PRINTED



TO AVOID WASTE  
USE THE ACRYLIC  
SQUARES AS FEET TO  
PICK UP ON COLOUR

MDF PRIMED

Jigs/Fixtures and  
use of templates for  
QA, etc.

Acrylic, laser cut and  
then folded around a former.

INTERCHANGEABLE

COULD BE  
THICK CARD IF  
NOT ACRYLIC

SLOPE ACCOMMODATES  
DIFFERENT SIZE/HEIGHT  
OF REMOTE CONTROLS

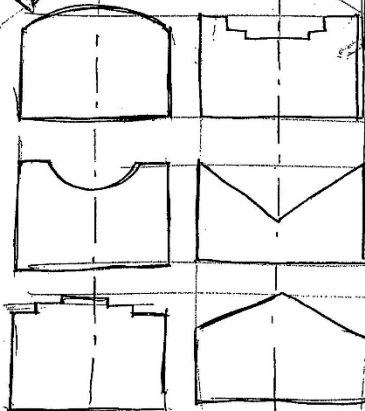
CUT FROM ONE  
PIECE

REMOVABLE  
TO ALLOW  
CLEANING

DOWEL JOINTS

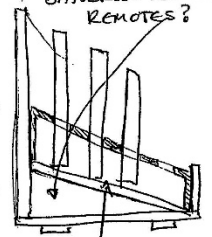
POSSIBLE TO SELF ASSEMBLE

FRONT DESIGN  
VARIANTS  
JUST CHANGE  
ONE ELEMENT



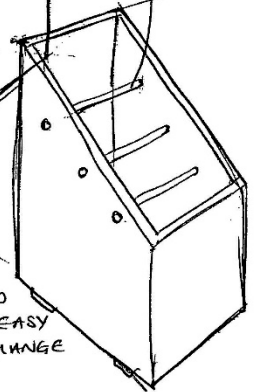
USE POSITIVE AND  
NEGATIVE SHAPES. EASY  
WAY TO QUICKLY CHANGE  
A FEATURE

STORAGE FOR SPARE  
BATTERIES FOR THE  
REMOTES?



AN ANGLED BASE  
COULD ALSO BE  
INSERTED TO  
MAKE REMOTES  
THAT ARE THE  
SAME SIZE  
EASIER TO  
TAKE OUT

JUST USED  
DOWELS TO  
SEPERATE THE  
CONTROLLERS

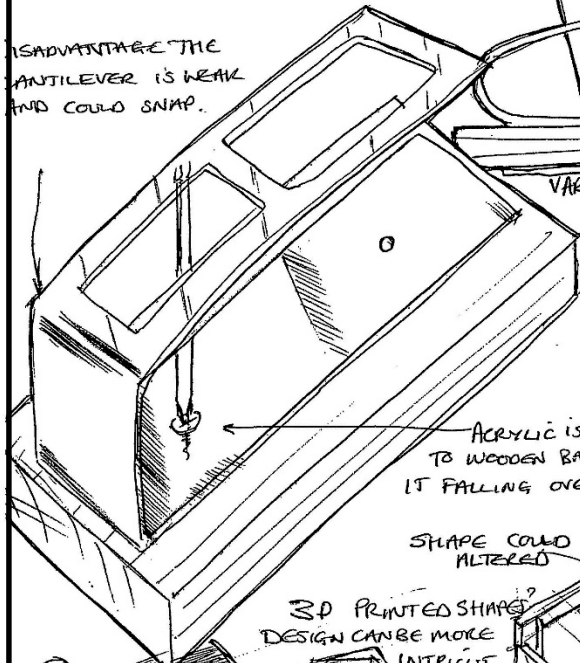




# PRACTISE DRAWING WHATS ON THE SHEET!!!

## PLASTIC DESIGN. ①

IS ADVANTAGE THE  
ANTILEVER IS WEAK  
AND COULD SNAP.



VARIATION OF DESIGN

HOLES WOULD NEED TO  
LIVE UP (COULD JUST  
BE ONE SLOT THOUGH.)

LASER CUT &  
HEAT BEAT WITH  
STRIP BENDER OR  
HEAT GUN

ACRYLIC CUT  
OUTS COULD MAKE FEET

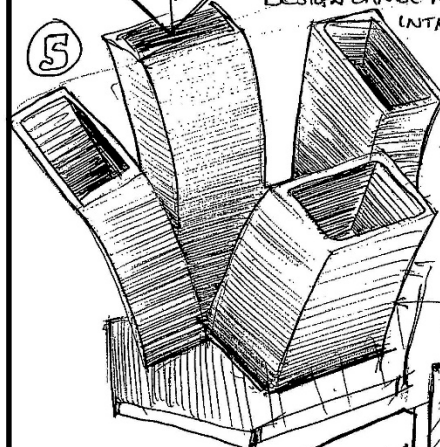
PARTITIONS CAN  
SLOT IN.

STRIPS SLOED TO  
SIDES

ACRYLIC IS SCREWED  
TO WOODEN BASE TO STOP  
IT FALLING OVER.

SHAPE COULD BE  
ALTERED

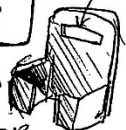
3D PRINTED SHAPE  
DESIGN CAN BE MORE  
INTRICUT.



CAN BE  
BENT WITH  
HEAT.

⑥

REMOTES CAN THEN  
BE HUNG ON TO  
A RACK AND COLOUR  
CODED.



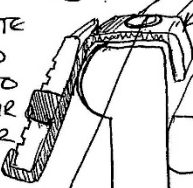
CLIP FITS ON TO REMOTE  
HOOK COULD  
BE EXTENDED TO  
FIT OVER CHAIR  
OR TO HOOK OVER  
TELEVISION

DRINKS HOLDER?

PATTERN COULD BE  
ENGRAVED OR PRINTED ON  
USING SUBLIMATION PRINT.

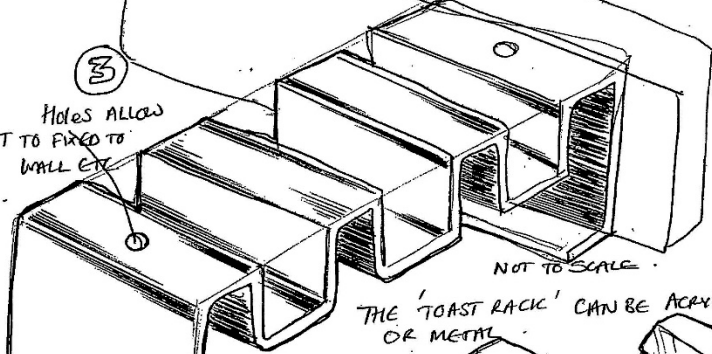
ADVERTISEMENTS FOR CHARITY(?)

BOX COULD BE USED FOR OTHER  
STORAGE ISSUES



③

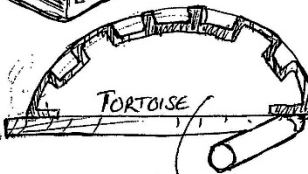
HOLES ALLOW  
IT TO BE FIXED TO  
WALL ETC.



NOT TO SCALE.

THE 'TOAST RACK' CAN BE ACRYLIC  
OR METAL

FEET BENT IN  
FOR STABILITY.

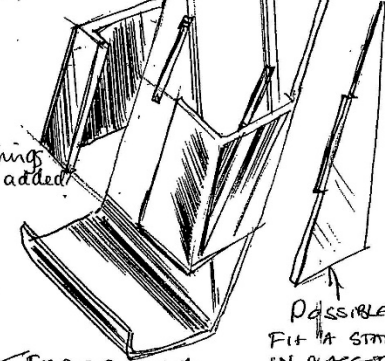


POSSIBLE FIXED TO WALL OR A BASE

④

CAN BE MORE  
ANGLED

could  
other things  
be added



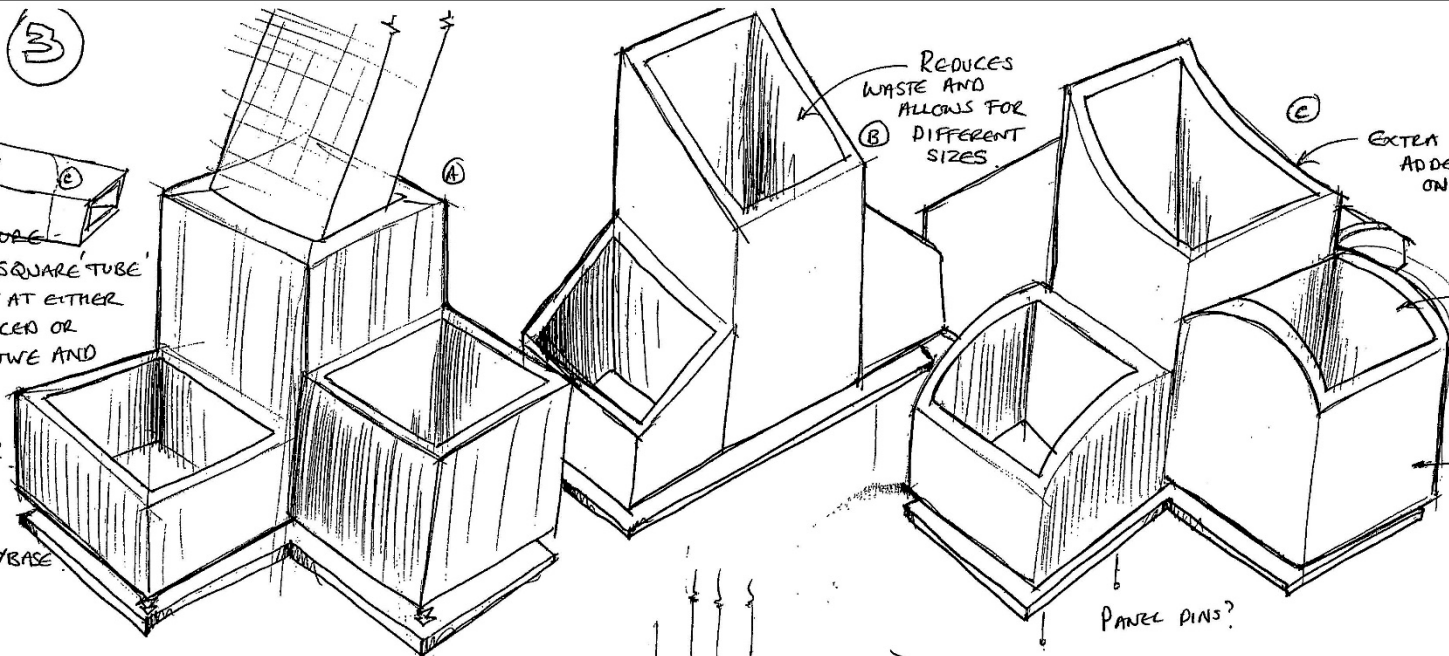
POSSIBLE TO  
FIT A STAND  
IN PLACE TO  
STAND UP  
WARDS.

FOLDED ON A  
STRIP BENDER LASER  
CUT OUT

# DESIGN (3) WOOD:

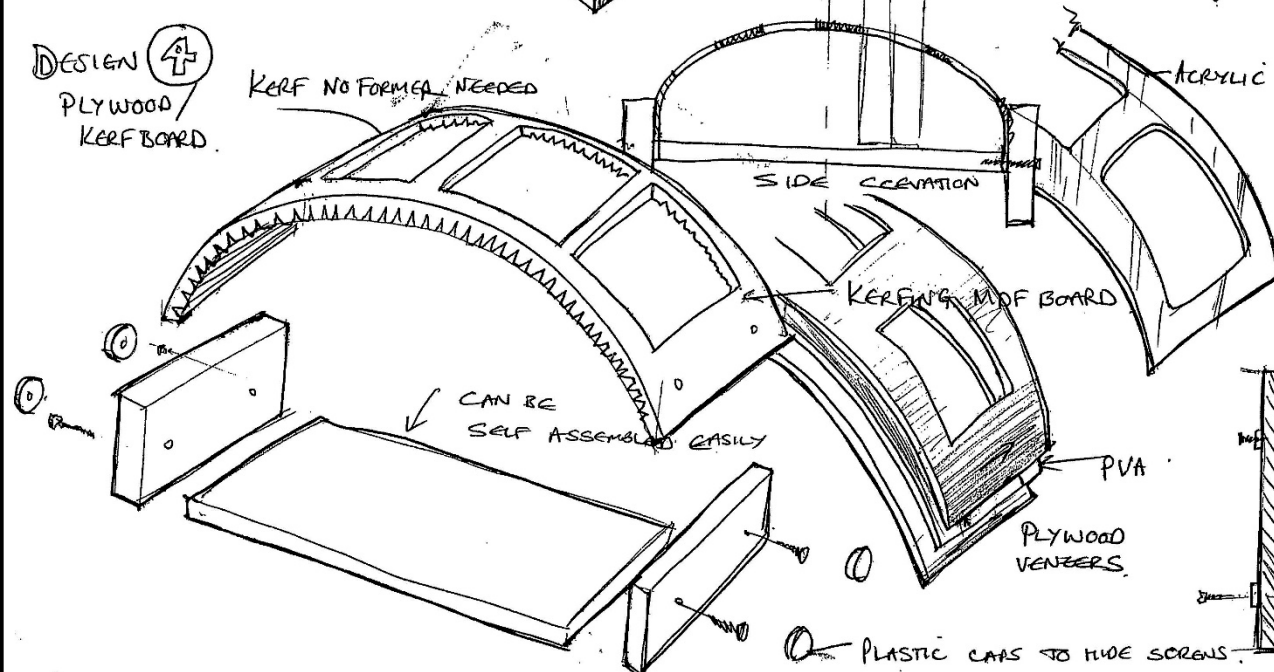


TO MANUFACTURE:  
ASSEMBLE A SQUARE TUBE  
BOX AND CUT AT EITHER  
SQUARE/ ANGLED OR  
CURVED POSITIVE AND  
NEGATIVE  
SHAPES. THEN  
GLUE TOGETHER  
PLACE ON  
TO A HARD  
BOARD OR PLYBASE

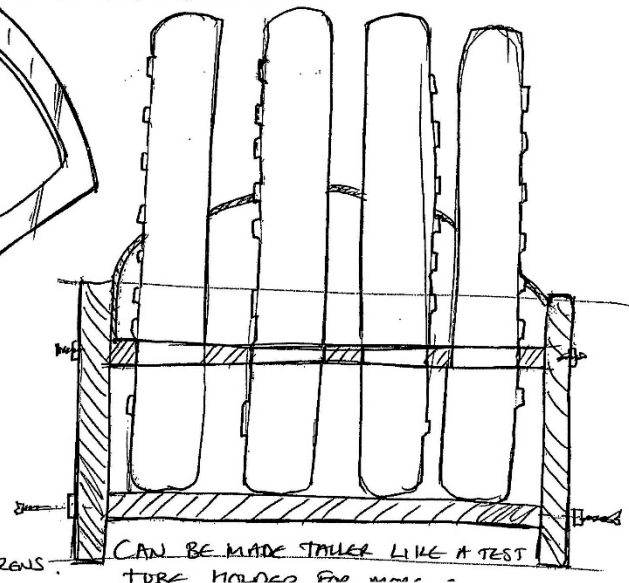


# DESIGN (4) PLYWOOD/ KERF BOARD

KERF NO FORMER NEEDED



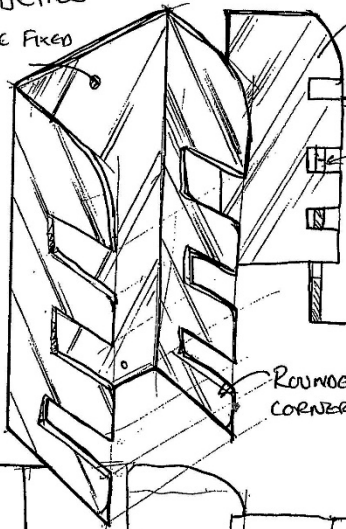
ACRYLIC OR METAL SUCH AS BRASS, COPPER, OR ALU.



PRACTISE DRAWING WHATS ON THE SHEET!!!

# METALS Design ①

CAN BE FIXED TO WALL



Simple sheet metal design  
Folded using sheet bender

Recesses would be 'Punched' out may be drop forger or drop press.

ROUNDED CORNERS FOR SAFETY

⑤

FERRIC METAL

FOLD LINE WOULD IT RUST?

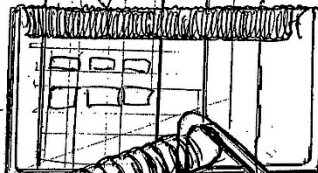
RESSALMIZE ON NESTING TO SAVE MATERIAL

MAGNET

BASE NEEDS TO BE HEAVY

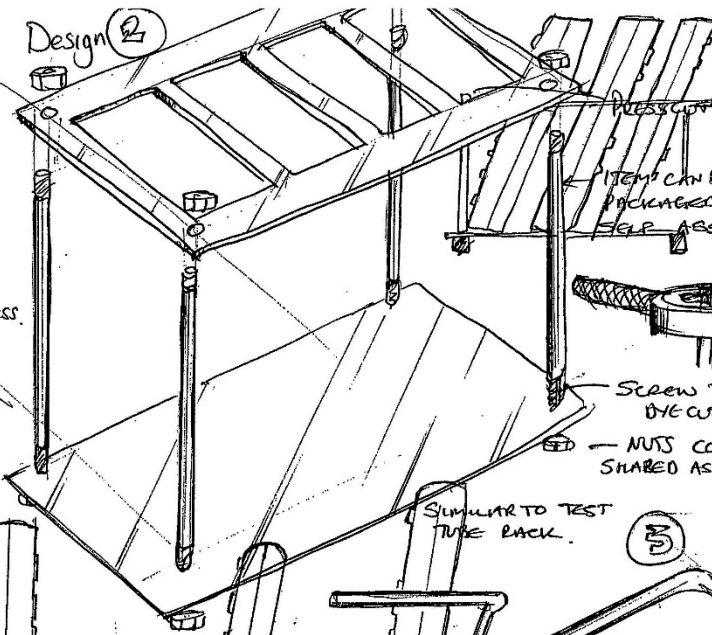
CAN IT AFFECT THE 'EMF'?

REMOTES USE MAGNETIC ATTRACTION



'cat's' cradle

## Design ②



ITEM CAN BE PACKAGED AND SELF ASSEMBLE

SCREW THREAD DYE CUT  
NUTS COULD BE SHARED AS FEET

SIMILAR TO TEST TUBE RACK

CAN BE FINED IN BOTH WAYS

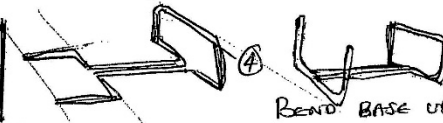
More stable?

SPRINGS - can take all shapes/sizes of remote. Danger of pinching skin etc  
frame is bent around former

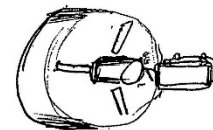
Could 'elastic' be safer?  
① BEND/PRESS INTO SHAPE.



③ BEND THE TOP UP.



BEND BASE UP.



Turning on a lathe to make the top caps



Could be Aluminium

ANNEALED METAL BAR (MILD STEEL)

FORMED AND BENT AROUND FORMER

Mild steel. Possibly Protected by:  
\*fluidised bed dip  
\*Galvanised  
\*Electroplated.

PRACTISE DRAWING WHATS ON THE SHEET!!!

## PRACTICE DRAWING A BASIC HOLDER

1 Draw your profile of the side of the shape in 2d (flat)

2 Project your lines away from every corner. Keep them the same length and the same angle (ideally 45°)

3 Draw in the edges of the other sides.

4 Draw a square inside the top edge.

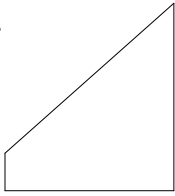
5 Draw a line across the square to partition the inside of the box.

6 Project the lines down to complete the drawing.

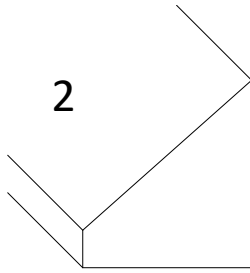
7 To fill the space draw the front view and side view next to it as these can often provide areas TO ADD DETAIL AND ANNOTATE.

8 TRY EXPERIMENTING WITH DIFFERENT SHAPES !

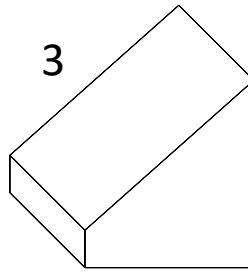
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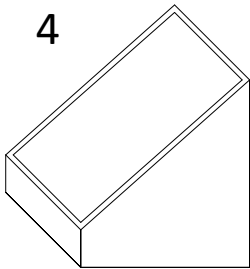
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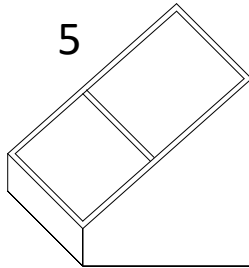
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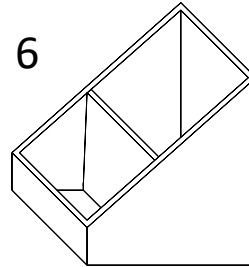
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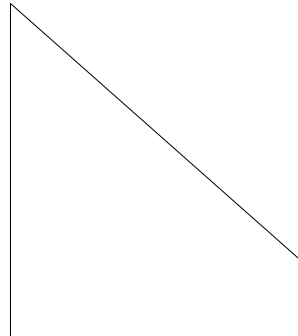
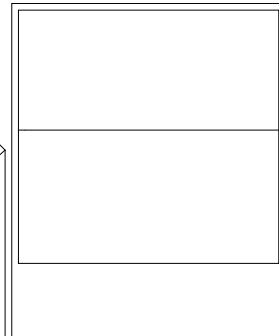
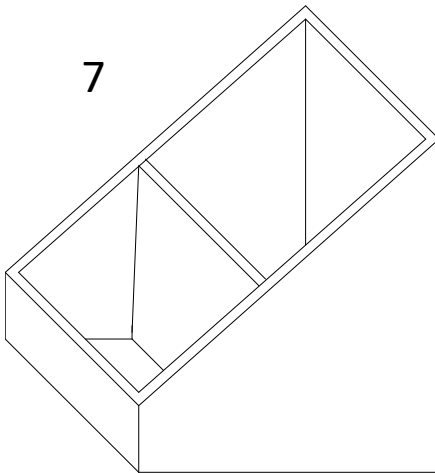
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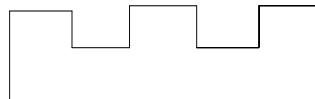
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PRACTISE DRAWING WHATS ON THE SHEET!!!





1) What type of plastic family is more suitable? Name a suitable type of plastic and explain why you have selected that material (properties etc.).

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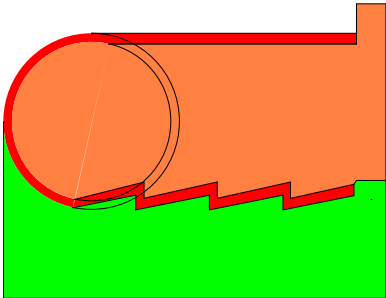
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Assume that this product will need to be manufactured out of Timber.



- 1) What type of wood family is more suitable? Name a suitable type of Wood and explain why you have selected that material (properties etc.).

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- 2) Using some of the images below explain (use sketches if necessary) how this product would be manufactured (eg cut out, joined and finished)

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- 3) Give an advantage and disadvantage of this product.

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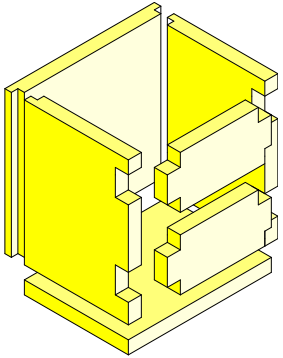
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- 3) Give an advantage and disadvantage of this product.

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1) What type of metal family is more suitable? Explain why you have selected that material (properties etc.).

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Assume that this products prototype has been manufactured by using 3d printing.

1) What type of material suitable? explain why you have selected that material (properties etc.).

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2) Using images explain (use sketches if necessary) how this product would be manufactured

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3) Give 2 advantages and two disadvantages of manufacturing this product.

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Assume that this product will need to be manufactured out of plastic.



- 1) What type of plastic family is more suitable? Name a suitable type of plastic and explain why you have selected that material (properties etc.).

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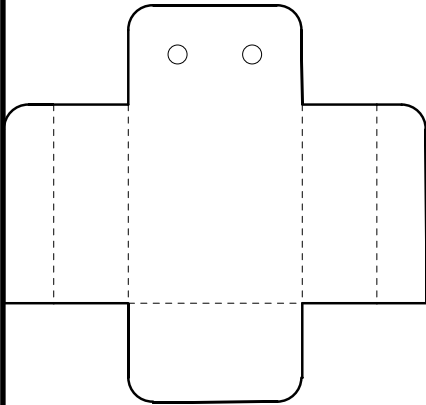
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## DUAL CODING — A WAY TO REVISE AND RETAIN (bilingual processing)

Recall/recognition is enhanced by presenting information in both visual and verbal form. Paviavo 1986

The objects were presented as words, pictures, or word-picture pairs. The response times were slowest for word-word pairs, intermediate for the picture-word pairs, and fastest for the picture-picture pairs.

**Aoccdrnig to a rscheearch at Cmabrigde  
Uinervtisy, it deosn't mttar in waht  
oredr the ltteers in a wrod are, the olny  
iprmoetnt tihng is taht the frist and lsat  
ltteer be at the rghit pclae. The rset can  
be a toatl mses and you can sitll raed it  
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# Chapter 17 – Polymers

## Objectives

- Know the primary sources of materials for producing polymers
- Be able to recognise and characterise different types of polymers
- Understand the physical and working properties for a range of thermoplastic and thermosetting polymers

## Polymers

Plastics are mainly synthetic materials made from **polymers** traditionally derived from finite petrochemical resources such as oil, gas and coal, but are increasingly produced from sustainable sources such as vegetable starches. There are also some naturally occurring polymers such as amber and rubber.

## Categorisation

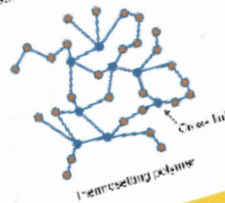
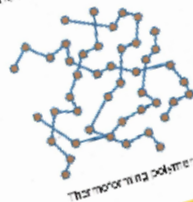
Plastics are categorised into two types: **thermoforming** and **thermosetting plastics**. They can be derived from three sources: synthetic compounds, naturally occurring compounds and plant based starches. Synthetic polymers are by far the most common.

### Thermoplastic

This group, known as **thermoplastics**, is generally more flexible, especially when heated. This is owing to their physical structure: polymer chains are quite loosely entangled with very few cross links. This allows the chains to easily slide past each other when heated. They can be formed into complex shapes and many can be reformed multiple times. Thermoplastics are commonly used in processes such as vacuum forming, injection moulding and blow moulding. They are also easier to recycle.

### Thermosetting plastics

Thermosetting plastics or **thermosets** are more rigid and, as the name suggests, once they are formed or 'set', they cannot be reformed. The long polymer chains have many more cross links between them which stops the molecular chains in the plastic moving. As a result they are generally harder and more brittle than thermoplastics. They make excellent electrical insulators and have good resistance to heat and chemicals. When thermosets are heated, they tend to burn rather than melt making most thermosetting plastics difficult to recycle. New types of recyclable thermosetting plastics are being developed. This technology has the potential to reduce waste.



Q1

What molecular property allows thermoplastics to have more flexibility when heated?

Image	Characteristics	Example uses
	Dimensionally stable, easily blow moulded, chemically resistant and fully recyclable	Bottles, food packaging, shelving and some food wraps
	Lightweight, rip resistant, premium recycled	Wk bottles, gloves, storage crates, hard hats and window vinyls
	High strength, chemically resistant, tough and easily extruded	Raincoats, pipes, electrical tape, air mattresses and self-adhesive vinyl
	Very flexible and tough with a high ratio of strength to weight. It is blow moulded and easily extruded into rolls of film	Plastic carrier bags, refuse bags, piping, bottles and some plastic food wraps
	Flexible, tough, lightweight, chemically resistant and safe	Kitchen, medical and stationary products, rods
	Very clear, tough and safe	Vacuum formed products such as food containers or yogurt pots
	Very clear, tough and safe	Wk bottles, food packaging, shelving and some food wraps

## Common thermosetting plastics

The properties of the most commonly used thermosetting plastics are similar to each other, most are quite easily distinguished from thermoplastics. They are rigid but brittle and they break at very high heat.

Name	Appearance	Image	Characteristics	Example uses
Epoxy resin (EP)	Supplied as two liquids: a resin and a hardener. Both are clear, when mixed, sets clear with a very fine texture. Can be coloured.		Stronger than other resins, better strength to weight ratio, expensive, heat resistant, and a good electrical insulator. High VOCs when curing.	Bonding different materials together, electronic circuit boards, waterproof coatings, used in fiberglass and laminates
Melamine formaldehyde (MF)	Formed and moulded into a smooth, shapable, many colours and can be printed.		Very smooth finish, many white, limited colours available, very versatile	Kitchenware and electrical components, heat resistant, brittle but not microwave safe
Urea formaldehyde (UF)	Similar to epoxy resin, it is supplied as a resin and a hardener (butylate). Butylate is clear, very smooth and can be coloured.		Non-soluble, very good electrical insulator, heat, brittle, very poor fire resistance	Kitchenware and electrical components, heat resistant, brittle but not microwave safe
Polyester resin (PR)	Previously used on moulded colour palette with high gloss finish.		Non-soluble, very good electrical insulator, heat, brittle, very poor fire resistance	Kitchenware and electrical components, heat resistant, brittle but not microwave safe
Phenol formaldehyde (PF)	Previously used on moulded colour palette with high gloss finish.		Non-soluble, very good electrical insulator, heat, brittle, very poor fire resistance	Kitchenware and electrical components, heat resistant, brittle but not microwave safe

Q2

What are the basic common properties that nearly all plastics possess?

Q3

Justify which category of plastic would be best suited to making drinking straws.

INFORMATION FROM A TEXT BOOK IS CONDENSED TO .....

# Plastics

There are two happy families of plastic — thermoplastics and thermosetting plastics. They've got different properties, so don't go mixing them up — some of them are well 'n' good.

## Thermoplastics are Recyclable and Bendy

- 1) Thermoplastics don't resist heat well — they're easily formed into different shapes by heating, melting and moulding.
- 2) Because thermoplastics can be melted, they are recyclable.
- 3) Examples of thermoplastics are acrylic, ABS, polystyrene, HIPS (high impact polystyrene) and polyethylene (polythene).



## Thermosetting Plastics are Non-Recyclable and Rigid

- 1) When thermosetting plastics are heated they undergo a chemical change and become hard and rigid. So once you've heated and moulded them to make a product they can't be melted and reshaped again.
- 2) This means that thermosetting plastics are non-recyclable.
- 3) They resist heat and fire so are used for electrical fittings and pan handles.
- 4) Examples of thermosetting plastics are melamine-formaldehyde, polyester resin, spray resin and urea-formaldehyde.



**EXAM TIP**  
Don't just write 'plastic' if you're asked to suggest a suitable material — give a specific example, e.g. acrylic.



So, which type of plastic you use depends on what you want to do with it.

- 1) For example, thermosetting plastics are often used where there is heat or electricity involved, or when something needs to be really hard.
- 2) Different types of thermoplastics have different properties — polypropylene will bend without breaking and is used for plastic chairs so they're comfy when you lean back.



Thermoplastics and thermosetting plastics can be bought in many different forms — from powders, granules, pellets and liquids (for processing into finished products), through to films, sheets, rods, tubes and extruded mouldings (complex shapes).

## Plastics Don't Need Surface Finishes

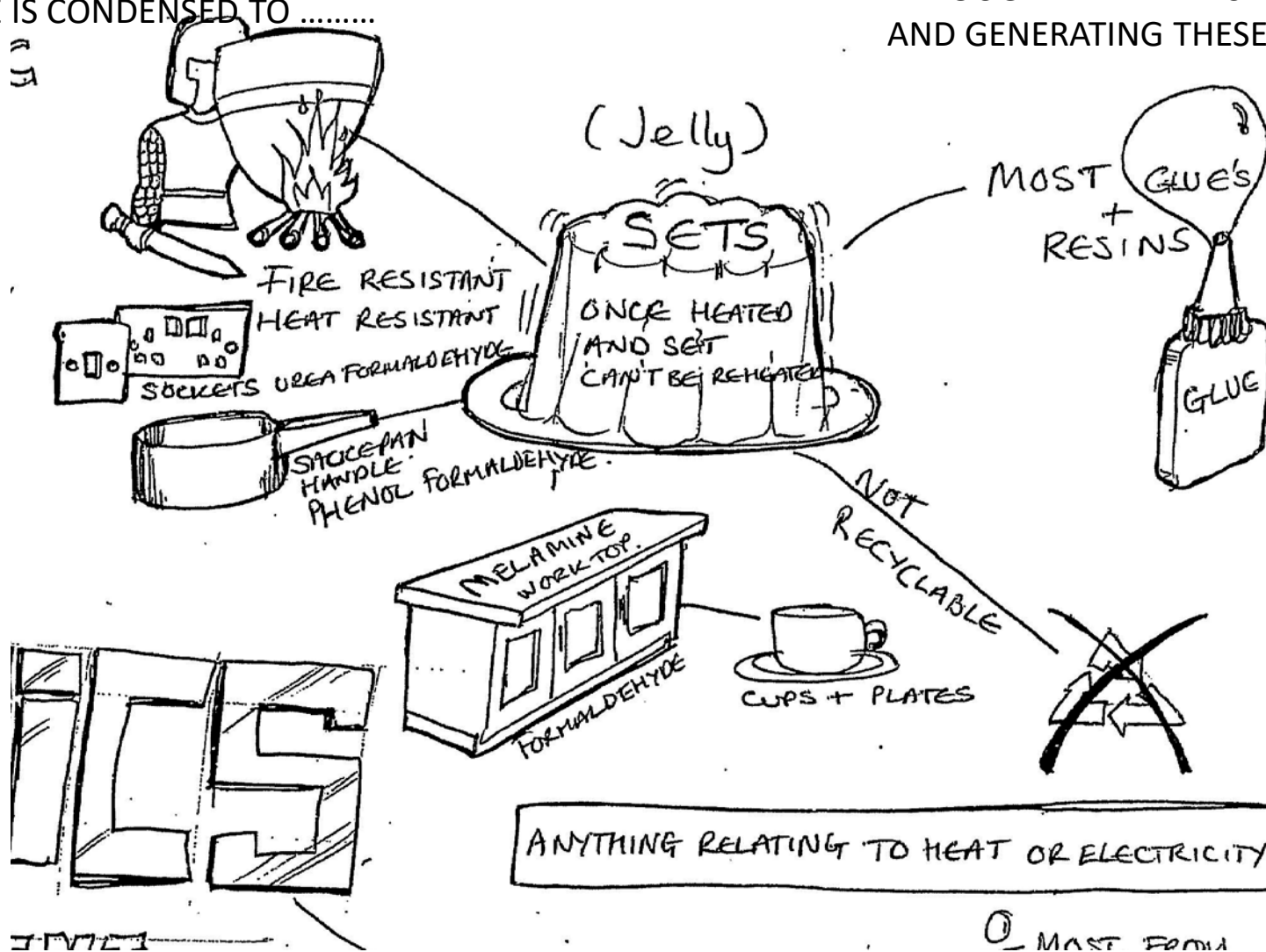
- 1) Plastic don't need protective surface finishes because they're very resistant to corrosion and damage.
- 2) But for a nice appearance, you can use wet and dry paper (silicon carbide paper) to remove scratches from the plastic, and follow that up with a mild abrasive polish or anti-static cream.
- 3) Or, you could use a buffing machine.

## Wet and dry paper — sounds like someone's a bit confused...

So, there are two types of plastic that you need to know about — thermoplastics and thermosetting plastics. Small difference in name, but a pretty big difference in their properties. Best get it learnt...

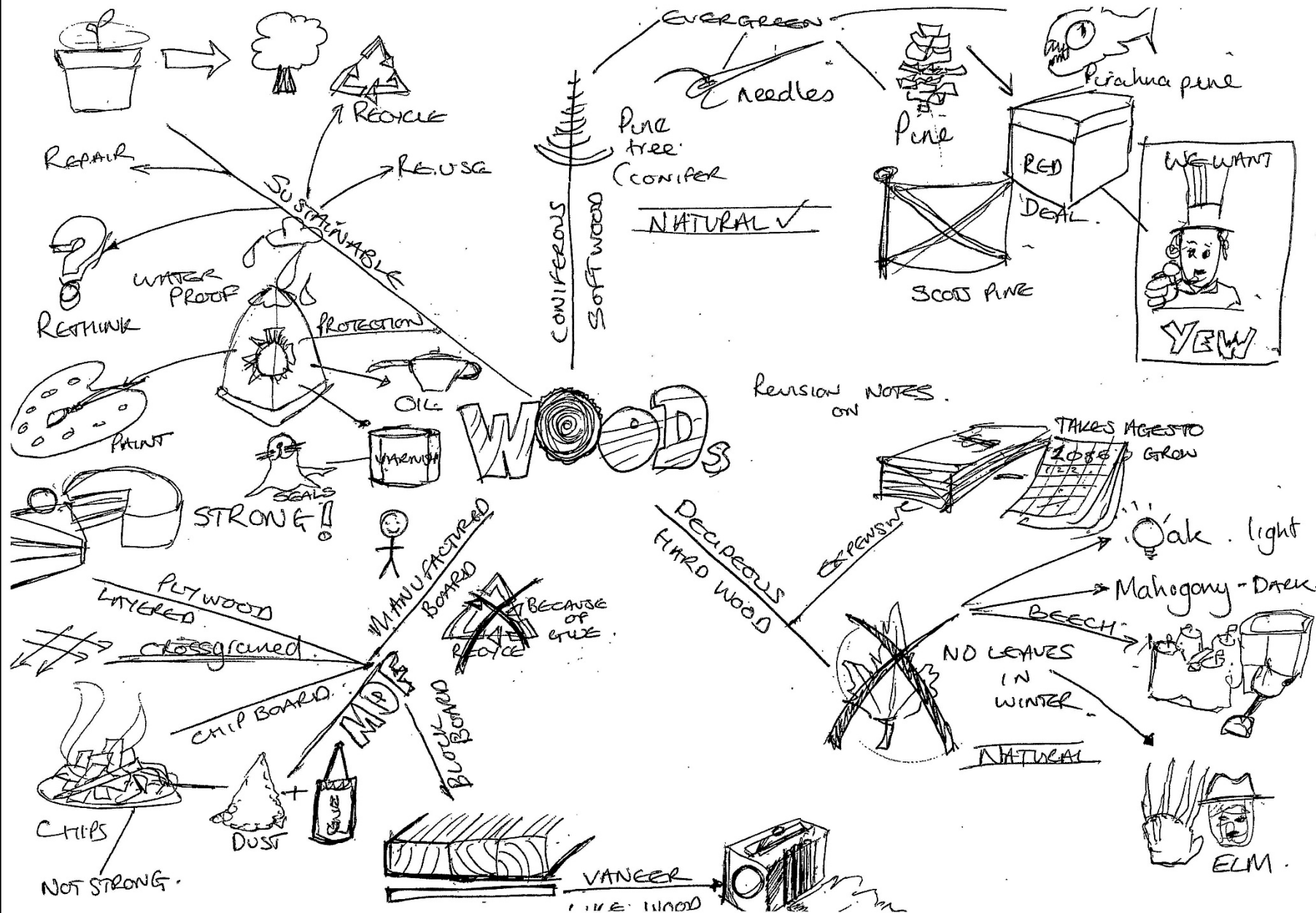
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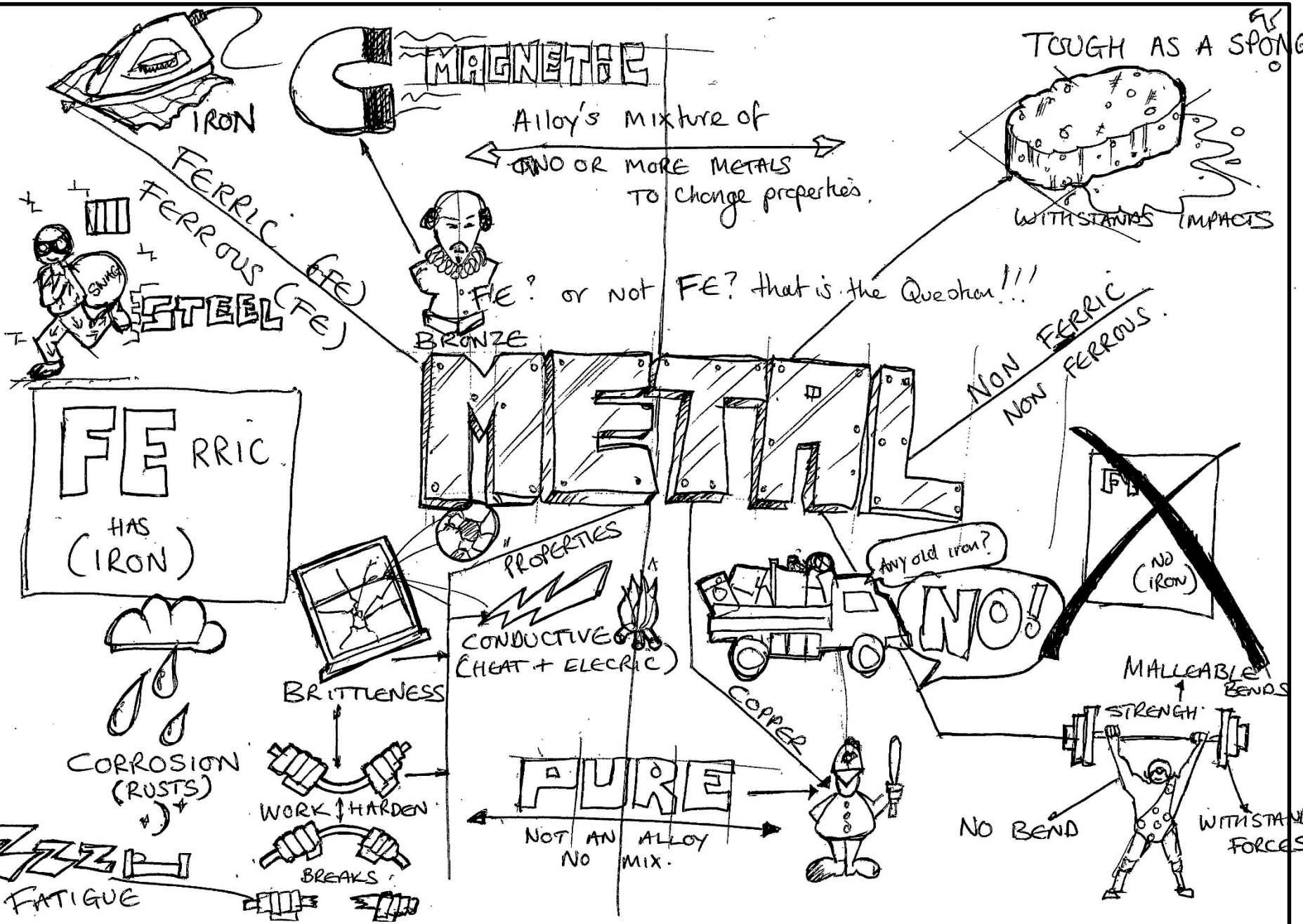
IDEALLY STUDENTS SHOULD BE GOING  
THROUGH THE TEXT AS THEY READ IT  
AND GENERATING THESE MIND MAPS

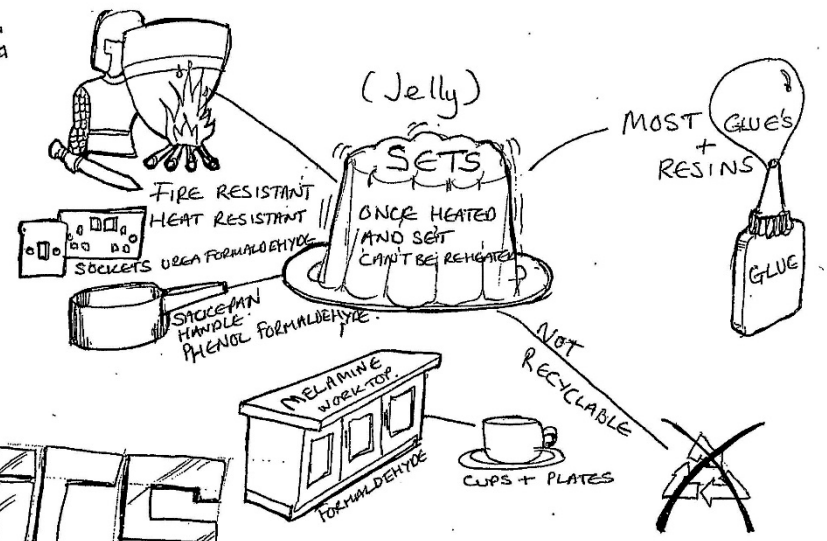
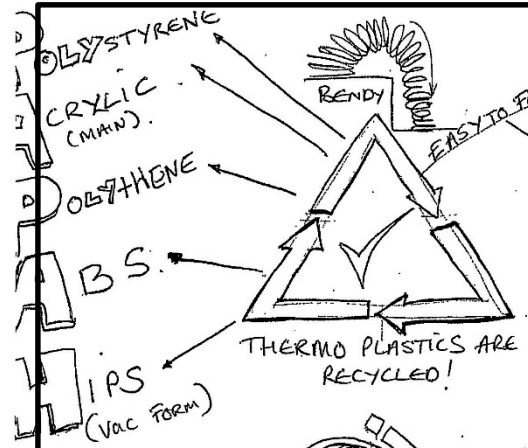


REALITY THEY STRUGGLE TO DO IT, OFEN MISS OUT INFO AND TAKE TOO LONG. SO THE MINUM THEY  
HAVE TO DO TO SHOW THEY HAVE READ IT AND HELP RECALL IT IS ADD COLOUR!

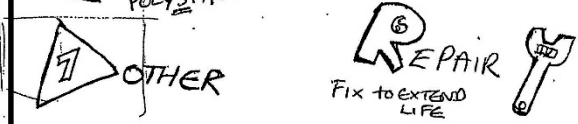
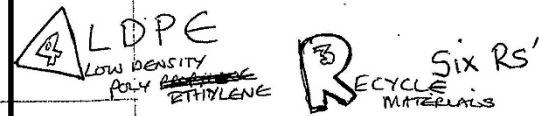
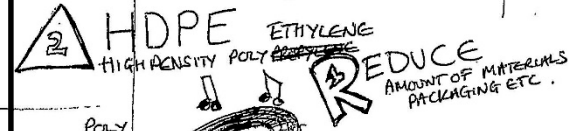
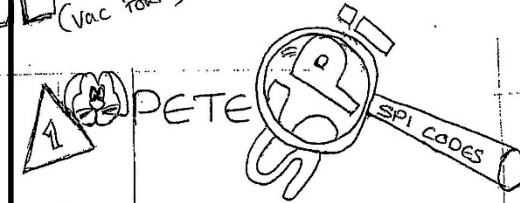




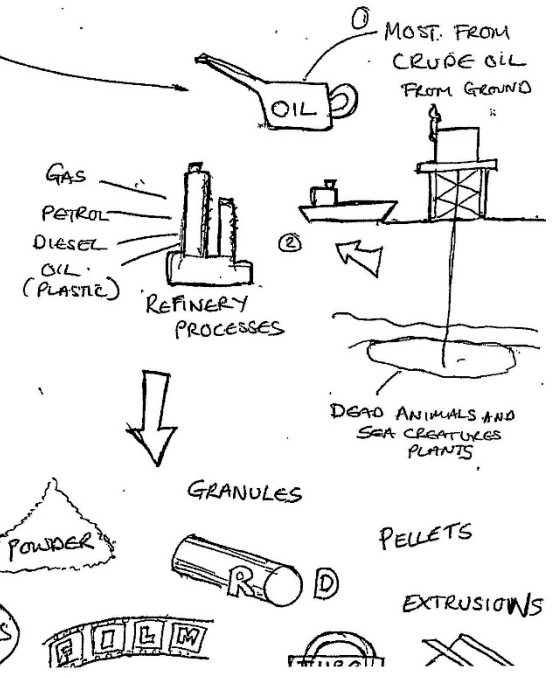
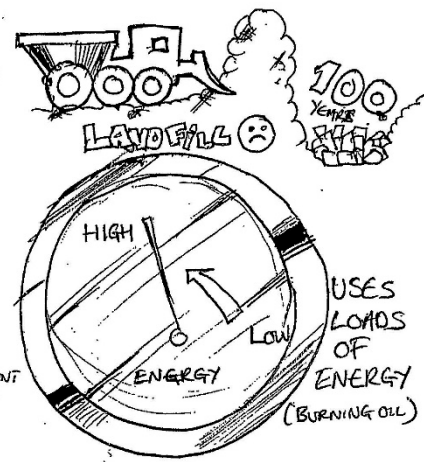




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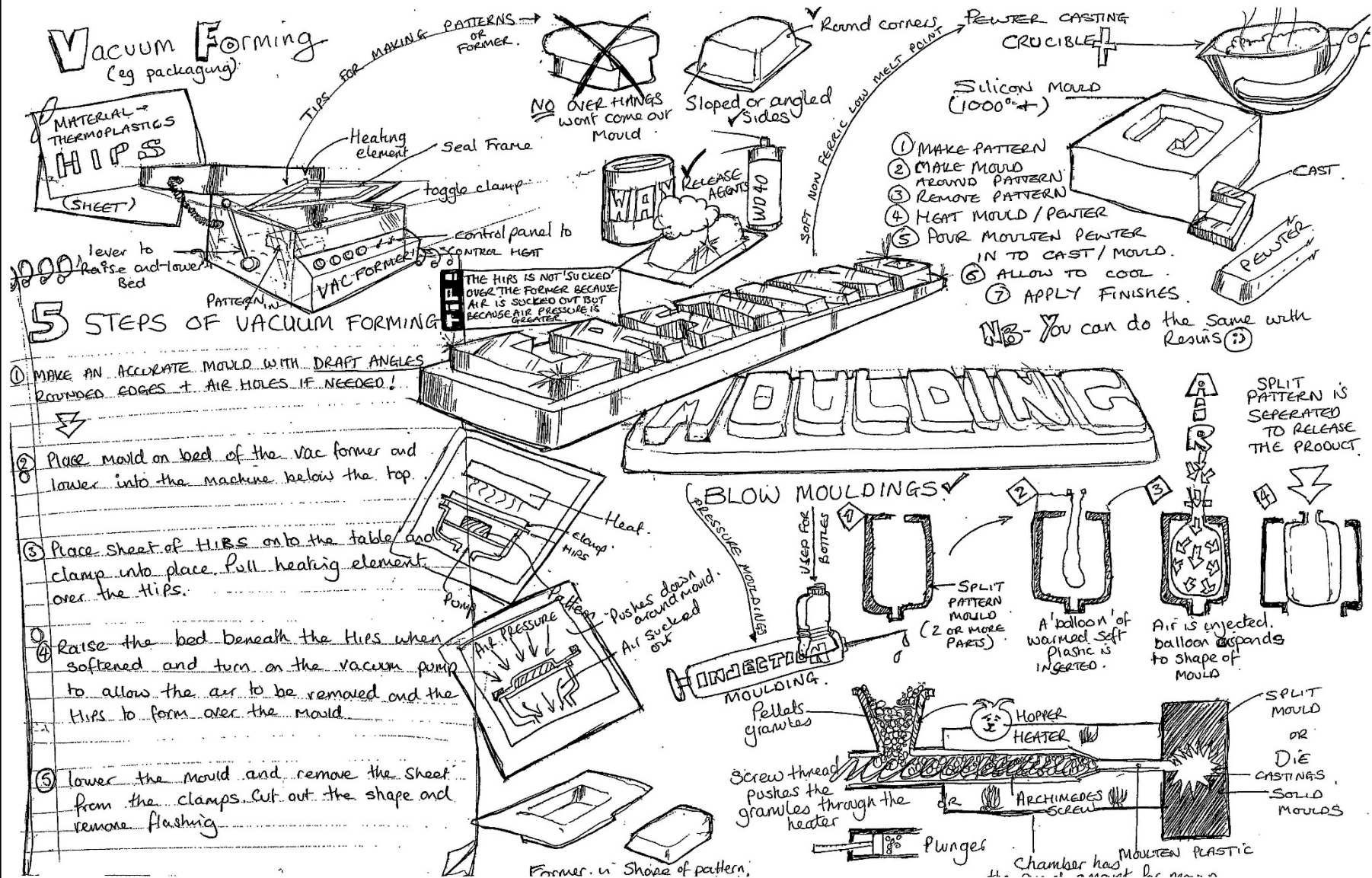


## ENVIRONMENT ISSUES!

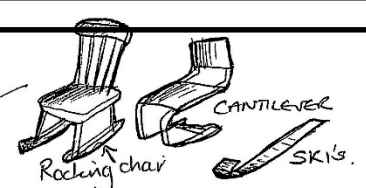
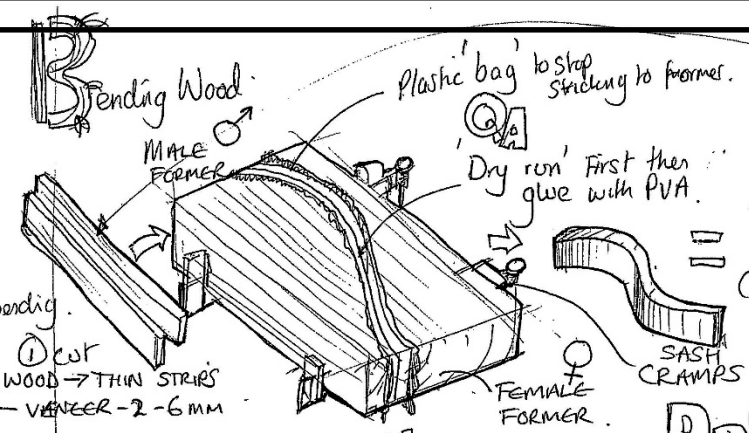
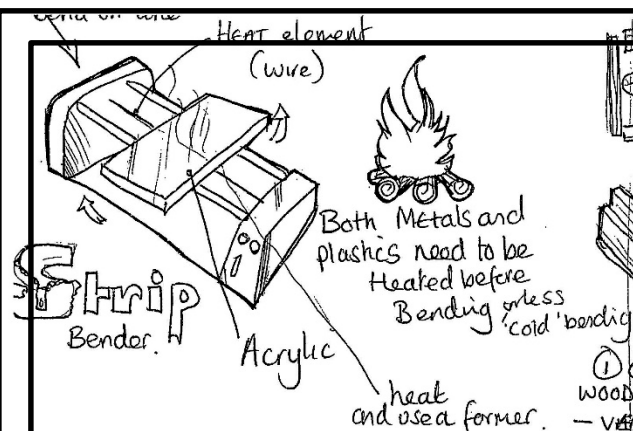


# Vacuum Forming

(eg packaging)

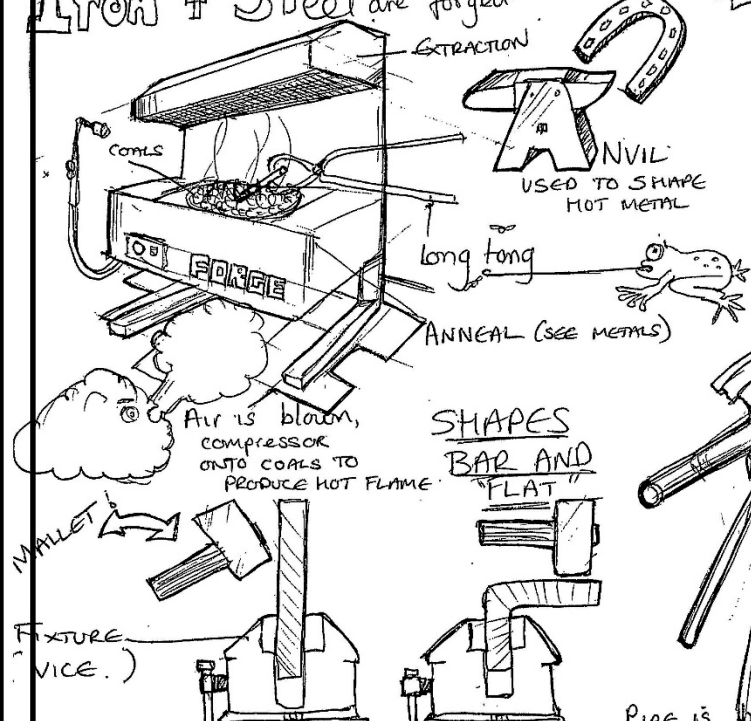


Look out for the you tube clips ( 5 mins max) which explains these sheets)

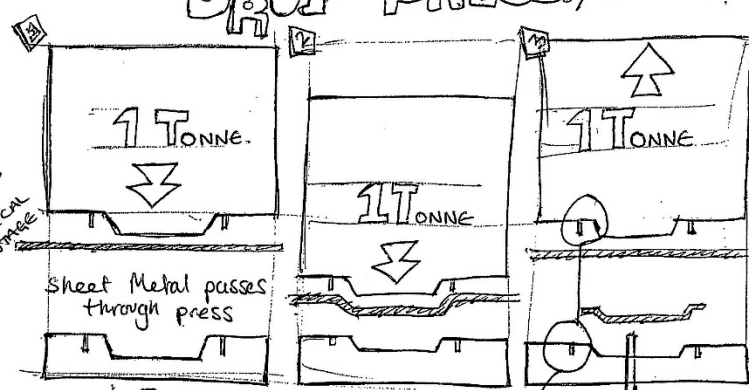
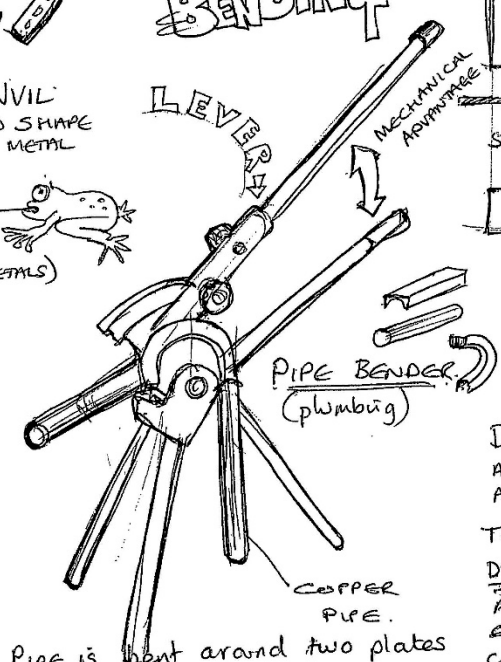


**Laminating**  
(glue strips together)

**Iron + Steel are forged.**



**Forming + BENDING**

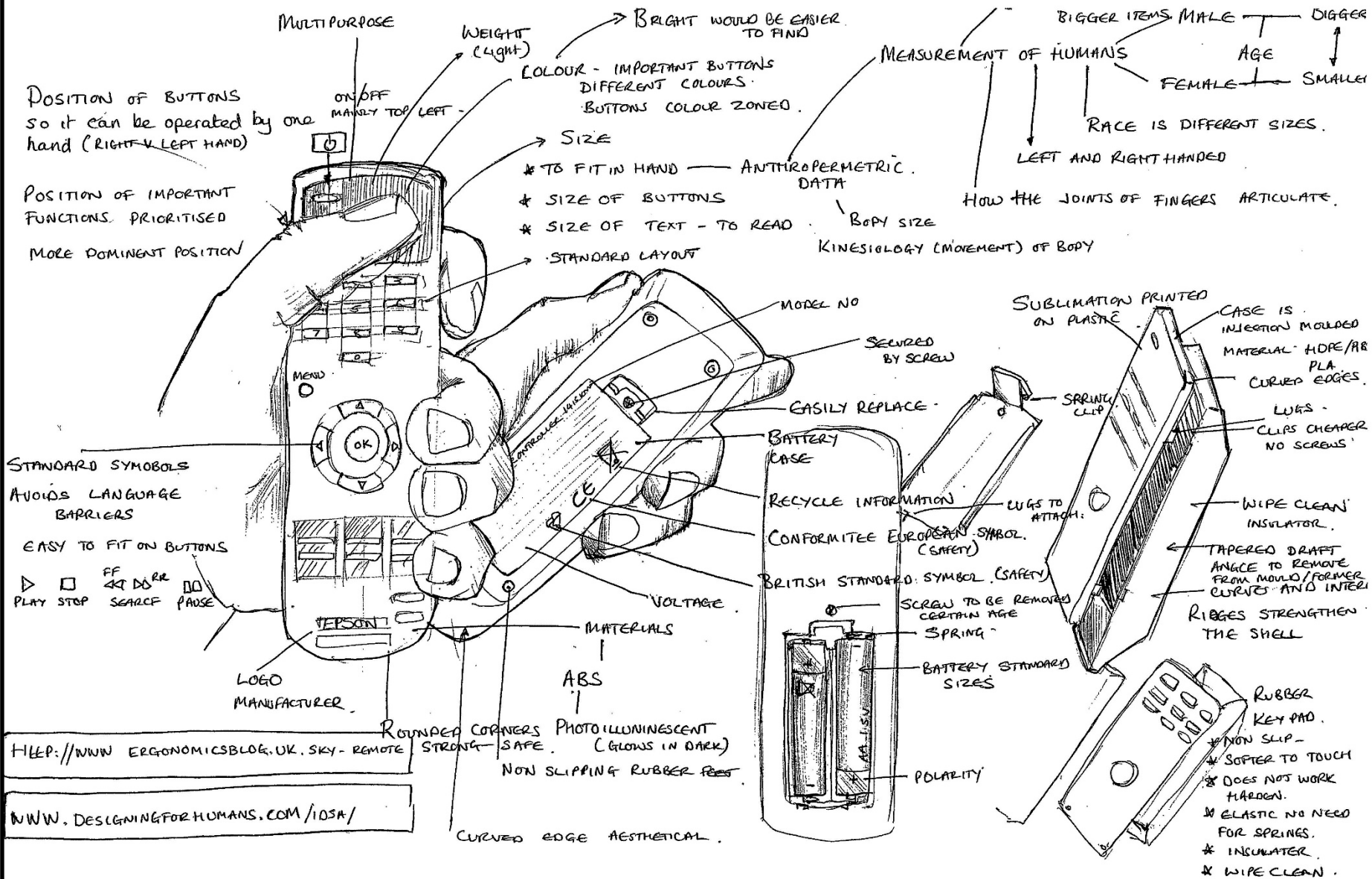


DROP PRESSES HAVE A LARGE WEIGHT ABOVE THAT USES GRAVITY. IT IS SIMILAR TO A PAPER PRESS OR PUNCH.

THE SHAPES FORMED NEED TO BE SIMPLE AND HAVE DRAFT ANGLES. DRAFT ANGLES ARE SLIGHT TAPERS / ANGLES OF THE SIDE TO MAKE IT COME OUT OF PRESS EASY. OTHER FUNCTIONS LIKE CUTTING AND FOLDING CAN BE DONE AS WELL AS FORMING.

Pipe is bent around two plates





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