

☐ **Activity 2: Simple Machines Around the House**

One of the things that people gathered at Lavoisier's house to discuss regularly were new devices and tools to make science and everyday life easier. We use similar tools today. Read the information at the following web link, and optionally watch the video. When you are done, test your knowledge using the Simple Machines Vocabulary cards and the Simple Machines Discussion Questions. As you explore this resource, think about tools around your house that use one or more of those simple machines.

Simple Machines
www.movingbeyondthepage.com/link/3608/
Read the information and optionally watch the video. Then use the Simple Machines Vocabulary cards and the Simple Machines Discussion Questions to test your understanding

Do you have any mechanical devices in your home that are similar to the ones discussed in Chapter 26 of the book? Locate one and explain to a parent how it works. Also try to identify which simple machines are involved in making it work.

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Your child will explore a web link to learn more about 4 types of simple machines. Encourage him to test his knowledge using the vocabulary cards and discussion questions provided on the webpage. Next he will choose a mechanical device found in your home (similar to the ones discussed in Chapter 26 of the book) and explain how it works. He will also identify which simple machines are involved in making it work. If he needs more information about simple machines, share the following website with him.

Simple Machines
www.movingbeyondthepage.com/link/3610/ This site from Scholastic provides information and examples of each type of simple machine. Click a link under the "Simple Machines" heading to read about another simple machine.