



What to do...

1. You will need a mug, some scales, some rice, some pasta and some water!

2. Which is heavier?

A mug of rice? A mug of pasta? A mug of water?

3. Talk to your partner. You can both feel handfuls of the rice, the dry pasta and water!

4. Then you must both take a guess at which is heaviest.

5. Write down your guesses, e.g. Mum thinks the rice is heaviest.

6. Together weigh a mug of rice. Write its weight in grams. Weigh a mug of dry pasta. Write its weight in grams. Weigh a mug of water. Write its weight in grams.

7. Discuss which was heaviest.

8. Bring all your weights back into class.

Heavier than water?

Children need to learn about the units of weight. In this activity they learn that we can compare weights by seeing how many grams each one weighs. The numbers will be large, and you will need to read and write the numbers for your child. Dealing with numbers above 100 in this way is also good for children's maths.

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