

Structures

Key Vocabulary

Aesthetic	How an object or product looks.
Cladding	A material put on top of another material or on a structure as protection or to improve appearance.
Design Criteria	A set of rules to help designers focus their ideas and test the success of them.
Evaluation	When you look at the good and the bad points about something, then think about how you could improve it.
Frame Structure	A way of building something so that the inside supports are built first and the outside covering is added afterwards as cladding.
Function	The purpose of an object (for example a chair needs to hold a person when sitting down); or how the product works (for example a torch needs to provide light in a dark space).
Inspiration	To gain ideas from different sources such as the internet, magazines and books.
Reinforce	To make a structure or material stronger, especially by adding another material or element to it.
Stable	Object does not easily topple over.
Structure	Something that has been made and put together and can usually stand on its own (e.g. a building, a bridge, a chair).
Target Audience	A person or particular group of people at whom a product is aimed.
Target Customer	A person or particular group of people who you expect to buy the product.
Texture	The way that something feels when you touch it (e.g. soft, rough, smooth).
Theme	An idea or specific design that your product or structure is based on (e.g. space-themed).

You can create all sorts of **textures** for your **cladding** designs using different materials and techniques.

Weave



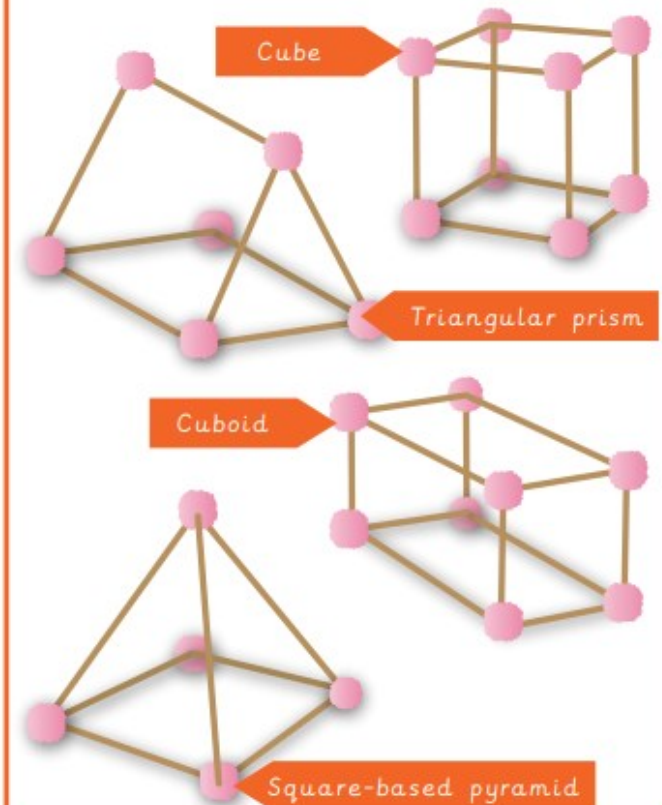
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Cut-outs



There are variety of ways to assemble a **frame structure**.



What materials and equipment could you use to make your **structure**?