

Making Boats that Float Out of Everyday Materials

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What Makes a Boat Float?



Boats that Float - Workshop with year four pupils at Ridgefield Primary School

This was an afternoon session for year four pupils at [Ridgefield Primary School](#), Cambridge, and part of AccessArt's [Brilliant Makers Club](#), a campaign supporting and championing

making experiences in schools.



Getting started! Exploring the materials and gathering ideas...

This session was aimed at children who love making, and was limited to eight pupils, to allow for a rich, and rewarding experience and plenty of time to play with, and explore materials.

We kicked off the session by asking the question -- "what makes a boat float?" -- and looked at the shapes of some toy boats.

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