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Simple Machines

Can you imagine what our lives would be like if we didn't have machines to help us? Every day people use machines like bicycles, cars, trains, aeroplanes, cranes, sewing machines, clocks, radios, television sets, computers and much more. All these machines help make our lives easier at play, at work, at home, on the roads, in the air, at sea and in space. Most machines are made up of many moving parts. Each part is another form of a simple machine. In fact some machines are so simple that you wouldn't even think of them being a machine. Take for example wheels and axles, pulleys, levers, wedges, screws and inclined planes. All of these are simple machines. Can you draw some pictures below of simple machines. Write next to each picture if it is a wheel, axle, lever, pulley, incline plane, screw or wedge. If you are not sure which is what get some books to help you.

