





Key vocabulary		
Aerodynamic	It has little resistance travelling through the air.	
Equilibrium	All forces acting on the object are balanced.	
Force	The pulling or pushing effect that something has on something else.	
Friction	The force that makes it difficult for things to move freely when they are touching each other.	
Fulcrum	The point at which a lever is placed to balance over.	
Gear	A wheel that has teeth that meshes with another one	
Gravity	A force that causes things to drop to the ground.	
Lever	A simple machine consisting of a bar that pivots on a fixed support,	
Mass	Is a measure of the amount of matter in an object.	
Mechanism	A part, often consisting of a set of smaller parts, which performs a particular function.	
Newton	The unit in which forces are measured.	
Pulley	A device consisting of a wheel over which a rope of chain is pulled in order to lift heavy objects.	
Resistance	A force that slows down a moving object or vehicles.	
Streamline	A form that presents very little resistance to a flow of air or water.	
Up thrust	The upward force that a liquid s exerts on the object floating in it.	
Weight	How much gravity is pulling on the object.	

Key Knowledge		
Preceding	Explore and describe how objects move on different surfaces. (Y3) Explain how some forces require contact and some do not (Y3) explore and explain how objects attract and repel in relation to objects and other magnets (Y3) Predict whether objects will be magnetic and carry out an enquiry to test this out. (Y3) Describe how magnets work (Y3) Predict whether magnets will attract or repel and give a reason (Y3)	
Current	Explain what gravity is and its impact on our lives. Identify and explain the effect of air resistance. Identify and explain the effect of water resistance. Identify and explain the effect of friction. Explain how levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.	

Suggested Progression	
1	Gravity- what it is and its impact on our lives.
2	Air resistance - what effect does it have?
3	Water resistance- what effect does it have?
4	Friction- what it is and how it effects objects?

Gears and levers - how these allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

## Scientific Enquiry

To test difference between the weight and mass of objects.

To test effect of air resistance on different materials.

To test the amount of friction of different materials.

To investigate the effects of pulleys levers and gears.





Pattern seeking Comparative and Fair Testing

