Materials Term 1 & 2

Key Vocabulary	
suitable	The right material for the purpose eg. a window is made of glass because it is transparent.
soluble	Will dissolve in water.
opaque	Cannot see through it.
transparent	Can see through it.
property	A characteristic of a material eg.waterproof

We can change the appearance of some materials by bending, twisting, stretching or squashing.

For example, we can bend a plastic pipe to help it fit into a small space.



The properties of materials help us choose which material to build objects out of. For example, tiles are suitable for a roof because they are waterproof and solid. Wood is unsuitable for a window because it is opaque.



Why isn't chocolate a suitable material to make a teapot?

