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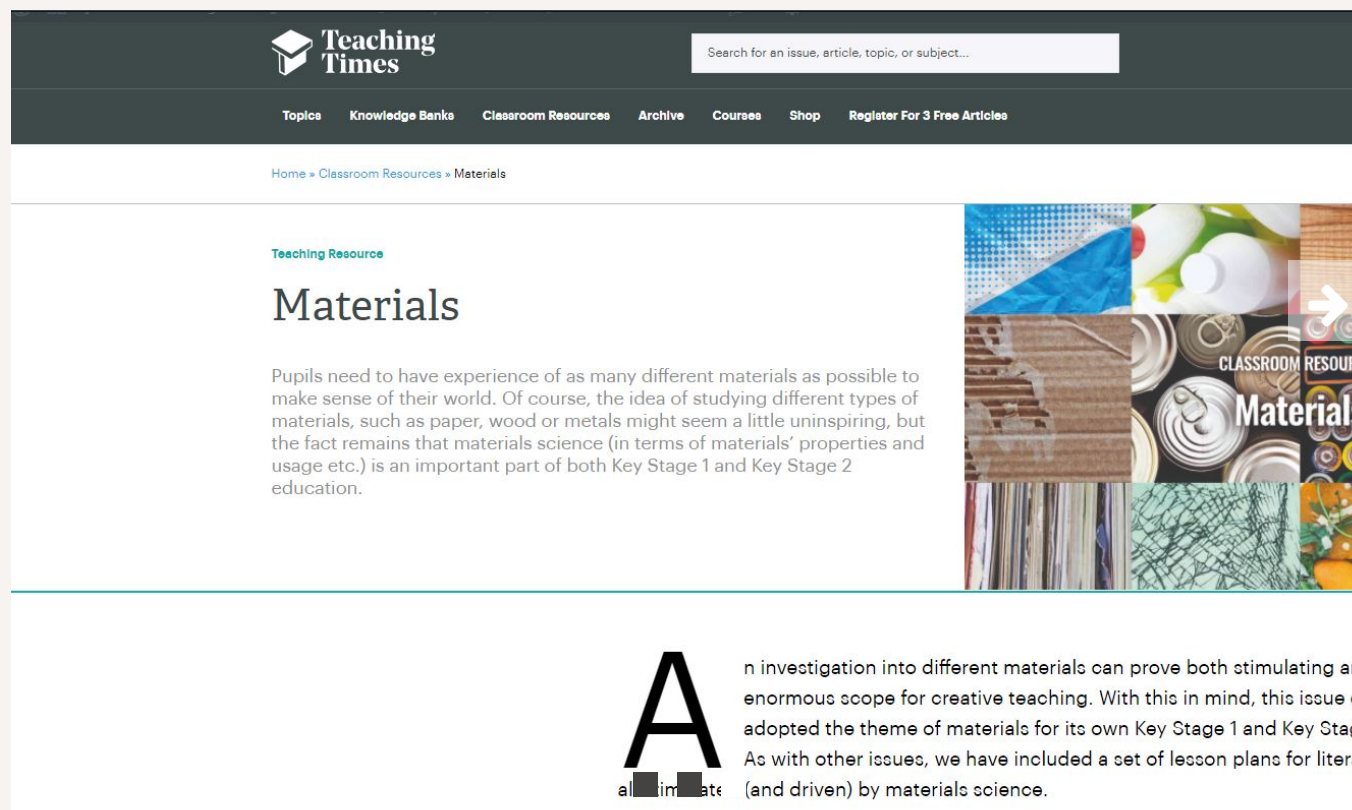
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## Materials

Pupils need to have experience of as many different materials as possible to make sense of their world. Of course, the idea of studying different types of materials, such as paper, wood or metals might seem a little uninspiring, but the fact remains that materials science (in terms of materials' properties and usage etc.) is an important part of both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 education.

**A**n investigation into different materials can prove both stimulating and enormous scope for creative teaching. With this in mind, this issue of adopted the theme of materials for its own Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. As with other issues, we have included a set of lesson plans for literacy (and driven) by materials science.

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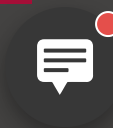
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