

HANDS-ON LAB SKILLS and SCIENCE INQUIRY

Predictions Based on Patterns

Scientists often make predictions based on all the things they already know are true. **Predict** means to tell what you think is going to happen.

Scientists then test their predictions to see if they are right!



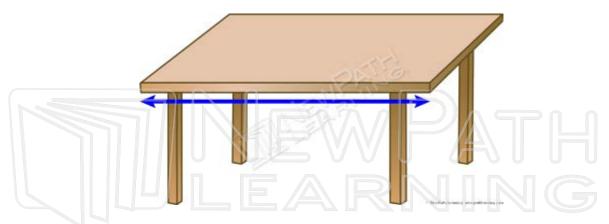
Let's check what we have learned so far: What does the word 'predict' mean?



Scientists use a **METER STICK** to measure the length of an object that is large, like a table.





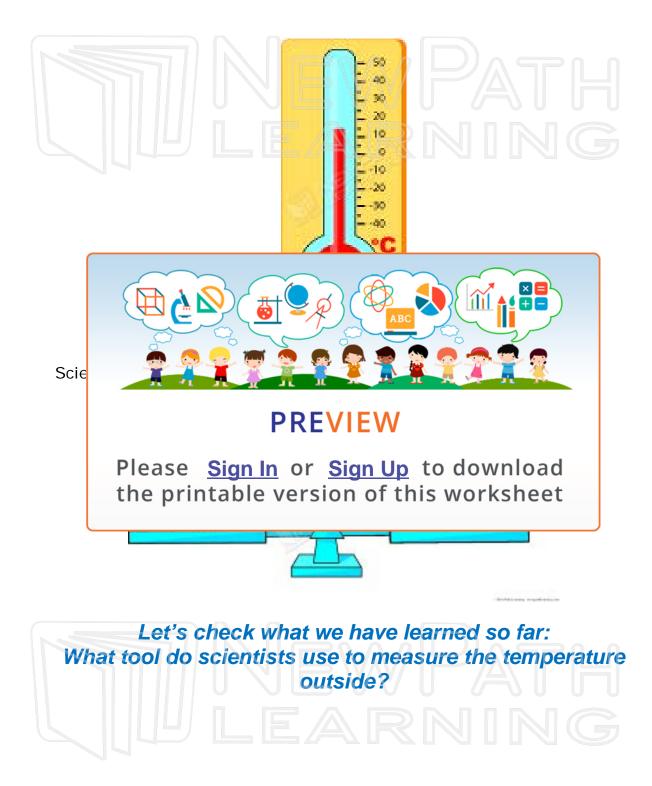


Scientists use a **MEASURING CUP** to measure how much of a liquid there is.





Scientists use a **THERMOMETER** to measure the temperature outside and inside.





Sorting and Comparing

Scientists often compare and sort objects based on color, shape, texture, size and weight.

These objects are sorted according to their COLOR.





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Sometimes scientists compare objects according to their SIZE.

If a scientist sorted objects according to their WEIGHT, she would need a scale or a balance to see how much the objects weigh.

