



## **Building structures**

At-home science activity







## You will need:

 A variety of materials to build with such as: hard gum candy, cocktail sticks, straws, dried spaghetti, marshmallows, raw jello cubes, pieces of chocolate



- 1. Use these materials to build a bridge!
- 2. Consider the properties of each material and think carefully about which you will use. For example, you may choose cocktail sticks for the pillars as they are strong and flexible.
- 3. Select the materials you think have the right properties for your structure. Then, spend 15 minutes building your bridge.





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- 4. When you're done, think about these questions:
- Which materials did you use and why?
- What properties does each material have? How does this make it suitable?
- Does your bridge stand up? Would it remain standing if you added weight to it?

