



Earth's Interior

Some of what is known about Earth's interior comes from direct observations. Some of what is known comes from indirect studies. In this activity, you will decide how to observe the interior of a model Earth.

INQUIRY FOCUS Observe

Procedure

1. Obtain a model Earth from your teacher.
2. Decide which probing tool—the knife, the straw, or the spoon—you should use to learn about the interior of your model.
3.   Use the tool to observe the interior of the model Earth. **CAUTION: Work slowly and carefully to avoid cutting or scraping your fingers.**
4. Make a sketch of the interior of your model.

Materials

- model of Earth
- plastic knife
- metal spoon or spatula
- clear plastic drinking straw

Think It Over

- 1 Why did you choose the probing tool that you used?

- 2 Were your observations of the interior of the model Earth direct or indirect observations?
