# 'Plushie' with a purpose

Year 7 Soft Materials

## Context: 'Plushie' with a purpose

You are to use hand sewing skills and felt material to design and make a 'plushie'.

The plushie needs to fulfil a problem or need and be designed for a particular stakeholder.

During this lesson you need to:

- 1. Explore possible needs and stakeholders.
- 2. Use the PMI to select the best problem to solve. State WHY you chose it.
- 3. Develop a design brief (stakeholder needs, conceptual statement & attributes)

Key ring



## Examples of Plushies

Mrs.Ws night light!



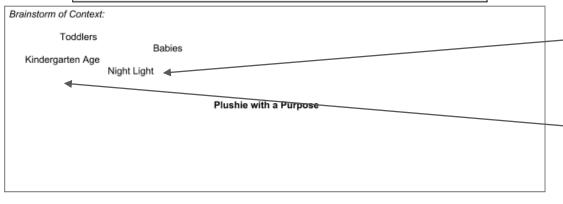


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### **Brief Development**

Analysis of Context and Stakeholder PMI





#### Task One:

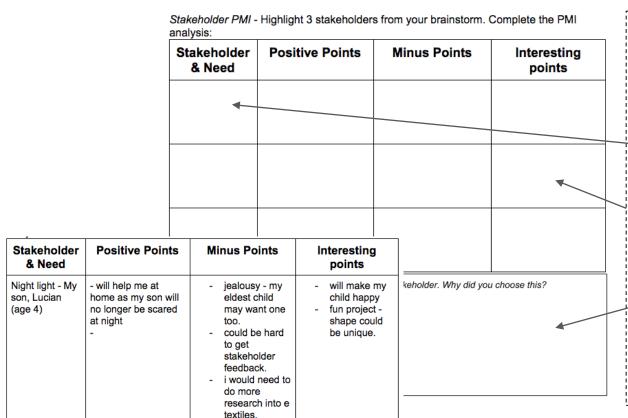
Brainstorm ideas for possible needs/stakeholders

-Fill the space with lots of different ideas for the plushie.

Add possible stakeholders - who might use this idea?

When full, highlight your 3 favourite ideas.

Now you are ready for Task 2



Task Two:

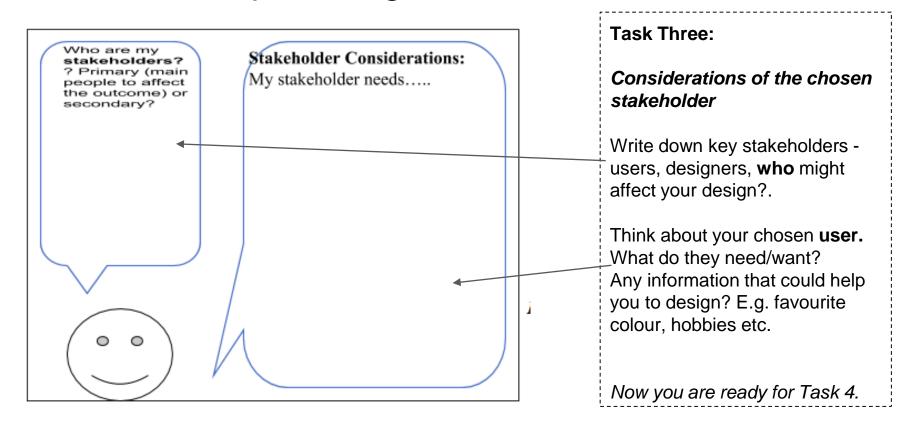
Analyse the stakeholders and needs (PMI)

Write down each need.

Analyse the positive, negative and interesting points of having this as your need

When 3 needs have been analysed, use the PMI to choose the best idea to develop. Explain WHY chosen.

Now you are ready for Task 3.



| <b>Need:</b> What is the <b>problem</b> you are trying to solve? Where for? When used? How does this need link to the context? |
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#### Task Four:

#### Explain the NEED:

Explain the PROBLEM you are trying to solve.

When and where will it be used?

How will it be used?

Any *constraints*? (e.g. time, materials, skill etc)

How does this need link to the "Plushie" with a purpose context? Explain

Now you are ready for Task 5.

| Conceptual Statement: I am going to design and make |  |
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#### Task Five:

## Write a CONCEPTUAL STATEMENT:

Write down what you are actually going to make.

Why are you making this?

Now you are ready for Task 6.

#### Attributes:

Physical Attributes

- It must be no larger than 300mm x 300mm to enable the outcome to be completed on time. This attribute is key because.......

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Physical Attributes:

looks/appearance
E.g. materials, shape,
size, texture, colour,
performance
properties, etc

Functional Attributes

Functional Attributes: What it does

E.g. job of overall outcome, parts of outcome, etc

Some attributes will be both functional and physical. E.g. a split ring is a physical thing used to hold keys.

#### Task Six:

## Write down ATTRIBUTES for the intended outcome:

- 1. Think about what you want the plushie to be/have/do etc.
- 2.Write down each attribute in the correct column. EXPLAIN why the attribute is important.
- 3. Highlight the KEY attributes
- 4.Explain how each KEY attribute can be tested to check the outcomes 'fitness for purpose'. (see notes for e.g.)

## Concepts

Sketch designs for your plushie.

Use the brief to help!

#### REMEMBER to:

- create a range of ideas. Colour neatly.
- annotate the features & materials.
- analyse the good and bad points of each design gain feedback from stakeholders.
- use the analysis to choose the best design state which one is the best and WHY you have chosen it.

