Grouping Materials

All of the materials around us have either grown in or been dug out of the ground.

We use natural materials in a form very close to the way that they occur in nature. For example wool from sheep is a natural material.

We call materials man-made if we have to do something to them before we can use them. For example, wood is a natural material but if we form it into a powder and then stick it back together again we get MDF that is used for making furniture. MDF is a man-made material.

Draw a line from these materials to show whether they are natural or man-made.

- Stone
- plywood
- Steel
- Plastic
- Glass
- Sand
- Acrylic
- Clay
- Wool
- Copper
- Glass
- Carbon
- Silver
- Cotton
- Oil
- Gold
- Bamboo
- Natural
- Man-made