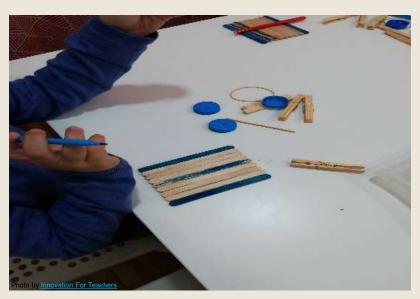


# The Catapult







#### An ancient war machine

A catapult is a war machine used since ancient times.
Invented in Sicily in 399
(BC)
How could it have worked;
Let us know your ideas!

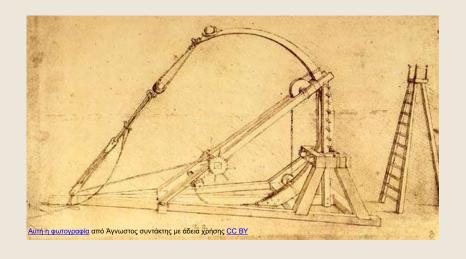


Stones, javelins, and arrows hurl with the catapult. To understand how it works, you will make your own.



## Leonardo Da Vinci's catapult





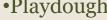
Leonardo Da Vinci was among the most outstanding scientists, engineers, and painters of the Middle Ages.

#### **CONSTRUCTION**

#### **Materials:**

- •Three rubber bands
- •12 Wooden tongues
- one bottle lid
- •Glue (strong)
- •Plastic glasses
- •Playdough











1. Take a rubber band and join ten (10) wooden tongues around one end.





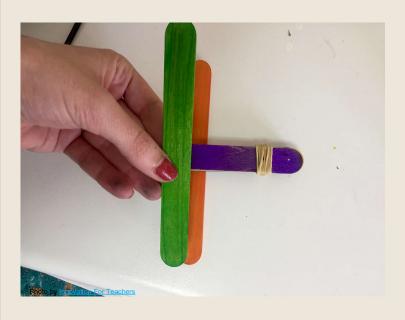
2. You place a wooden tongue vertically to the centre of the construction (look at the picture).





3. Join the other side of the construction with the rubber band.







4. Place the last wooden tongue crosswise and the rubber bands at the edge of them.







5. Glue your lid.



#### Experiment and play



Use play dough to test the launch.

• Who can throw the playdough farthest?

Place a plastic glass in the middle while 3-4 students sit around it.

• Who can drop the playdough into the glass?



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