

HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION

Investigation 4: Natural Resources

Explore the inside and outside of your home to find earth materials in use. Organize the information you collect in a table or diagram.

Here are some hints to get you started on your hunt.

Clay Used for bricks, plumbing, ceramics, floor tiles, and decorative tiles

Sand and gravel Combined with cement to make concrete. Mortar, stucco, and plaster are kinds of concrete. Used with clay to make bricks

Industrial sand Used to make glass in windows, TVs, refrigerator shelves, and dishware. Also used to make fiberglass

Gypsum Used in plaster and wallboard

Limestone Used to make Portland cement, abrasive cleanser, carpets, and even toothpaste