

How are pencils made?



1. Match the words with the definitions.

a. mix:

To heat objects made of clay in a special oven so that they become hard.

b. press:

To do something in order to discover if something is safe, works correctly, etc.

c. fire:

To cover something with a liquid.

d. bathe:

To cover a surface with paint.

e. mill

To make something flat and firm by putting it under something heavy.

f. apply:

To make something sharp or sharper.

g. insert:

To put something into a liquid for a short time.

h. paint:

To cause different substances to combine.

i. stamp:

To spread or rub a substance such as cream or paint on a surface.

j. dip:

To cut something or make it into a particular shape by using a special machine.

k. test:

To put something inside something else.

l. sharpen:

To put a mark on an object either by printing on it or pushing into it with a small tool.

2. Watch the video and put the actions in order.

Chapter #1 – The leads

- [] Fire the leads
- [] Press the leads
- [] Mix graphite and clay
- [] Colour pencil leads
- [] Dry the leads
- [] Bathe the leads in wax

Chapter #2 – The pencils

- [] Dry them in a wheel
- [] Mill the grooves
- [] Close the slats
- [] Apply glue
- [] Mill the pencils
- [] Insert the leads

Chapter #3 – Painting and Stamping

- [] Stamp the pencils
- [] Dip the pencils' ends
- [] Dry the pencils
- [] Paint the pencils
- [] Mix paint

