



Kites

If you go to a park on a windy day, you may see someone flying a kite. Kites can be a fun toy for kids to play with, but did you know that they were invented thousands of years ago in China?

The first kites were made from bamboo stems and silk. Kites have been used for measuring distances, sending messages, fishing and even doing science experiments. In 1752 Benjamin Franklin flew a kite in a storm and proved that lightning was electricity.

Kites today are all different shapes and sizes. The smallest kite that flies is only 5 millimeters tall. That is smaller than the width of your finger! The longest kite is over 3,000 feet, which is more than half a mile long!

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Where were kites invented?



What were the first kites made of?



How long is the longest kite?

Make an inference.

Bamboo is a type of what?

plant fish candy

How tall is the smallest kite?

5 centimeters 5 millimeters 5 meters