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Learning Resources LER2442

Learning Resources Simple Machines Instruction Manual

Model: LER2442

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Learning Resources Simple Machines set is designed to inspire young engineers and scientists by providing hands-on experience with fundamental mechanical principles. This 63-piece set allows for the construction and exploration of five different simple machines simultaneously, fostering an understanding of effort, force, load, motion, and distance. The set includes sturdy plastic components to build a lever, wedge, pulley, inclined plane, and wheel and axle. It also comes with 8 rubber bands and 4 weights to facilitate experiments and modifications, allowing users to observe the effects of varying conditions on each machine.

COMPONENTS INCLUDED

- Enough pieces to build a lever, pulley, inclined plane, wheel and axle, and wedge—all at the same time.
- 4 included weights for experimentation.
- 8 included rubber bands for experimentation.
- 63 total pieces.
- Activity Guide (included with the set).

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

The Simple Machines set is designed for easy assembly and disassembly. Each piece is labeled to assist in constructing the various machines. Follow the instructions provided in the included Activity Guide for detailed assembly steps for each of the five simple machines.



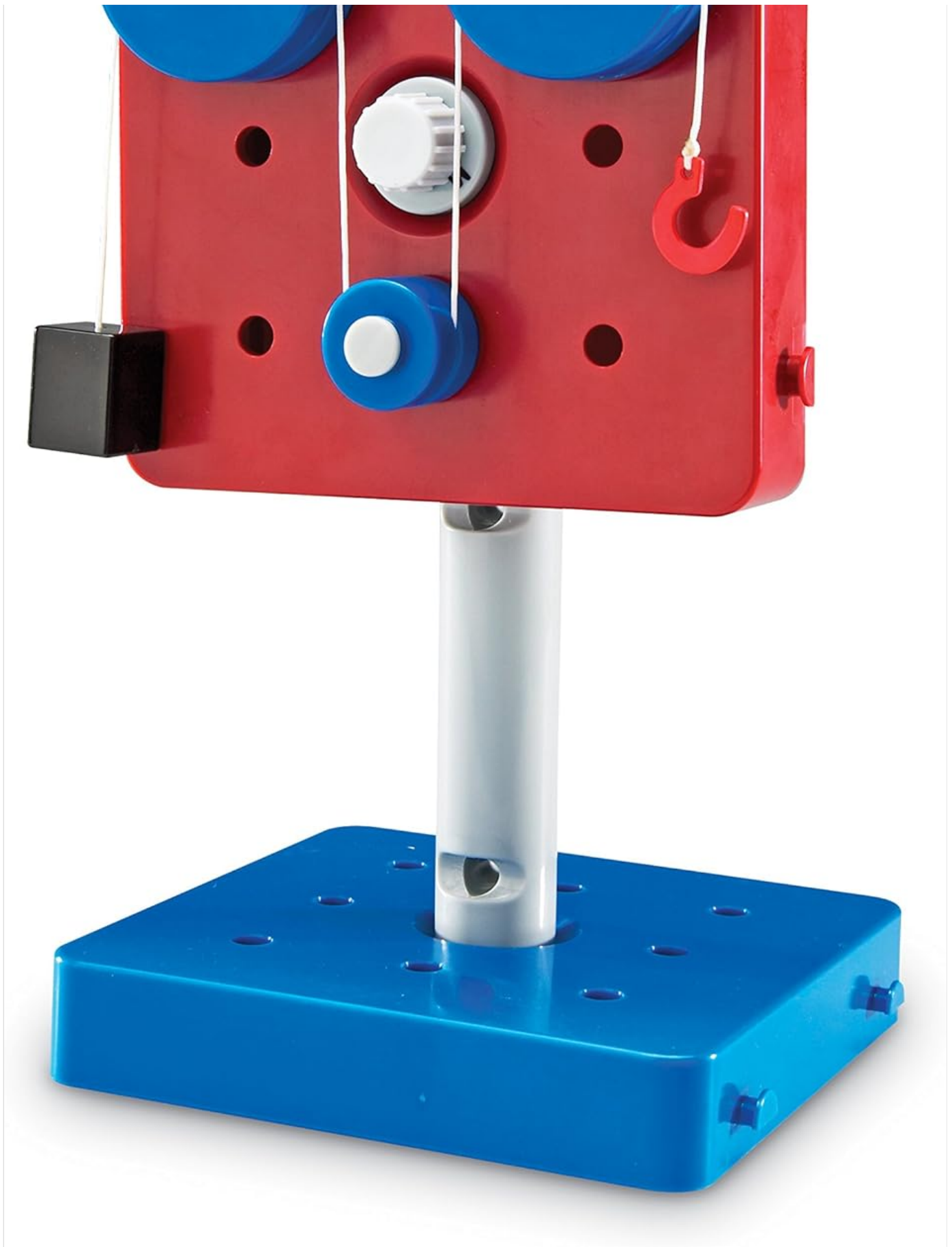


Figure 1: An assembled pulley system from the Simple Machines set, demonstrating its functional design with blue and red components.



Figure 2: A young person actively engaging with the pulley system, illustrating the hands-on learning experience provided by the set.

For visual guidance on assembly and operation, please refer to the official product video below.

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Video: Official product video demonstrating the assembly and functionality of the Learning Resources Simple Machines set, including examples of how each machine works.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once assembled, the Simple Machines can be used to conduct various experiments to understand mechanical advantage. Use the included weights and rubber bands to explore concepts such as:

- **Effort:** The force applied to operate the machine.
- **Force:** The push or pull exerted on an object.
- **Load:** The weight or resistance that the machine is designed to move or overcome.
- **Motion:** The movement produced by the machine.
- **Distance:** The length over which the force or load is applied or moved.

Refer to the Activity Guide for specific experiments and challenges for each machine. Students can modify the setup of

each machine to observe how changes affect the effort required and the work performed.

MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity of your Simple Machines set, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe down all plastic components with a damp cloth and mild soap if necessary. Avoid abrasive cleaners.
- **Storage:** Disassemble the machines after use and store all pieces in the original sturdy box or a designated storage container. This prevents loss of parts and keeps them organized.
- **Inspection:** Periodically inspect all pieces for any signs of wear or damage. Replace any broken or worn-out components to maintain optimal functionality and safety.
- **Rubber Bands:** Store rubber bands away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures to prevent degradation. Replace them if they lose elasticity.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter any issues with your Simple Machines set, consider the following common solutions:

- **Machine not functioning smoothly:**
 - Ensure all connections are secure and pieces are properly aligned according to the Activity Guide.
 - Check for any debris or obstructions in moving parts.
- **Missing pieces:**
 - Carefully check the packaging and storage container.
 - Refer to the components list in the Activity Guide to verify all parts are present.
- **Difficulty with experiments:**
 - Re-read the instructions for the specific experiment in the Activity Guide.
 - Ensure the correct weights and rubber bands are being used as specified.

For further assistance, please contact Learning Resources customer support.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	14.5 x 9.5 x 4.3 inches
Item Weight	3.52 pounds
Model Number	LER2442
ASIN	B0012OKBK2
Manufacturer Recommended Age	6 - 8 years
Country of Origin	China
Release Date	January 1, 2008
Number of Pieces	63

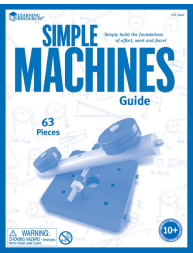


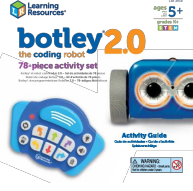
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Download User Guide (PDF)

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