

Observing Properties

Materials:

- Access to outside
- Objects in the home or classroom
- 1. Gather materials in the home or classroom that are or contain minerals. Some examples include aluminum foil, pencils or pens, and technology.
 - a. Discuss what minerals might be inside these common objects and how they make life easier.
 - b. Discuss if there are any objects that are not made entirely out of a mineral, and why this improves its purpose.
- 2. Go outside and collect rocks. Observe their qualities and how they compare to the minerals observed in the common objects previously found inside.