

# Project 5: Sustainable gifts

## Overview

In this project you will design and make a candle-holder, and perhaps candles to go with it, using recycled or sustainable materials as much as possible. The candle-holder will be a gift for someone you know.

### You will need to:

- c decide who you are making the candle-holder for
- c decide where and how they will use the candle-holder
- c collect a variety of reclaimed materials that you could use
- c experiment with different ways of cutting, shaping and joining these materials
- c come up with appropriate designs, making sure that they suit the person you're designing for
- c develop and make your candle-holder
- c test and evaluate your product.

## Background to the project

Everyone appreciates a personal gift that is both beautiful and practical. If the gift also has a message – in this case that we can, and should, make things from reclaimed materials – then it is of extra value. Anything that helps people to understand about sustainable lifestyles can help to improve quality of life.

## Your brief

Design and make a candle-holder, and possibly candles to go with it.

- c The candle-holder should be a personal gift for someone you know and should be made from reclaimed materials as far as possible.

## Possible outcomes

The type of things you could design and make include:

- c candlesticks for the table or mantelpiece
- c a candle lantern to use outdoors (e.g. for a barbecue)
- c a Halloween lantern, or a lantern for a religious festival (e.g. Christmas or Diwali)
- c a lantern from sticks and paper, in an unusual shape.