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Te Whakarōpū — Sorting Task: Approach: One to one Kupu: poihau = balloon nēra = nail Classification moni uka = coin 3 bags, nail, balloon, coin [bag 1: rubber band, plasticine, foam cube;

bag 2: metal spoon, magnet, metal paper ring; bag 3: stone, wooden cube, plastic counter]

Questions / instructions:

Ko tēnei mahi, he tirotiro i ētahi rōpū taonga, me te āta whakaaro he aha i pērā ai te whakarōpū o aua taonga. Kātahi ka tonoa koe ki te hoatu i ētahi taonga anō ki ngā rōpū. E pai ana te whāwhā i ngā taonga.

In this activity you will be looking at some groups of things and deciding why they have been grouped together. Then you will be adding some more things to the groups. You can touch the things.

Whakatakotoria ngā taonga o te pēke tuatahi ki runga i te pēke.

Place objects from bag 1 on top of the bag.

1. He aha tētahi āhuatanga ōrite o ēnei taonga katoa?

> What is something the same about the things in this group?

responses soft/flexible

Whakatakotoria ngā taonga o te pēke tuarua ki runga i te pēke.

Place objects from bag 2 on top of the bag.

2. He aha tētahi āhuatanga ōrite o ēnei taonga katoa?

> What is something the same about the things in this group?

hard metal magnetic metal

Whakatakotoria ngā taonga o te pēke tuatoru ki runga i te pēke.

Place objects from bag 3 on top of the bag.

3. He aha tētahi āhuatanga ōrite o ēnei taonga katoa?

What is something the same about the things in this group?

not metal not magnetic metal

Ināianei, me hoatu tētahi o ēnei taonga ki ia rōpū. Kōwhiria te taonga e tino rite ana ki tēnā rōpū, ki tēnā rōpū. Hoatu te nēra, te poihau me te moni uka.

Now I would like you to put one of these things into each of the groups. Choose a thing that fits best into each group. Hand out nail, balloon and coin.



hard

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% responses 4. Ko tēhea te rōpū e tika ana mō te poihau? Tukuna he wā whakaaroaro mā te ākonga. Where would you put the balloon? Allow time. 96 bag 1 5. He aha koe i hoatu ai i te poihau ki tēnā rōpū? 64 Why did you put it there? soft/flexible 6. Ko tēhea te rōpū e tika ana mō te nēra? Tukuna he wā whakaaroaro mā te ākonga. Where would you put the nail? Allow time. bag 2 7. He aha koe i hoatu ai i te nēra ki tēnā rōpū? Why did you put it there? hard 38 metal magnetic metal 8. Ko tēhea te rōpū e tika ana mō te moni uka? Tukuna he wā whakaaroaro mā te ākonga. Where would you put the coin? Allow time. baq 3 68 9. He aha koe i hoatu ai i te moni uka ki tēnā rōpū? Why did you put it there? hard 36 not magnetic E hiahia ana koe ki te hoatu i ngā taonga ki tētahi rōpū kē atu? Tukuna he wā whakaaroaro mā te ākonga. Is there anything you would like to change? Allow time. 10. He aha koe i huri ai i ōu whakaaro? Why did you change that? not marked [some students had not included "magnetic" as a factor for bag 2 and needed to change that] **Total score:** 11-16 9-10 7-8 26 28 5-6 3-4

Commentary:

Most students came up with classification schemes that were at lease partially appropriate but few distinguished magnetic metals from other metals.