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# **Refining an Idea Activity**

## To learn how to question and redesign a product

### **Purpose of activity:**

To turn the brief on its head to inform and question To provide students with different perspective to build on their ideas For students to identify gaps/opportunities for development for their own designs

# The goal:

Students redesign and change an existing product.

#### How:

Students can do this activity in their teams. Timing: 30 mins

#### You need:

Products from the Design Museum Shop (and/or everyday items such as playing cards, clothes pegs, keyrings, jigsaw puzzles, postcards...)

This can also be undertaken straight after watching the Design Ventura brief (available as a film on the Design Ventura Website)

## Hygiene, Health & Safety:

Hygiene standards should be considered for activities, including regular hand washing, the use of gloves for object handling and cleaning any shared materials with antibacterial wipes/spray between handlings.

#### The activity:

Allocate one product per team Ask every student to sketch their team's product Undertake a quick SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats facing the product) Challenge teams to adapt the product, making it work in a new way (using the 3 Ps: people, product, pieces) Undertake another quick SWOT analysis, reflecting on what has changed

Pin up sketches and discuss as a whole class. Can students identify gaps or problems in their design ideas from this activity?

