Lever and Types of Lever



It is a simple machine with a bar that rests on a fulcrum.

For understanding lever you must know first about:

A. Fulcrum:

A rod is used to lift an object with a stone kept in between. The point against which a lever is placed on which it turns or is supported is called fulcrum.

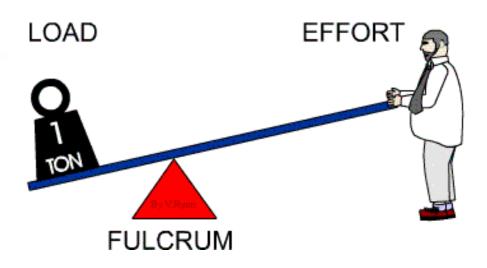
B. Effort:

The force that we apply to move any object is called Effort.

C. Lever:

When we apply force to one side and pushed down and the other side lifts up. Any tool resting on a pivot is called lever.

For examplescissors and staplers are lever. These are the common items that use as levers in our daily life.



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Now we will learn types of lever. There are three types of levers:

A. First Class Lever:

It is a lever in which fulcrum is between load and effort. For example: pliers and scissors.

B. Second Class Lever:

In this lever the load is between fulcrum and effort. For example: wheel barrow and bottle opener.

C. Third Class Lever:

It is a lever in which effort is between the load and the fulcrum. For example: ice tongs and tweezers.

