

Group Activity
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STEM in everyday items

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Perfumes



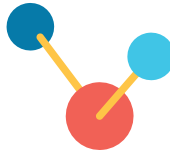
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Did you know...

Perfumes

- › Fragrance is around you all the time whether it is the smell of your freshly laundered clothes, the scent from your deodorant or the aroma of your perfume.
- › Perfumes are made up of many different materials, some natural and some synthetic.
- › A fine fragrance typically contains between 150 and 200 individual chemical compounds.
- › All naturally occurring odour materials contain only 5 chemical elements; hydrogen, carbon, oxygen, nitrogen and sulphur.
- › There is no specific language for odour in any culture. Think about it, it is easy to describe sound, touch, sight but how do you describe odour. How exactly does a banana smell? Or how about an apple? Can you describe the smell apart from saying it smells like a banana? Perfumers have a special language for describing scent.



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