

Examples

Examples of Everyday Objects to Represent Organelles (Teacher Resource)

Here are some examples of objects that represent organelle obviously:

- Mitochondrion – battery
- Golgi body – envelope
- Cell membrane – plastic baggie
- Cell wall – box
- Chloroplast – rechargeable battery
- Vacuoles – small storage containers
- Nucleus – Lego/toy steering wheel
- Cytoplasm – gelatin
- Lysosome – dish soap
- Endoplasmic reticulum – straws (passage)
- Ribosomes – building blocks

For objects that might not be as obvious, collect items like paper clips, blocks, candles, glue, forks, vitamins, dental floss, mints, safety pins, DVDs, etc. Do not choose objects with obvious similarities to a particular organelle.