Texture, brightness, weight and density

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Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each describing word with its meaning.

1 smooth	____	a not weighing much
2 rough	____	b giving a lot of light
3 soft	____	c pleasant and even to touch
4 hard	____	d difficult to press or bend
5 bright	____	e not giving much light
6 dim	____	f having an uneven surface
7 heavy	____	g weighing a lot
8 light	____	h easy to press and pleasant to touch

2 Complete the describing expressions.

bright | **dense** | **heavy** | **light** | **rough** | **smooth** | **soft** | **surface**

1 a _____ texture

2 a hard _____

3 a _____ pillow

4 a _____ stone

5 a _____ room

6 a very _____ metal

7 a _____ bag

8 a _____ table

3 Choose the correct word or phrase.

1 Sandpaper feels *rough* / *smooth*.

2 A lamp makes a room *bright* / *heavy*.

3 A feather is usually *light* / *dense light*.

4 A stone is often *hard* / *dim*.

5 Velvet has a *soft* / *bright* texture.

6 A room with little light is *dim* / *rough*.

7 Lead is *dense* / *soft light* for its size.

8 Glass usually has a *smooth* / *heavy* surface.

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4 Complete the product description with words from the box.

bright | dense | hard | heavy | light | rough | smooth | soft

This desk lamp has a **1** _____ metal base, so it does not fall over easily. The shade is made from a **2** _____ material with a **3** _____ surface. The bulb gives a **4** _____ light, but a lower setting makes it **5** _____. The switch is **6** _____, while the bottom feels slightly **7** _____. Although the base is **8** _____, the shade weighs very little.

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

Why objects float

Density tells us how much matter is packed into a certain space. An object that is less dense than water usually floats. Wood often floats because its average density is lower than the density of water. A small metal coin sinks because metal is usually denser than water. Size alone does not decide whether an object floats.

1 Density describes how closely matter is packed. T / F

2 Objects less dense than water usually float. T / F

3 Wood always sinks in water. T / F

4 A metal coin is usually denser than water. T / F

5 Size alone decides whether something floats. T / F

6 Density helps explain floating and sinking. T / F

6 Rewrite using the word in capitals.

1 The surface was not rough. **SMOOTH** _____

2 The box did not weigh much. **LIGHT** _____

3 The room had very little light. **DIM** _____

4 A lot of matter was packed into a small space. **DENSE** _

OVER TO YOU

Write **70-90 words** describing two objects or materials. Compare their texture, brightness, weight and density.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Include comparisons. [ ] Describe what you can see and feel.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Describing words

1 **c** 2 **f** 3 **h** 4 **d** 5 **b** 6 **e** 7 **g** 8 **a**

2 Describing expressions

1 **rough** 2 **surface** 3 **soft** 4 **heavy** 5 **bright** 6 **dense** 7 **light** 8 **smooth**

3 Correct choices

1 **rough** 2 **bright** 3 **light** 4 **hard**
5 **soft** 6 **dim** 7 **dense** 8 **smooth**

4 Product description

1 **heavy** 2 **light** 3 **smooth** 4 **bright** 5 **dim** 6 **hard** 7 **rough** 8 **dense**

5 Reading - suggested answers

1 **T** 2 **T** 3 **F** 4 **T** 5 **F** 6 **T**

6 Rewriting - possible answers

1 The surface was **smooth**. 2 The box was **light**. 3 The room was **dim**. 4 The material was **dense**.

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check sensory adjectives, comparisons and accurate use of density.