



A **wedge** is an inclined plane which moves. Most wedges (but not all) are combinations of two inclined planes. A knife, axe, razor blade, and teeth are all good examples of wedges. Generally it can be anything that splits, cuts, or divides another object including air and water.



In the above examples identify what is being split or wedged apart by each wedge in the above pictures.

- a rocket....
- a fan...
- a boat...
- teeth...
- a doorstop... (not pictured)

What example did you come up with?



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