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## **Levers at Work**

The lever is a simple machine. It is a stiff bar that pivots on a point called a fulcrum. The bar moves but the fulcrum does not. With a lever, a load is lifted a certain distance when you apply force for another distance. Use the terms in the word box to label the illustrations. Some terms are used more than once.



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## **Three Classes of Levers**

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Levers come in three basic classes. They each have a **fulcrum** or pivot point. Each lever has a **force** put into the lever called an **effort** or input force. Each lever also has a force, called the **load**, which is the object being moved. The type of lever is determined by where the effort and load are placed in relation to the fulcrum. Use the terms in the word box to label each class of lever and the diagrams. Some terms are used more than once.

| first class<br>fulcrum   | second class<br>load   | third class<br>effort    |
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| The effort and load are  | on the same side of the fulcrum, but   | the effort is closer in. |
| Type of Lever:           |  |                          |
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## **Classes of Levers**

Use the terms in the word box to label each class of lever in the illustrations.



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