Length: 'Super me'

Task: Comparing objects using length

Resources

- three different colours of continuous materials such as streamers or string
- tape
- fabric to use as a cape for the Super me character (optional)
- Ask students three length questions that can be asked about a person (e.g. 'Super me').
 - How tall are you?
 - How far can you jump?
 - How long is your shoe?
- Explain to students that they are going to answer these questions about themselves and another person.
- Provide students with continuous lengths such as streamers or string.
- Have students measure and compare the lengths.
- As students work, observe the way they measure length.
- After they have measured, question students as they compare the lengths.

Focus questions

- Q: Which is the longest steamer? How do you know?
- Q: Which is the shortest steamer?
- Q: What does that tell you about the lengths you have measured?
- Q: Which streamer is shorter than this one?



