*Macromolecules*

*Lipids*

*For Upper Secondary Education, 16+*

Aim

You will be given simple materials with which you will create your own models of lipids.

Additional aim

To make a model of the fluid mosaic model of the biological membrane.

**Background….**

Name the three general lipid categories you have studied.

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Biological membranes are made mainly out of phospholipids which form bilayers as shown on the drawing.

1. Explain why phospholipids form bilayers.
2. Use the materials given to make:
	1. A triglyceride molecule
	2. A phospholipid molecule
	3. A model of the phospholipid bilayer.
3. Now try to add the other components of the biological membrane to your previous model (simple phospholipid bilayer) in order to make a model of the biological membrane!!

Also, visit these sites!!

1. <http://www.johnkyrk.com/cellmembrane.html>
2. <http://www.susanahalpine.com/anim/Life/memb.htm>

**Samples**



