## WATER MAGIC

In nature, rainwater seeps through rocks in the ground, a process that helps clean it. Here is a fun experiment to show exactly how this process works. The sand and charcoal trap the particles of dirt in the water, making it cleaner!

> Place the coffee filter in the funnel. Put a layer of charcoal at the bottom of the coffee filter.

Add a layer of sand on top of the charcoal. Place the funnel over the empty container.

While someone else pours the muddy water into the funnel, look at the water as it comes out the bottom. Is it clearer?

## SUPPLIES

- ◊ paper coffee filter
- ◊ funnel
- charcoal gravel from a gardening shop or pet store
- ◊ sand
- $\diamond$  empty container
- container full of muddy water