

Wedge

A **wedge** is a triangle shaped machine. It can be used to stop or hold things in place. When a wedge is pushed under a door, the diagonal edge pushes up against the bottom of the door and holds it still. A **double-wedge** is also triangle shaped, but it is used to split wood or separate things. When the triangle is pushed down, its two sides push out diagonally.

*A door stopper is one example of a wedge,
and an axe is one example of a double-wedge.
Can you think of any others?*

