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The purpose of this task is to help your child to:

- correctly read the scale (marks in gram and kilogram measures) on a set of kitchen scales
- use kitchen scales to accurately measure mass (weight)
- see a purpose for making accurate measures

Make available to your child:

- a set of accurate kitchen scales
- a variety of grocery products that have their weight written on their packaging – they should be complete with contents

You may like to print off the task sheet on the following page or create your own.

Together read the kitchen scales and ensure that your child is familiar with the markings on the scale.



Activity | How heavy is that?

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A practical investigation.

Investigate these two questions:

- does the weight written on the packaging include the weight of the packaging (packet, tin, bag) itself?
- are the weights written on packaging accurate?

You will need:

- a set of accurate kitchen scales
- a variety of grocery products that have their weight written on their packaging.
- a recording sheet

Name of product	Weight on packet (grams)	Weight when full (grams)	Weight of packaging (grams)	Difference (grams)	Finding

Decide **how** you will investigate each question and the **number of products** you should investigate in order to find an answer. It is important to write down what you find out.

