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To Save or Not to Save

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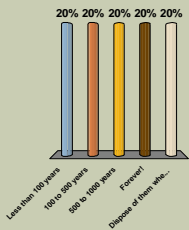


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HISTORIC AND ARTISTIC WORKS



How long should we save things for?

- A. Less than 100 years
- B. 100 to 500 years
- C. 500 to 1000 years
- D. Forever!
- E. Dispose of them when they are old or no longer useful



Category	Percentage
Less than 100 years	20%
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Forever!	20%
Dispose of them when...	20%

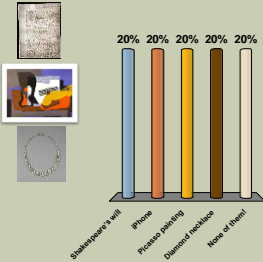
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Let's consider some objects

- An iPhone 
- William Shakespeare's will 
- Picasso painting, 'Still life with guitar' 1922 
- A vintage Tiffany and Co. diamond necklace 

If you could only save one, which would you save?

- A. Shakespeare's will
- B. iPhone
- C. Picasso painting
- D. Diamond necklace
- E. None of them!



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VALUES

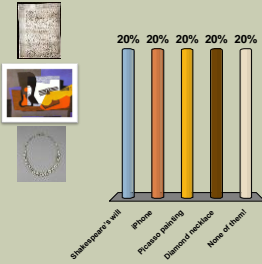
Types of values

- Monetary or market value
- Personal or sentimental
- Artistic
- Celebrity
- Historic
- National



Thinking only about values, which would you save?

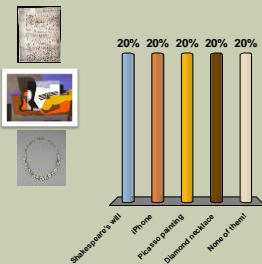
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With this new information, which would you save?


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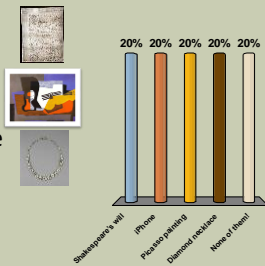
MATERIALS SCIENCE

Life expectancy of materials?

	402 years old	Another... 1000 years?
	5 years old	???
	96 years old	500 years?
	Millions of years old	Millions of years...

Thinking only about materials science, which would you save?

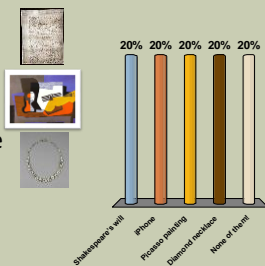
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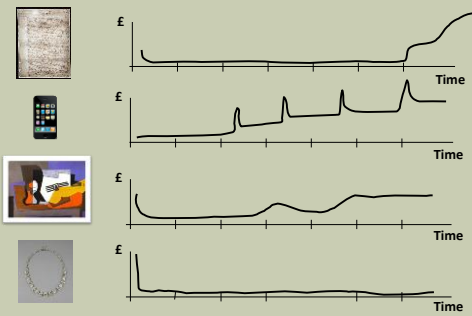
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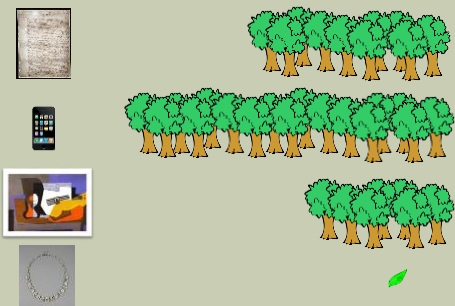
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ECONOMICS AND SUSTAINABILITY

Life cycle cost

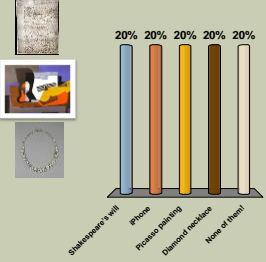


Environmental cost to saving the object



Thinking only economics and sustainability, which would you save?

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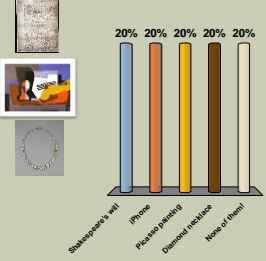


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And finally, which would you take home?

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- B. iPhone
- C. Picasso painting
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