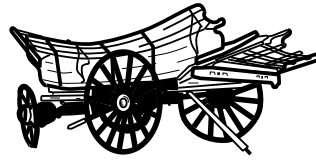


# Victorian Mousetrap

Location: Tilford Building bakery display

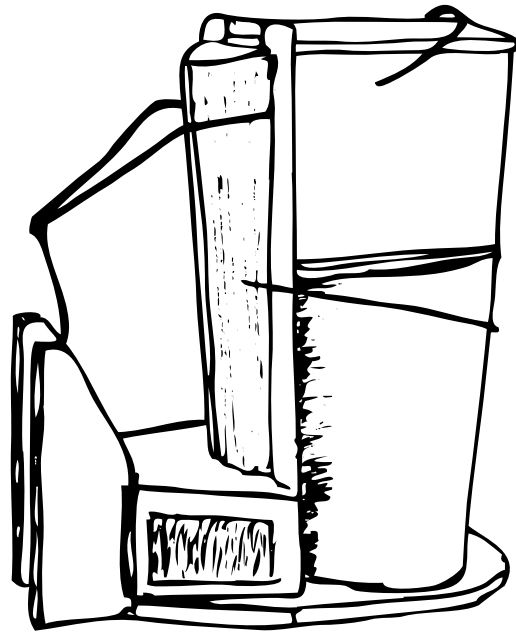


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A mill was full of mice; mice ran everywhere. They came in through the tiniest of holes, and they had a wonderful time racing about the empty building.

A new owner arrived – he wanted to store grain in the mill; the mice had to go! All he could find was this strange mousetrap; it was a really nasty way to rid a mill of mice. How do you think it worked?

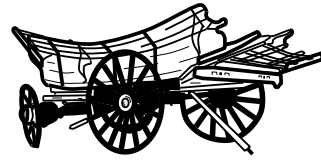
Description:



Design a practical way of clearing the mill of mice. Describe it carefully; perhaps use some diagrams.

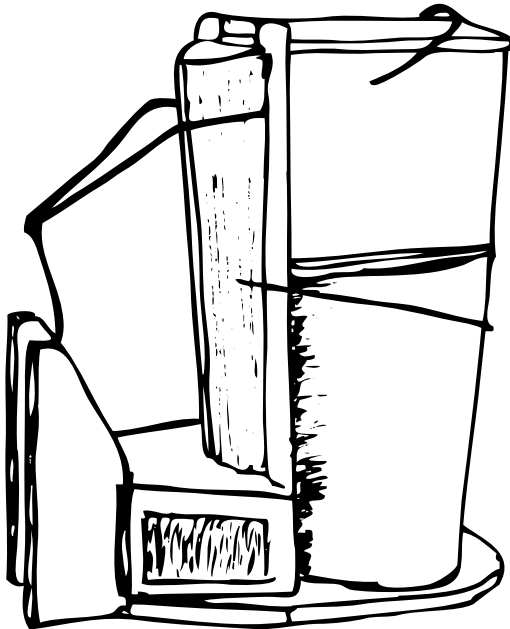
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## Teachers' Notes



The bait is placed just inside.

The mouse enters through the square hole.

The mouse treads on the metal 'step'.

The 'step' tips up.

The metal door closes behind the mouse.

The mouse hunts for a way out.

A cloth is on the inside of the wire tower.

The mouse runs to the top, through the hole onto a trap door.

The trap door collapses, and drops the mouse into water in the bottom tin.