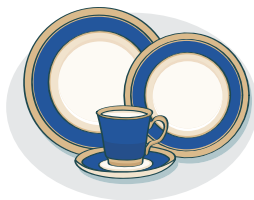
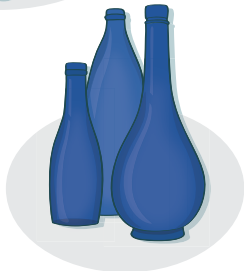
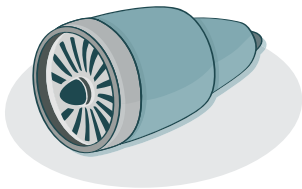
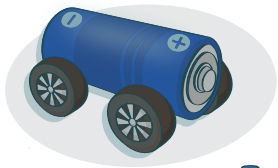

What do all these items have in common?



They are all related to Cobalt

Cobalt (Co) is a lustrous, ferromagnetic metal. It is well known for its beautiful blue colour which is used for porcelain and clothes. Miners had long used the name kobold ore (German for goblin ore) for some of the blue-pigment producing minerals; they were so named because they were poor in known metals.



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