

### Discussing: What Absorbs Water?

Teacher: Look, we got sponges and we got blocks. Anything else that absorbed water?

Boy: Mm, the...the green sponge.

Girl: No! No, blocks --

Teacher: We got sponges absorb water and we got blocks don't absorb water, don't absorb. What else didn't absorb water?

Child: The paper towel.

Teacher: The paper towel? Did the paper towel absorb water?

Girl: Yeah.

Boy: Nope!

Teacher: Not as much as a sponge, huh? But what about -- I remember, I think it was Amani told me there was something else she put in the water that didn't change. Oh, let's go up to here. Water doesn't change the foil. Do you know what foil is?

Boy: I said that!

Teacher: You said that?

Teacher: What's foil? Do you remember?

Boy: Silver stuff.

Teacher: It's silver stuff, right. So, where should we put the foil, absorb or don't absorb?

Children: Don't absorb.

Teacher: Don't absorb.

Teacher: You guys are great scientists. Look what you discovered. You discovered things that absorb and things that don't absorb.

Girl: And those things!

Teacher: And you made all these observations.