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- 3. Help the children to be gentle with the exhibits.
- 4. Have the children predict what will happen when they try the experiment or build the project. Activity guides are available to help you! You can also ask questions of a staff member or volunteer.
- 5. For after-school groups, we suggest that you give the children some brief recreation time before coming to the Lancaster Science Factory. Help them understand that this is not a playground but a continuation of their learning experience, as in school.
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