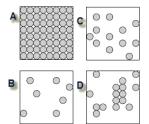
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5. Which of the diagrams best shows the arrangement of molecules in a solid?

(2006-34)



SOL 5.4 – MATTER

Matter is anything that has mass and takes up space; and occurs as a solid, liquid, or gas. Key concepts:

- a. properties of each phase of matter;
- b. the effect of temperature on the phases of matter:
- c. atoms and elements;
- d. molecules and compounds:
- e. mixtures including solutions

SOLID-LIQUID-GAS – PHASES OF MATTER

 The circles in the bottles represent the same particles of matter. Which pattern of particles represents a gas in a bottle?

(2005-28)



2. What will happen if the lid is removed from a container that holds helium gas?

(2004-12)

- The gas will expand and escape from the container.
- b. The gas will slowly change back into a liquid.
- c. When light hits the gas, it will change colors.
- d. Gravity will keep the gas in the container.
- Oxygen, nitrogen, and carbon dioxide may be grouped together because at room temperature they are all a — (2001-7)
 - a. solid
 - b. liquid
 - c. gas
 - d. colloid
- 4. Which of these will happen if the temperature of a metal pan is increased?

(2001-13)

- a. The pan will begin to lose heat.
- b. The molecules of the pan will move faster.
- c. The metal will change into another metal.
- d. The pan will contract.

6. Which picture shows a liquid at room temperature?

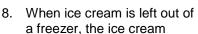
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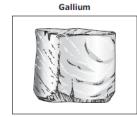


7. Gallium is a metal that melts at about 30°C. If a person, whose body temperature is 37°C, held a cube of gallium for five minutes, what will most likely happen to the gallium?

(2011-18)

- a. It will change to a gas.
- b. It will change to a liquid.
- c. It will become a solution.
- d. It will become a mixture.





- 9. changes from a
 - a. solid to a gas
 - b. gas to a liquid
 - c. solid to a liquid
 - d. liquid to a gas
- 10. Which of these shows how frozen water changes as the temperature of the air increases?

(2007-17)

(2009-4)

- a. Gas \rightarrow liquid \rightarrow solid
- b. Solid \rightarrow gas \rightarrow liquid
- c. Liquid \rightarrow gas \rightarrow solid
- d. Solid \rightarrow liquid \rightarrow gas
- The process shown would be classified as —

(2010-12)

- a. precipitation
- b. condensation
- c. transpiration
- d. evaporation



- 13. Which of these will change solid iron to a liquid? (2006-15)
 - a. Raising the air pressure
 - b. Increasing its temperature
 - c. Crushing the solid iron
 - d. Adding water to the iron
- 14. Which of the following changes is possible with the addition of heat?

(2003-3)

- a. Liquid water changes to ice.
- b. Water vapor changes to ice.
- c. Water vapor changes to liquid water.
- d. Ice changes to liquid water.

ATOMS, ELEMENTS, MOLECULES, COMPOUNDS

- 15. Water, ice, and steam are alike because they (2006-28)
 - a. are the same compound
 - b. have the same shape
 - c. look the same
 - d. feel the same
- The smallest quantity of an element is (2002-10)
 - a. a compound
 - b. an atom
 - c. a solution
 - d. a molecule
- 17. The smallest part of matter that is identifiable as an element is the —

(2003-36)

- a. atom
- b. molecule
- c. cell
- d. compound
- 18. Which of these will most likely happen to the balloon as the chemicals react?

a. It will float.

- b. It will break.
- c. It will inflate.
- d. It will change color.



MIXTURES & SOLUTIONS

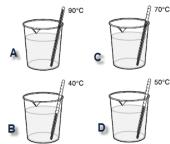
19. Which of these is a mixture?

(2006-13)

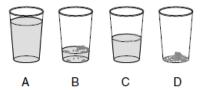
- a. Salt
- b. Water
- c. Lemonade
- d. Sugar
- 20. People put sugar in their tea to make it sweet. The sugar will dissolve fastest when the tea —

(2004-16)

- a. is hot
- b. is cold
- c. is in a tall glass
- d. has lemon in it
- 21. In which beaker of water will sugar dissolve the fastest? (2005-35)



- 22. A student makes a fruit drink by stirring a powdered mix into cold water. Why is the fruit drink a solution? (2009-18)
 - a. The powder dissolves in the water.
 - b. The water changes color.
 - The student stirs the water.
 - d. The water is the proper temperature.



23. Which set of pictures shows what happens to a glass of salt water when it is left out on a counter for several weeks?

(2006-31)

- a. $C \rightarrow D \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$
- b. $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow B \rightarrow D$
- c. $B \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow D$
- d. $D \rightarrow B \rightarrow A \rightarrow C$