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## **SOL 5.7 – MATTER**

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

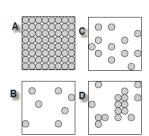
- a. matter is composed of atoms;
- b. substances can be mixed together without changes in their physical properties; and
- c. energy has an effect on the phases of matter.

# 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?



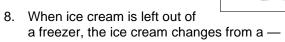
- 2. What will happen if the lid is removed from a container that holds helium gas?
  - a. The gas will expand and escape from the container.
  - b. The gas will slowly change back into a liquid.
  - c. When light hits the gas, it will change colors.
  - d. Gravity will keep the gas in the container.
- 3. Oxygen, nitrogen, and carbon dioxide may be grouped together because at room temperature they are all a
  - a. solid
  - b. liquid
  - c. gas
  - d. colloid
- 4. Which of these will happen if the temperature of a metal pan is increased?
  - a. The pan will begin to lose heat.
  - b. The tiny particles that make up the pan will move faster.
  - c. The metal will change into another metal.
  - d. The pan will contract.
- 5. Which of the diagrams best shows the arrangement of molecules in a solid?



6. Which picture shows a liquid at room temperature?



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



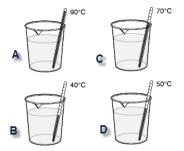
- a. solid to a gas
- b. gas to a liquid
- c. solid to a liquid
- d. liquid to a gas
- 9. Which of these shows how frozen water changes as the temperature of the air increases?
  - a. Gas  $\rightarrow$  liquid  $\rightarrow$  solid
  - b. Solid  $\rightarrow$  gas  $\rightarrow$  liquid
  - c. Liquid  $\rightarrow$  gas  $\rightarrow$  solid
  - d. Solid  $\rightarrow$  liquid  $\rightarrow$  gas
- 10. Which of these will change solid iron to a liquid?
  - a. Raising the air pressure
  - b. Increasing its temperature
  - c. Crushing the solid iron
  - d. Adding water to the iron
- 11. Which of the following changes is possible with the addition of heat?
  - 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**

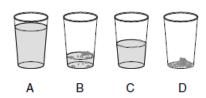
- 12. Water, ice, and steam are alike because they
  - a. are the same substance
  - b. have the same shape
  - c. look the same
  - d. feel the same
- 13. The smallest particle of matter is
  - a. the atom
  - b. the molecule
  - c. the cell
  - d. air

### **MIXTURES & SOLUTIONS**

- 14. Which of these is a mixture?
  - a. Salt
  - b. Water
  - c. Lemonade
  - d. Sugar
- 15. People put sugar in their tea to make it sweet. The sugar will dissolve fastest when the tea
  - a. is hot
  - b. is cold
  - c. is in a tall glass
  - d. has lemon in it
- 16. In which beaker of water will sugar dissolve the fastest?



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



- 18. Which set of pictures shows what happens to a glass of salt water when it is left out on a counter for several weeks?
  - a.  $C \rightarrow D \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$
  - b.  $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow B \rightarrow D$
  - $c. \quad B \to A \to C \to D$
  - $d.\quad D\to B\to A\to C$
- 19. When stirred, which two substances form a solution?
  - a. Sand and salt
  - b. Sugar and salt
  - c. Sand and water
  - d. Sugar and water