Holmer C E Academy - Science

Topic: Properties and changes of materials

What should I already know?

- A variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock.
- The physical properties of a variety of everyday materials (including those that are transparent) and to compare and group materials on the basis of these properties
- How materials are suitably used based on their properties.
- How magnets and electrical circuits work.
- Some materials which are magnetic.
- How shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.
- Materials that are solids, liquids and gases and their particle structure.
- Some materials change state when they are heated or cooled and the temperature at which this happens.
- The roles of melting, evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and the role temperature has on the rate of evaporation.
- Some rocks are permeable.

New Vocabulary							
circuit	a complete route which an electric current can flow around						
condensation	small drops of water which form when water vapour or steam touches a cold surface, such as a window						
conductor	a substance that heat or electricity can pass through or along						
dissolves	when a substance is mixed with a liquid and the substance disappears						
electricity	a form of energy that can be carried by wires and in used for heating and lighting, and to provide power for devices						
evaporation	to turn from liquid into gas; pass away in the form of vapour.						
filtering	a device used to remove dirt or other solids from liquids or gases . A filter can be made of paper, charcoal, or other material with tiny holes in it.						
flexible	an object or material can be bent easily without breaking						
gas	a form of matter that is neither liquid nor solid . A gas rapidly spreads out when it is warmed and contracts when it is cooled.						
insoluble	impossible to dissolve , esp. in a given liquid .						
insulator	a non-conductor of electricity or heat						
irreversible	impossible to reverse, turn back, or change.						
liquid	in a form that flows easily and is neither a solid nor a gas .						
magnetic	having to do with magnets and the way they work						
melting	to change from a solid to a liquid state through heat or pressure						
particles	a tiny amount or small piece						
permeable	of a substance, being such that gas or liquid can pass through it						
process	a series of actions used to produce something or reach a goal.						
properties	the ways in which an object behaves						
rate	the speed with which something happens						
resistance	the opposing power of one force against another.						
reversible	able to turn or change back						
solid	having a firm shape or form that can be measured in length, width, and height; not like a liquid or a gas						
soluble	able to be dissolved .						
solution	a mixture that contains two or more substances combined evenly						
state	the structure or condition of something						
temperature	a measure of how hot or cold something is						
thermal	relating to or caused by heat or by changes in temperature						
transparent	If an object is transparent , you can see through it						
variable	something that can change or that has no fixed value						
water cycle	the process by which water on the earth evaporates, then condenses in the atmosphere, and then returns to earth in the form of precipitation.						

What will I know by the end of the unit?

How to group materials





Strand: Chemistry



magnetic

properties using more complex vocabulary.







What are thermal insulators and conductors?

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based on

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- Materials which are good thermal conductors allow heat to move through them easily.
- Thermal conductors are used to make items that require heat to travel through them easily, such as a saucepan which requires heat to travel through to cook food.
- Thermal insulators do not let heat travel through them easily.
- Examples of thermal insulators include woollen clothes and flasks for hot drinks.





thermal insulator

thermal conductor

What are electrical insulators and conductors?

- Electrical conductors allow electricity to pass through them easily while electrical insulators
- Electrical insulators have a high resistance which means that it is hard for electricity to pass through these objects.





electrical insulator electrical conductor

What is dissolving?

- When the particles of a solid mix with the particles of a liquid, this is called dissolving.
- The result is a solution.
- Materials that dissolve are soluble.
- Materials that do not dissolve are insoluble.









materials be separated after they have been mixed?

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- Some materials can be separated after they have been mixed based on their propertiesthis is called a reversible change.
- Some methods of separation include the use of a magnet, a filter (for insoluble materials), a sieve (based on the size of the solids) and evaporation.
- When a mixture cannot be separated backinto the original components, this is called an irreversible change. Examples of this include when materials burn or mixing bicarbonate of soda with vinegar.

Practical Investigations:

- Find the best material to stop an ice cube from melting. Remember to keep it a fair test by using the same number of ice cubes, or same size
- Place the same amount of a hot liquid in a thermal insulator and conductor. Measure the temperature over time and plot these on the same line graph. Use the line graph to ask and answer questions
- Find out if thermal conductors also make good electrical conductors.
- Explain the difference between dissolving and melting
- Investigate which materials are soluble and insoluble
- Design an experiment that investigates dissolving consider which variables you could change including: size of beaker, amount of liquid, number of stirs, sizeof solid, temperature of solid (remember that for a fair test all other variables must remain the same).
- Create a variety of mixtures using materials such as salt, sand, water, paper clips and rice and use a variety of methods to separate them.
- Observe and compare the changes that take place when cakes are baked or bicarbonate of soda mixes withvinegar.
- Research Spencer Silver or Ruth Benerito who are chemists that created new materials

Related Reads:

Foxton Primary Science: Properties and Changes of Materials. Nichola Tyrrell. Science Materials KS2. L Pearce.

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Question 1: Thermal insulators(tick two)	End of unit:		Question 7: Describe an efficient way of separating paper clips from rice and explain why you chose this method.		End of unit:		
do not allow heat to pass through easily			, ,				
allow heat to pass through easily keep heat contained and keep things warm							
do not keep heat contained and allow things to cool							
Q2: Examples of electrical conductors are(tick all that apply)	End of unit:						
copper			Question 8: You con	duct an experiment to	End		
plastic			_	solids dissolve quicker	End of		
wood			than others. Name of make the test fair.	one thing you will do to	unit:		
rubber			make the test fail.				
Question 3: Materials that dissolve are:	End of unit:						
insoluble							
soluble							
a solution					End		
Question 4: When solid particles mix with the particles of a liquid, this is called	End of unit:		Question 9: Match t most efficient meth		of unit:		
evaporation			water	filtering			
filtering					_		
dissolving			uioo on d		7 I		
sieving			rice and water	sieving			
Question 5: A synonym for the word	End of				_		
'permeable' is	unit:		sand and				
waterproof			water	evaporating			
absorbent					_		
magnetic							
transparent				<i>t</i> -1 <i>t</i> -1			
uestion 6: Match these changes to e scientific name for the process.	End of unit:		Question 10: Write indicate if these are reversible or irrever	examples of	End of unit:		
			frying an egg	-			
ice turns to condensation			mixing paper clips a	nd sand			
water			mixing sugar and wa	ater			
vater turns to			baking a cake				
water vapour evaporation			mixing flour and wa	ter			
water vapour melting			mixing coins and flo	ur			
urns to water			mixing bicarbonate	of soda and vinegar			
			mixing oil and wate	r			