

LESSON PLAN ON CREATIVE THINKING SKILLS

Name of the teacher _____ Date _____

Name of the School _____ Grade : 7 (even)

Duration of the period :2x40' Subject: Chemistry

Topic of the lesson : Mixtures Sub-topic : **Creating Mixtures**

Students will learn about different types of mixtures and their characteristics by creating simple mixture “recipes” and presenting them to the class

Objectives of the Lesson

At the end of the lesson the student will be able to:

- identify the differences between *homogeneous*, *heterogeneous*, and *suspension* mixtures
- make mixtures out of various materials
- create recipes for mixtures and present them to the class

Prerequisite Knowledge

Have students read the book *Mixtures and Solutions* before starting the lesson. Students should understand that a mixture is a combination of two or more materials.

Teaching Learning Materials

- *Mixtures and Solutions* books
- glass of water
- glass of lemonade (pulp-free)
- chalkboard and chalk or whiteboard and markers
- student copies of the *Mix It Up!* reproducible
- materials for mixtures: sugar, salt, sand, corn starch, flour, powdered drink mix, small pasta pieces, vegetable oil, water
- containers for materials (4 per material)
- label stickers
- tablespoon measuring scoop (4 per material)
- paper towels
- small clear containers (3 per group)
- spoons

Teaching Learning Activities

Activity 1. Introduction (8 minutes)

Show students a glass of lemonade. Ask: *Is this lemonade a mixture?* Ask students how lemonade is made. Then ask students if they can see the three ingredients in the glass of

lemonade. Explain that because the sugar dissolved in the lemonade, it is an example of a *homogeneous* mixture.

Activity 2: Class Discussion (20 minutes)

- Write *homogeneous*, *heterogeneous*, and *suspension* on the board.
- Ask students to define a homogeneous mixture.
- Ask: *Can you see the parts that make up a homogeneous mixture?*
- Ask students for some examples of a homogeneous mixture and write their responses on the board. (lemonade, brewed tea or coffee, etc.)
- Ask students to define a heterogeneous mixture.
- Ask: *Can you see the parts that make up a heterogeneous mixture?*
- Have students give some examples of heterogeneous mixtures, and write their answers on the board.
- Ask students what a suspension mixture is. (a liquid that has solid parts that separate over time)
- Ask: *Can you see the parts that make up a suspension mixture?* (At first you can't because the mixture is cloudy, but later you can see the parts because the mixture separates.)
- Discuss some examples of suspension mixtures and write them on the board. (mixed paint, sandy water, muddy water, tomato juice, etc.)

Activity 3: Creating Mixture Recipes (20 minutes)

- Before class begins, set up four materials stations for the mixtures in four different areas of the classroom.
- Divide each material into 4 containers, label each with the material's name, and lay a scoop by the container.
- Then put one container of each material at each station around the room, ensuring that each station has all the materials.
- Line each station's surface with paper towels in case of spills.
- Divide the class into small groups, and assign each group to a station.
- Distribute the *Mix It Up!* reproducible, clear containers (3 per group), and spoons to each group. Tell students that they are going to create a homogeneous, heterogeneous, and suspension mixture.
- Explain that the ingredients for their mixtures are in the labeled containers, and that each scoop equals one tablespoon.

- Tell students that they should think about the characteristics of each type of mixture and then examine the ingredients to decide which ones they should combine to make each mixture.
- Tell students that they should use only 2–3 ingredients per mixture.
- Students should put the ingredients for each mixture in the clear containers, stir the ingredients in their mixtures, and then write the results on their reproducible.
- Students should also create names for their mixtures.

Activity 4: The Mixture Lab (32 minutes)

- Tell students that they are starring in a segment of “The Mixture Lab” show.
- Ask each group to present one of their mixture recipes to the class.
- Have students stand in front of one of the materials stations, and give each group a clean container and spoon to use for their recipe demonstration. Each group should tell the class the name of their mixture and the ingredients used.
- Groups should then demonstrate making their mixture to the class and finish by revealing the type of mixture the recipe created.

Home work

Create a cookbook of mixture recipes that is divided into three sections: homogeneous, heterogeneous, and suspension. You should think about materials they might have at home or at school that they could use to create your mixtures. You should define the type of mixture at the beginning of each section and then write 3 recipes for each mixture.