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#### Virginia Standards of Learning

The complete set of items that appeared on the Spring 2000 Standards of Learning test taken by most public school students in Virginia is presented in the following pages. The intent of this release of these test questions is to provide parents and teachers additional information to accompany the Student Performance Report and/or the Parent Report.

The information accompanying each test question is broken into several components:

**Reporting Category:** Matches the score report and allows for identification of strengths and weaknesses indicated by student scores.

**Standard of Learning:** Presents the SOL used in developing the assessment question.

**Builds On:** Indicates what the student has studied in previous course work.

**Instruction:** Provides information for teachers to use as the SOL is incorporated into instruction.

The answer to each question can be found in the back of the booklet.



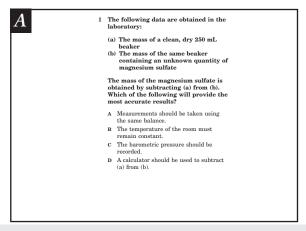


End of Course

**Reporting Category:** Scientific Investigation

- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:
  - a) designated laboratory techniques.

**Builds On:** Work with variables begins in the fifth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of the science SOL.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine the mass of a substance container such as a beaker or cup.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:
  - b) safe use of chemicals and equipment.

**Builds On:** Work with variables begins in the fifth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of the science SOL.

F heating the test tube gently to prevent the solution from boiling over G pointing the test tube away from others so that no one is injured H placing a stopper in the test tube to prevent gas from escaping J holding the test tube with test tube clamps to avoid touching hot objects	B 2	Many reactions are taken to completion by heating the reaction mixture in a test tube. Each of the following would be a safe practice except—
		the solution from boiling over  G pointing the test tube away from others so that no one is injured  H placing a stopper in the test tube to prevent gas from escaping J holding the test tube with test tube

**Instruction:** Provide students information to understand proper safety procedures for heating a reaction mixture in a test tube.

- End of Course
- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:
  - d) multiple variables are manipulated with repeated trials.

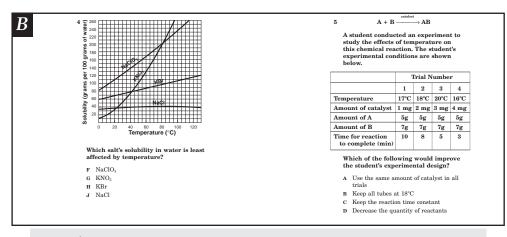
**Builds On:** Work with repeated trials with variables begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of the science SOL.

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A	Trial	Volume	Pressure	Temperature			
	1	100 mL	250 mm Hg	298 K			
	2	300 mL	83 mm Hg	298 K			
	3	500 mL	50 mm Hg	298 K			
	volum experi How c tempe	e on gas ment, h ould he rature o	s pressure. e recorded now study on gas press		ata. f		
		A Vary the temperature but keep the gas volume constant					
	в Var	gas only					
	C Vary the pressure and temperature of the gas						
		y the ten gas	nperature ar	nd volume of			

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to analyze the results of an experiment and to determine how to change the experiment to study another variable.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:
- e) accurate recording, organizing, and analysis of data through repeated trials.

**Builds On:** Work with recording, organizing, and analyzing data begins with the second grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of the science SOL.



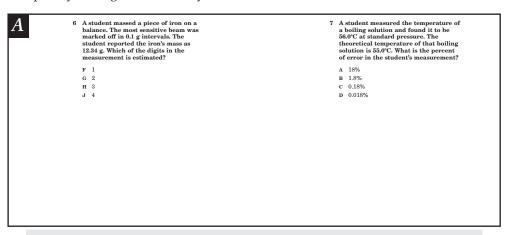
**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to analyze the graph of results for an experiment to determine how one variable affects the other; and to analyze a table of results for an experiment to determine how to improve the experimental design.

End of Course

**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:

f) mathematical and procedural error analysis.

**Builds On:** Work with identifying numerical data that are contradictory or unusual in experimental results begins in the fourth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

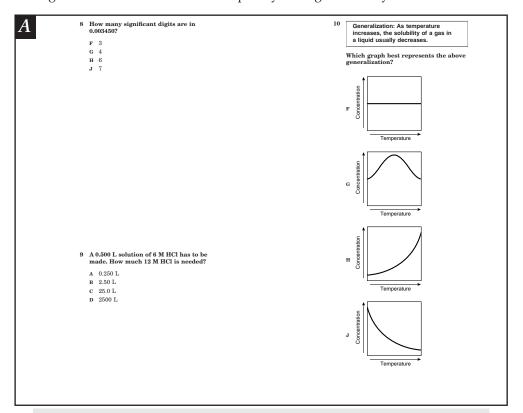


**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to analyze and report the weight of an object on a decigram balance and to determine the percent of error between the experimental and theoretical temperatures.



- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.1 The student will investigate and understand that experiments in which variables are measured, analyzed, and evaluated, produce observations and verifiable data. Key concepts include:
- g) mathematical manipulations (SI units, scientific notation, linear equations, graphing, ratio and proportion, significant digits, dimensional analysis, use of scientific calculator).

**Builds On:** Work with gathering, charting, and graphing data begins with the third grade SOL and increases in complexity through the study of science.



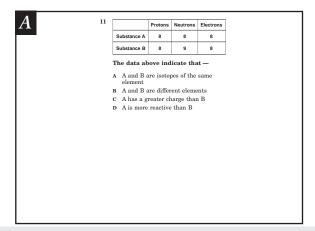
**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine the number of significant digits in a number; to determine how to dilute a substance to a desired concentration; and to represent generalizations with graphs.

End of Course

**Reporting Category:** Atomic Structure and Periodic Relationships

- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - b) isotopes/half-lives/nuclear particles.

**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to analyze information about two elements to determine if they are isotopes of the same element.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - c) particle/mass charge.

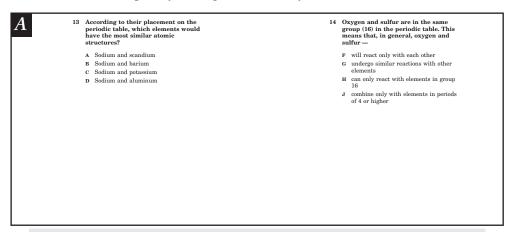
**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

B	A neutral atom of calcium has 20 electrons. Calcium forms a 2+ ion. How many electrons does a calcium ion have?
	F 2
	G 18
	н 20
	J 22
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**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to identify the composition of an ion based on the number of electrons in a neutral atom.

- End of Course
- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - d) families/groups.

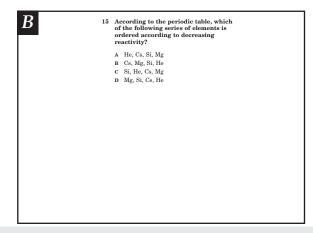
**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate similarities between elements in the same group and to identify elements for similar atomic structure.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - f) trends/patterns: atomic/nuclear radii, electronegativity, shielding effect.

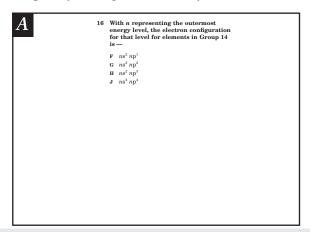
**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to arrange elements in order of decreasing reactivity using the periodic table.

- End of Course
- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - g) electron configurations/oxidation numbers.

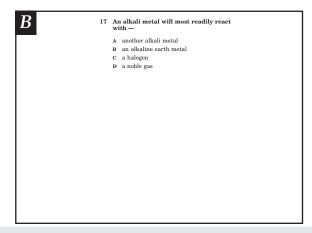
**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to represent the electron configuration for the outermost energy level of elements in the same group.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - h) chemical/physical properties.

**Builds On:** Work with the properties of materials begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

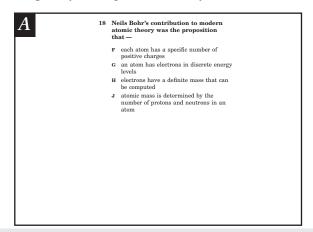


**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate what reacts with alkali metals.

End of Course

- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.2 The student will investigate and understand that the placement of elements on the periodic table is a function of their atomic structure. The periodic table is a tool used for the investigations of
  - i) historical/quantum models.

**Builds On:** Work with atoms and their structures begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

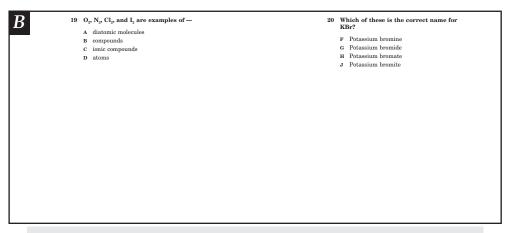


**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate Neil Bohr's contribution to modern atomic theory.

**Reporting Category:** Nomenclature, Chemical Formulas, and Reactions **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:

a) nomenclature.

**Builds On:** Work with mixtures, compounds, and elements begins with the sixth grade SOL and continues to increase in complexity throughout the study of science.



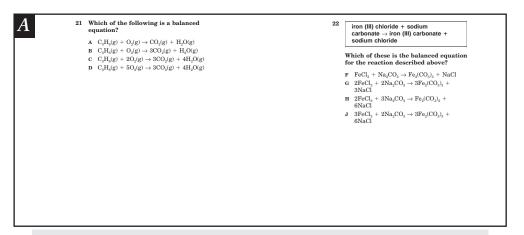
**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to understand how to write chemical formula.



**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:

b) balancing chemical equations.

**Builds On:** Work with mixtures, compounds, and elements begins with the sixth grade SOL and continues to increase in complexity throughout the study of science.



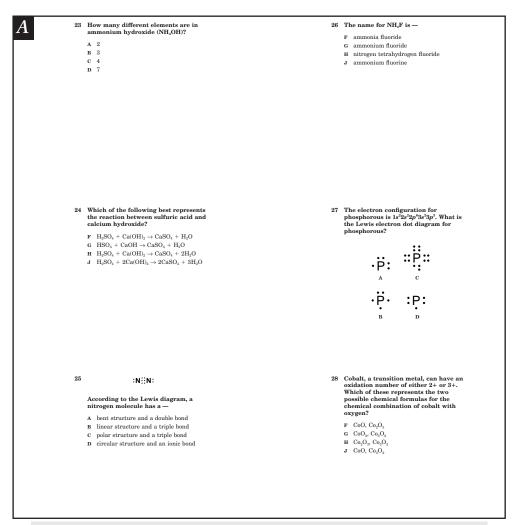
**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to translate from reaction written in words to a balanced chemical equation and to balance chemical equations.

End of Course

**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:

c) writing chemical formulas—molecular, structural, empirical, and Lewis diagrams.

**Builds On:** Work with mixtures, compounds, and elements begins with the sixth grade SOL and continues to increase in complexity throughout the study of science.



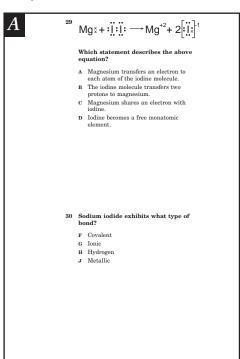
**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to describe a molecular shape and bond type based on the Lewis electron dot diagram, to analyze a Lewis diagram, to write the chemical equation for a given reaction, to determine the number of elements in a chemical formula, to identify a compound given its formula, and to identify possible chemical formulas based on a given oxidation number.

End of Course

**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:

d) bonding types—ionic, covalent.

**Builds On:** Work with mixtures, compounds, and elements begins with the sixth grade SOL and continues to increase in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to identify the bonding type in simple compounds and to identify a description of an ionic equation.

**B. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:

e) reaction types—synthesis, decomposition, single and double replacement, oxidation-reduction, neutralization, nuclear, exothermic and endothermic, spontaneous/non-spontaneous, dissociation ionization.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

B	31	Which of the following reactions is a decomposition reaction? A $S_a + 8O_2 \rightarrow 8SO_2$ B $O_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2O_2$ C $2KClO_3 \rightarrow 2ECl + 3O_2$ D $2Na + 2AgCl \rightarrow 2NaCl + 2Ag$
S	32	Which of the following reactions is a neutralization reaction? $F \ 2AgNO_3 + Cu \rightarrow Cu(NO_5)_2 + 2Ag$ $G \ KOH + HNO_3 \rightarrow KNO_3 + H_0$ $H \ C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$ $J \ 4Fe(OH)_2 + 2H_2O_2 \rightarrow 4Fe(OH)_3$
3	33	Which of the following reactions is an example of a single-replacement reaction? $ \begin{array}{l} A  2AgNO_3 + Cu \rightarrow Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2Ag \\ B  NaOH + HCl \rightarrow NaCl + H_2O \\ C  CO_2 \rightarrow C \cdot O_2 \\ D  4Fe(OH)_2 + O_2 \rightarrow 4Fe(OH)_3 \\ \end{array} $

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to identify a decomposition reaction from a chemical equation; to identify a single-replacement reaction from a chemical equation; and to identify a neutralization reaction from a chemical equation.

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- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.3 The student will investigate and understand how conservation of energy and matter is expressed in chemical formulas and balanced equations. Key concepts include:
- g) reaction rates and kinetics: activation energy, catalysis, degree of randomness.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

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34 When seltzer tablets are placed in a glass of water, they fizz as they release a gas. To increase the speed that gas is released from each tablet, it would be best to increase the—

F volume of the glass
G temperature of the water
H amount of water
J hardness of the water

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate variables that increase reaction rates.

**Reporting Category:** Molar Relationships

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:
- a) Avogadro's principle, molar volume.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

35 What is the mass of one mole of S<sub>a</sub>?

A 32.1 mg
B 32.1 g
C 257 g
D 4.8 × 10<sup>22</sup> g

36 What is the mass of 2 moles of HgO?

F 108 g
G 217 g
H 323 g
J 433 g

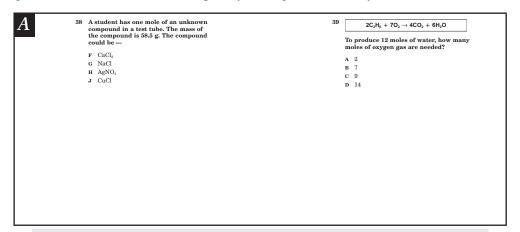
37 One mole of which of these compounds contains two moles of hydrogen atoms?

A CH<sub>1</sub>
B H<sub>2</sub>S
C NaOH
D NH<sub>3</sub>

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine the mass of a mole of an element; to determine the mass of two moles of a compound; and to determine when a mole of a compound contains two moles of an atom.

- End of Course
- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:
  - b) stoichiometric relationships.

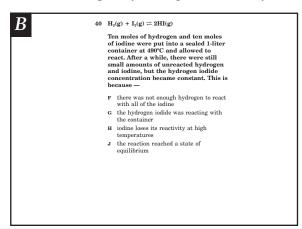
**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine a possible unknown compound, knowing its mole quantity and its given mass; and to determine the number of moles of oxygen gas needed to produce 12 moles of water in a given chemical equation.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:
  - f) chemical equilibrium.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate a reaction that reaches a state of chemical equilibrium.

- End of Course
- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:
- g) acid/base theory: strong/weak electrolytes, dissociation/ionization (pH, pOH), and titration.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

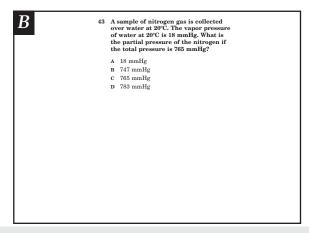
	es of Com			42 Which of the following is not a l
Indicator	pH range	Color it turns if pH below range	Color it turns if pH above range	$ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{F}  \mathbf{Al}(\mathbf{OH})_3 \\ \mathbf{G}  \mathbf{Cal}(\mathbf{OH})_2 \\ \\ \mathbf{H}  \mathbf{CaSO}_4 \\ \mathbf{J}  \mathbf{KOH} \end{array} $
cresol red	0.2 - 1.8	red	yellow	9 NOII
methyl orange	3.2 - 4.4	red	yellow	
methyl red	4.8 - 6.0	red	yellow	
litmus	5.5 - 8.0	red	blue	
bromothymol blue	6.0 - 7.6	yellow	blue	
phenol red	6.6 - 8.0	yellow	red	
thymol blue	8.0 - 9.6	yellow	blue	
phenolphthalein	8.2 - 10.6	colorless	red	
A solution of u with two indic turned yellow red. Which of the solution?	cators. Me and metl	ethyl ora nyl red t	ange urned	
A 3.0				
В 4.0 С 4.6				

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine possible pH values for a solution using a chart of common indicators and to identify compounds as bases or acids based on their formula.

Reporting Category: Phases of Matter and Kinetic Molecular Energy

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:
  - c) partial pressure.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

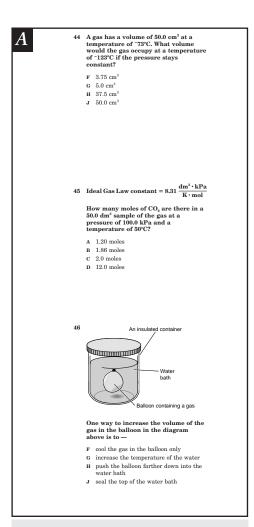


**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine partial pressure for nitrogen gas collected over water.

**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.4 The student will investigate and understand that quantities in a chemical reaction are based on molar relationships. Key concepts include:

d) gas laws.

**Builds On:** Work with changes in chemical composition begins with the sixth grade SOL and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.

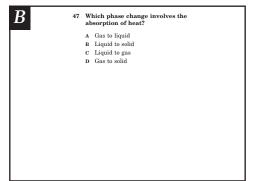


**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to apply the formula for Ideal Gas Law constant; to determine how to increase the volume of gas in a balloon submerged in water; and to determine change in volume when temperature decreases and pressure is constant.

**B. Standard of Learning:** CH.5 The student will investigate and understand that the phases of matter are explained by kinetic theory and forces of attraction between particles. Key concepts include:

d) phase changes.

**Builds On:** Work with the kinetic theory begins in Physical Science in the eighth grade and increases in complexity throughout the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to investigate the phase change that involves the absorption or release of heat.

End of Course

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- **A. Standard of Learning:** CH.5 The student will investigate and understand that the phases of matter are explained by kinetic theory and forces of attraction between particles. Key concepts include:
  - e) molar heats of fusion and vaporization.

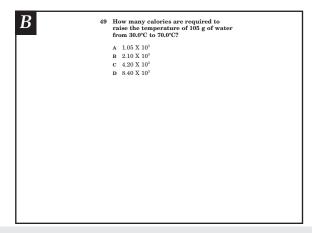
**Builds On:** Work with vaporization and heat transfer begins in Physical Science in eighth grade and increases in complexity through the study of science.

48		Heat of Vaporization		
	Substance	at the Boiling Point		
	Water (H <sub>2</sub> O)	539 calories per gram		
	Alcohol (CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH)	204 calories per gram		
	Chloroform (CHCl <sub>3</sub> )	59 calories per gram		
	What probably causes chloroform to the lowest heat of vaporization?			
	F Smallest size of	f the molecules listed		
	${\bf G}  Smallest \; mass \\$	of the molecules listed		
	H Smallest internation	nolecular forces of		
	J Fewest number	of bonds		

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to interpret a chart with information about vaporization and determine why one substance has the lowest heat of vaporization.

- **B. Standard of Learning:** CH.5 The student will investigate and understand that the phases of matter are explained by kinetic theory and forces of attraction between particles. Key concepts include:
  - f) specific heat capacity.

**Builds On:** Work with heat transfer begins in Physical Science in eighth grade and increases in complexity through the study of science.



**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to calculate the number of calories needed to raise the temperature of a given mass of water by a given number of degrees.

End of Course

**A. Standard of Learning:** CH.5 The student will investigate and understand that the phases of matter are explained by kinetic theory and forces of attraction between particles. Key concepts include:

g) solutions.

**Builds On:** Work with solubility begins in Physical Science in eighth grade and increases in complexity through the study of science.

	Molecular Weight	Density	Polar	Melting Point (°C)	Boiling Point (°C)
Benzene	78.11	.878	No	5.5	80
Methanol	32.04	.791	Yes	-97	65
Hexane	86.18	.659	No	-91	98
Octane	114.23	.702	No	-57	126
Water	18.0	1.0	Yes	0.0	100
F Ber G Me	ve the s nzene thanol xane cane	substa	ince		

**Instruction:** Provide students an opportunity to determine a solvent for a given substance based on a chart of information.