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**Grade 5 Science**

**Unit** **1 Task 1 Specification Tool & Verification of Alignment**

**Matter and Its Interactions**

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| **Grade: 5** | **Unit: 1** | **Task Number: 1** | **Task Title: What’s The Matter?** |
| **NGSS Performance Expectations** | | | |
| **5-PS1-1.** Develop a model to describe that matter is made of particles too small to be seen. [Clarification Statement: Examples of evidence supporting a model could include adding air to expand a basketball, compressing air in a syringe, dissolving sugar in water, and evaporating salt water.] [*Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include the atomic-scale mechanism of evaporation and condensation or defining the unseen particles.*]  **5-PS1-3.** Make observations and measurements to identify materials based on their properties. [Clarification Statement: Examples of materials to be identified could include baking soda and other powders, metals, minerals, and liquids. Examples of properties could include color, hardness, reflectivity, electrical conductivity, thermal conductivity, response to magnetic forces, and solubility; density is not intended as an identifiable property.] [*Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include density or distinguishing mass and weight.*]  **5-PS1-4.** Conduct an investigation to determine whether the mixing of two or more substances results in new substances. | | | |
| **Phenomena or Phenomena-rooted Design Problem** | | | |
| * Students explore how to blow up a balloon using the chemical reaction between baking soda and vinegar. | | | |
| **Scenario/Context/Situation/Boundaries** | | | |
| * The scenario includes a situation in which students plan an investigation to identify unknown substances. * Some properties of the substances relate to the idea that matter is made of particles too small to be seen. | | | |
| **Variable Features to Shift Complexity or Focus** | | | |
| * Complexity of scientific concept(s) to be modeled. * Model may be student-created or provided for revision or creation. * Representation of model. * What matter is being modeled? * States of matter represented and/or included. * Number of states of matter presented. * Comparisons of states of matter. * Properties presented. * Materials to be identified. | | | |
| **General Description of Task/Chain of Sensemaking** | | | |
| * Students model the arrangement of gas particles that are too small to be seen and explain that gas is made of particles too small to be seen. **[Prompt 1: 5-PS1-1, KSA1]** * Students support or refute a statement comparing particle arrangements of solids, liquids, and gases using evidence provided in the scenario and scientific knowledge. [**Prompt 1, Part C: 5-PS1-1 & 5-PS1-3, KSA1]** * Students determine the combinations of unknown solids with water and vinegar to design an investigation plan to identify unknown materials. **[Prompt 2: 5-PS1-3 & 5-PS1-4, KSA 1]** * Students describe the procedure of an investigation to identify a substance based on expected observations. **[Prompt 3: 5-PS1-3, KSA2]** | | | |
| **Targeted PE-related KSAs** | | | |
| **5-PS1-1 KSA1:** Develop a model to describe that matter is made up of particles.  **5-PS1-3 KSA2:** Use observations and measurements as evidence to explain the identification of a material. | | | |
| **Cross-performance Expectations Related KSAs to Target** | | | |
| **5-PS1-1 & 5-PS1-3: KSA1** Use observations of matter to describe the particle arrangement of solids, liquids, and gases.  **5-PS1-3 & 5-PS1-4, KSA 1** Describe a procedure as part of an investigation necessary to identify materials. | | | |
| **Student Demonstrations of Learning** | | | |
| * Model accurately represents the observable phenomena. * Develops a model to describe that even if matter cannot be seen, it still exists as small particles that can be detected. * Models and responses accurately describe the particle arrangements of solids, liquids, and gases. * Correctly uses qualitative data to identify materials based on their properties. * Completes an appropriate explanation, using evidence, that materials can be identified based on their observable and measurable properties. | | | |
| **Work Products** | | | |
| * Develop a model to describe phenomena. * Short constructed response. * Constructed response. | | | |

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| **Application of Universal Design for Learning-based Guidelines to Promote Accessibility (**[**https://udlguidelines.cast.org/**](https://udlguidelines.cast.org/) **)** | | |
| **Multiple Means of Engagement** | **Multiple Means of Representation** | **Multiple Means of Action & Expression** |
| * Context or content. * Age appropriate. * Appropriate for different groups. * Makes sense of complex ideas in creative ways. * Vary the degree of challenge or complexity within prompts. | * Provide visual diagrams and charts. * Make explicit links between information provided in texts and any accompanying representation of that information in illustrations, equations, charts, or diagrams. * Activate relevant prior knowledge. * Highlight or emphasize key elements in text, graphics, diagrams, and formulas. * Use outlines, graphic organizers, unit organizer routines, concept organizer routines, and concept mastery routines to emphasize key ideas and relationships. * Give explicit prompts for each step in a sequential process. | * Solve problems using a variety of strategies. * Sentence starters. * Embed prompts to “show and explain your work”. |
| **SIPS Assessments Complexity Framework Components** | | |
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| **Rubric Considerations** |
| * Accuracy of the model. * Sophistication of the explanations. * Completeness and accuracy of response. |
| **Assessment Boundaries** |
| * Students are not expected to know that matter is made of atoms and molecules. * Students are not expected to explain the properties of the particles. * Students are not expected to apply proportional reasoning skills (Note: should not be included, as students learn proportions in grade 6, CCSSM[[1]](#footnote-2)). * Density should not be included. * Mass and weight are not distinguished. * The task does not include the atomic-scale mechanism of evaporation and condensation or defining the unseen particles. |
| **Common Alternate Conceptions** |
| * **5-PS1-1**   + Evaporation or dissolution destroys particles and their associated mass.   + Constituent particles of a solid are completely still.   + Particles expand when heated. * **5-PS1-3**   + All shiny/reflective objects are made of metal.   + All metal objects are attracted to magnets.   + Charged objects never interact with neutral objects.   + Larger magnets are always stronger magnets. * **5-PS1-4**   + Physical changes are irreversible.   + When matter dissolves or evaporates, it ceases to exist.   + Color changes always indicate a chemical change.   + All temperature changes that result from mixing substances indicate a chemical change. |
| **Possible Technical Terms for Task** |
| * matter, powders, physical properties, chemical properties, particles, particle arrangement, solids, liquids, gasses |
| **Common Core State Standards for Literacy** |
| **Reading Informational**   * **RI.5.7** Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently. **(5-PS1-1)**   **Writing**   |  | | --- | | * **W.5.7** Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic. **(5-PS1-3), (5-PS1-4)** |  * **W.5.8** Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work and provide a list of sources. **(5-PS1-3), (5-PS1-4)** * **W.5.9** Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. **(5-PS1-3), (5-PS1-4)** |
| **Common Core State Standards for Mathematics** |
| **Mathematical Practice**   * **MP. 2** Reason abstractly and quantitatively. **(5-PS1-1), (5-PS1-3)** * **MP. 4** Model with mathematics. **(5-PS1-1), (5-PS1-3)** * **MP. 5** Use appropriate tools strategically. **(5-PS1-3)**   **Mathematics**   * **5.NBT.A.1** Explain patterns in the number of zeros of the product when multiplying a number by powers of 10 and explain patterns in the placement of the decimal point when a decimal is multiplied or divided by a power of 10. Use whole-number exponents to denote powers of 10. **(5-PS1-1)** * **5.NF.B.7** Apply and extend previous understandings of division to divide unit fractions by whole numbers and whole numbers by unit fractions. (**5-PS1-1)** * **5.MD.C.3** Recognize volume as an attribute of solid figures and understand concepts of volume measurement. **(5-PS1-1)** * **5.MD.C.4** Measure volumes by counting unit cubes, using cubic cm, cubic in, cubic ft, and improvised units. (**5-PS1-1)** |
| **Task Notes** |

SIPS Assessments Complexity Framework

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| **Component** | | **Complexity** | | | | |
| **Low** | **Moderate** | | | **High** |
| **Connections to Curriculum and Instruction** | **A.1 Degree and nature of sense-making** **about phenomena or problems** | * Requires one or two dimensions * One dimension may have a greater degree of emphasis than another * Requires previously learned ideas or concepts | * Requires integration of two dimensions in the service of sense-making * Requires integration of same or different combinations of dimensions as represented in the PE bundle * Requires a combination of previously learned ideas or concepts and newly presented information | | | * Requires integration of three dimensions in the service of sense-making * Requires integration of same or different combinations of dimensions as represented in the PE bundle * Requires a combination of previously learned ideas or concepts and newly presented information |
| **Characteristics of the Tasks** | **B.1 Complexity of the presentation** | * The amount and type of information provided in the scenario supports limited simple connections among ideas or concepts * Provides few, simple graphics/data/models * Includes definitions or examples * Phenomenon or problem presented in a concrete way with high level of certainty | * The amount and type of information provided in the scenario supports multiple evident connections among ideas or concepts * Provides graphics/data/models * Limited use of definitions or examples * Phenomenon or problem presented with some level of uncertainty | | | * The amount and type of information provided in the scenario supports multiple and varied complex connections among ideas or concepts * Provides complex graphics/data/models * Phenomenon or problem presented with high-degree of uncertainty |
| **B.2 Cognitive demand of response development** | * Requires well-defined set of actions or procedures * Requires a connection or retrieval of factual information * Response requires a low level of sophistication with routinely encountered well-practiced applications | | * Requires application of ideas and practices given cues and guidance * Requires drawing relationships and connecting ideas and practices * Response requires a moderate level of sophistication with typical but relatively complex representation of ideas and application of skills | * Requires selection and application of multiple complex ideas and practices * Requires high degree of sense-making, reasoning, and/or transfer * Response requires a high level of sophistication with non-routine or abstract representation of ideas and application of skills | |
| **B.3 Cognitive demand of response production** | * Responses include selection from a small set of options presented as text (e.g., word, short phrase) or other formats (e.g., a simple graphic or process) | | * Responses include one or more sentences or a paragraph, a moderately complex graphic, or multiple steps in a simple or moderately complex process | * Responses include multiple paragraphs, multiple graphics of at least moderate complexity, or multiple steps in a complex process | |

1. National Governors Association Center for Best Practices, Council of Chief State School Officers. (2010). Common Core State Standards for Mathematics. Washington DC: Author. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)