

States of Matter

Grade 5– Understanding Matter & Energy

Student Observation Sheet

1.	Hypot	hesis. The substance I have chosen to investigate is:
	a.	What do you think is the melting point of your substance? Why?
	b.	What do you think is the boiling point of your substance? Why?
	c.	What do you think is the freezing point of your substance? Why?

d. In the space below, design an experiment to test the melting and/or the boiling points of your substance.					freezing,	
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2.	Obser	vations.				
I	nitial	temperature of substance:				
I	nitial	volume of substance:				
I	nitial	state of substance (circle one):	solid	liquid	gas	
I	Length	n of time to get to the melting or	r freezing point:			
N	Meltin	ng or freezing point:	_			
I	Length	n of time to get to the boiling po	oint:			
H	Boilin	g point:				
Obser	vatio	ns (melting/freezing point)	Observa	tions (boiling p	oint)	

	the changes of state you are observing take place because of a release of heat of absorption of heat? Explain.
W	hat physical changes in matter did you observe?
a.	What caused those changes to take place?
b.	What would have to happen to reverse those changes?

5.	During your experiment did you notice any chemical changes? If yes, what chemical changes in matter did you observe?				
6.	What caused those changes to take place?				
7.	From your research and learning through this experiment, what conclusions did you make about changes in matter?				