

## Solids, Liquids, and Gases ▫ Guided Reading and Study

### States of Matter

*This section explains how shape, volume, and the motion of particles are useful in describing solids, liquids, and gases.*

#### Use Target Reading Skills

*A definition states the meaning of a word or phrase by telling about its most important feature or function. After you read the section, reread the paragraphs that contain definitions of Key Terms. Use all the information you have learned to write a definition of each Key Term in your own words.*

solid \_\_\_\_\_

crystalline solid \_\_\_\_\_

amorphous solid \_\_\_\_\_

liquid \_\_\_\_\_

fluid \_\_\_\_\_

surface tension \_\_\_\_\_

viscosity \_\_\_\_\_

gas \_\_\_\_\_

#### Solids

1. Which state of matter has a definite volume and a definite shape?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the following sentence true or false? A solid will keep its volume and its shape in any position and in any container.  
\_\_\_\_\_



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

## **Solids, Liquids, and Gases** • *Guided Reading and Study*

### **States of Matter** (continued)

3. Why do solids have a definite shape and a definite volume?

---

---

---

---

4. Complete the table about types of solids.

| Solids        |   |          |                     |
|---------------|---|----------|---------------------|
| Type of Solid | Description                                 | Examples | Melting Temperature |
| a.            | Made up of crystals                         | b.       | Specific            |
| c.            | Particles not arranged in a regular pattern | d.       | Not distinct        |

5. Circle the letter of each sentence that is true about particles in a solid.

- a. They are completely motionless.
- b. They stay in about the same position.
- c. They vibrate back and forth.
- d. They move around one another freely.

### **Liquids**

6. Which state of matter has no definite shape but does have a definite volume? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Is the following sentence true or false? A liquid's volume does not change no matter what shape its container has.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. A substance that flows is called a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

## **Solids, Liquids, and Gases** • *Guided Reading and Study*

9. What causes surface tension?

---

---

---

10. Circle the letter of the term that means the resistance of a liquid to flowing.

- a. amorphous
- b. solid
- c. viscosity
- d. surface tension

11. Is the following sentence true or false? Liquids with high viscosity flow quickly. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Gases**

12. Which state of matter has neither definite shape nor volume?

---

13. If you put a gas into a container with a top, what will the gas do?

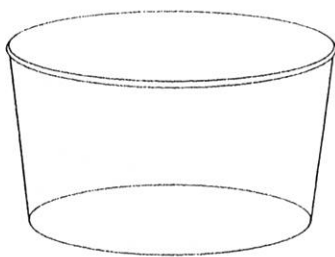
---

---

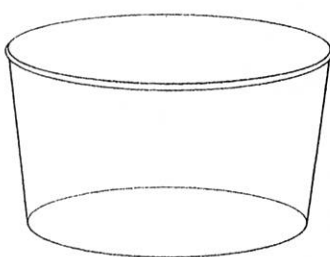
14. Is the following sentence true or false? Like a liquid, a gas is a fluid.

---

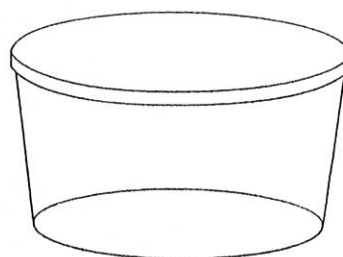
15. In the containers below, draw how the particles are arranged in the three states of matter.



*Solid*



*Liquid*



*Gas*

