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Special features of Sonlight's Science Instructor's Guides:

Complete, Ready-to-Use Lesson Plans

All your science books and experiments are fully scheduled for the entire year. No need to create your own plans.

Detailed Teaching Notes Notes explain each assignment and activity, point out fun facts about your reading, and provide extra information about important topics so you get the most from your materials.

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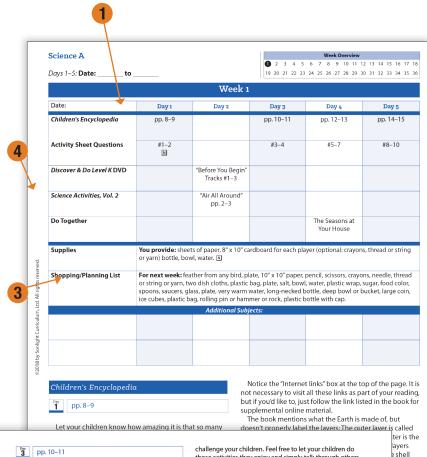
See at a glance the supplies you need for experiments this week and the following week. Know what supplies you'll find in the Sonlight Science Kits, and which household items you'll want to have ready.

Weekly Assignments and Engaging Activities

Simple, engaging experiments coordinate with your reading and provide hands-on learning. Sonlight's Science kits provide the key supplies . . . so you actually do the experiments.

Many experiments are intriguing, yet simple, activities—such as exploring taste buds using basic ingredients like lemon juice and sugar. Again, no planning necessary!

Your children will relish the discoveries they make throughout the year. And you'll love that they are actively exploring Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) concepts, and making their learning stick.



Do you own a globe? If not, you can also use a ball, such as a basketball or soccer ball, to demonstrate the concept of day and night. All you need is a globe or ball and a flashlight. The flashlight, naturally, represents the Sun. Shine the flashlight on one side of the globe or ball. The part of the world facing the light is experiencing day, while the other areas are experiencing night. But the world rotates, so as it turns, day turns to night on one part of the globe, while night turns to day in other areas. [p. 10]



The book refers to the northern and southern hemispheres but does not explain the concepts of western and eastern hemispheres. You might want to show your children a world map, noting the northern and south-ern hemispheres, as divided by the equator, while also pointing out the western hemisphere (North and South America and the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans) and the east ern hemisphere (Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia). [p. 13]



Occasionally, you'll notice short experiment suggestions such as "Make a rainbow" on page 15. Please consider these activities as optional



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Occasionally we assign a "Cut-Out" activity. Please find these separate sheets in Section 3.

"Before you Begin" Tracks #1-3

We produced this fun and educational video so you and your children could watch "Professor Ike" perform each of the assigned experiments from *The Usborne Book of Science Activities, Vol. 2.* We recommend you gather your supplies, watch the DVD to see what to do, and then try each of these simple experiments yourself.

Or, if you prefer, you can do the experiment(s) on your

own and then watch the DVD to see how it turned out on n. You may want to mix and match to find out which works best. We hope this video makes your science experiments more enjoyable and more educational.

If your experiments don't happen exactly as you see in the video, it's OK! Watch the Outtakes in the Bonus section of the DVD and see how things didn't always happen

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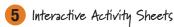
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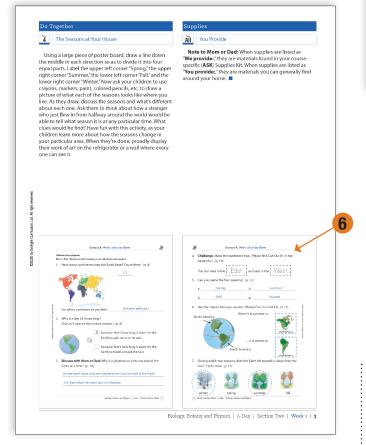


Your Activity Sheets—with hundreds of activities, illustrations, charts, and pictures—help your children remember what they've learned. A variety of activity options coordinate with your students' science studies and draw on a range of skills and interests.

Activities progress with your children's abilities: from cutouts, matching, circle-the-answer, and dictation, to fill-in puzzles and sequencing analysis.



Separate Answer Keys mirror your Student Activity sheets for easy grading. No need to test—you have ongoing, reliable insight into your children's comprehension.



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Introduction

Welcome!

In Science G, you will learn about physics, chemistry, biology, and the philosophy of science. But primarily physics.

Sonlight Science programs include introductory studies in a range of experimental sciences. The main point of all the reading, activities, and (if you choose) experiments is to introduce your children to the scientific method and the joy of discovery.

We want children to be *introduced* to a lot of different subjects, intrigued by the concepts and ideas, and enticed to come back to the same themes again in the future. And so you will find we follow a spiral pattern of education, touching on certain topics repeatedly this year and again in future years.

This way, the basic *vocabulary* of science becomes ingrained not only in short-term, but also long-term memory. "Oh, yeah. I vaguely remember hearing about pistils and stamens earlier this year," a child may say—late in the program. When the child studies biology again in future programs, the names and concepts will be vague, but recognizable, as the child gains deeper understanding. Please don't expect mastery of the vocabulary at this age. That will come in time.

We want our children to remember what they have learned because they can't help it; because they want to. We don't want them merely to memorize what they are supposed to learn so they can pass a test.

The science experiments in this package, although not larger than life, work well.

As you do the experiments and demonstrate care in reading and following directions, recording data, and such, your children learn to follow your lead. An attitude of success—"Sure. We can do this!"—rubs off as well. These cannot be taught simply by reading books; they have to be modeled.

One quick note before you begin: The experiments also don't coordinate with the other science reading. We have not found any single book that coordinates great information and exciting illustrations (as found in the majority of our science books) with great hands-on activities and experiments. We believe we have selected the best cluster of books for both interest and excitement, but know up front: the science reading will not match the experiments.

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Evolution and the Age of the Earth

Two science-related issues require some special attention. The first has to do with evolution, while the second relates to the age of the Earth.

Evolution

Some of the book selections in our science programs contain material supportive of evolution. Why do we include these books? First, we include them because the majority of the content in these resources is of high quality, offering visually and intellectually appealing material. Second, we don't take an isolationist approach to knowledge. The subject of evolution is not something we want to teach children to avoid or put down without adequate understanding. Third, as the dominant perspective in contemporary science, evolution deserves mention and attention, even from those who disagree with its arguments. With that said, we do our best to provide balanced perspectives in relation to any potentially divisive content such as evolution.

When it comes to evolution, there are a few important points to keep in mind. In particular, differences between macroevolution and microevolution are crucial. These terms are sometimes used to clarify what is meant by evolution. *Macroevolutionists* accept evolution as the over arching explanation for all life, believing that evolution is responsible for significant changes in life forms such as a land-based mammal changing into an oceangoing mammal or dinosaurs allegedly evolving into birds. These supposed evolutionary changes are big, hence the term macro, meaning something very large in scale, is used in reference to this kind of evolution.

Microevolution, however, refers to small changes within different kinds of life. This approach grants the reality of changes within kinds such as birds or dogs. Obviously, there are many kinds and sizes of birds and dogs, but despite the variations, these creatures remain birds and dogs. As a result, someone can adhere to *microevolution* without granting all the beliefs of macroevolutionists, who tend to accept the basic underlying principles of Darwinian evolution.

Religious objections to evolution tend to stem from the accusation that *macroevolution* leaves God out of the picture, instead leaving the entire process of the emergence and development of life to chance and time. Of course, this means that evolution is undirected by any sort of intelligence, while Christianity, for instance, believes in the reality of the existence of God as Creator. In other words, one approach to evolution is based on a worldview known as *naturalism*, while another is based on *theism*.

Naturalism here does not refer to enjoying nature, as in being a naturalist, but to a worldview that denies the existence of anything beyond the material world. In other words, anything supernatural, such as the existence of God, is rejected by naturalists.

Theistic evolutionists accept the existence of God, but view Him as being active in the process of evolution. Christian theistic evolutionists may appeal to Scripture supporting God's active involvement in His creation (such as 1 Corinthians 8:6, Hebrews 1:3, etc.). In areas where a naturalist sees random processes and events, the theistic evolutionist argues that God is actively involved in directing matters.

Theism accepts that there is more to reality than the material world. There is a supernatural world and God exists as a personal being, active in His creation. By definition, naturalism excludes God. Christian theists who reject macroevolution and theistic evolution argue that God is Creator and Designer, having made all life without resorting to any macroevolutionary processes.

Scientific objections to macroevolution include, for instance, allegations that the fossil record lacks transitional forms, that genetic mutations are commonly harmful not helpful, and claims that life shows signs of intelligent design.

One goal we have at Sonlight is to present fair and balanced perspectives on issues, including science and evolution. As a result, some of the materials we choose to utilize will at times present evolutionary points of view, while other selections will not. As the parent, we encourage you to provide guidance for your children on these topics. In our assessment, it's better for your children to have some exposure to controversial topics at home, with intelligent and caring guidance, rather than have them be surprised by ideas they will eventually encounter anyway.

The Age of the Earth

Another issue that will come up in the course of studying science has to do with questions about the age of the Earth. Secular books in some of our science programs will at times refer to "millions" or "billions" of years. For Christians who hold to a young Earth perspective, believing the Earth may only be several thousand years old rather than billions, such phrasings pose a problem.

We suggest two solutions. First, whenever you encounter "millions" or "billions" in a science book, feel free to rephrase the sentences in question with phrases such as "a long time," "a very long time," or variations of this phrasing. Second, you may wish to state that although the book uses millions and billions of years, there are other perspectives on the age of the Earth and the age of the universe.

If your children ask why there is disagreement on the age of the Earth and/or universe, you can explain that not everyone interprets the data in the same way. In addition, not everyone employs the same research methods or believes in the same data. Young Earth creationists, for example, include their interpretation of the Bible as a primary source of data. Those who hold to an Old Earth tend either to ignore the Bible (if they are non-Christian) or interpret the biblical creation account in such a way that allows for an Old Earth without diminishing essential Christian doctrine. The Bible, from this Old Earth perspective, may be a supplementary witness regarding the question of the age of the Earth, but traditional interpretations of it in reference to the age of the Earth need to remain open to reinterpretation.

You may also wish to add, "We aren't sure about how old the Earth is, but I happen to believe ... "Then state your position on the matter.

Our goal here is not to present a definitive position on the age of the Earth or to present nuanced arguments for each side in the debate, but to leave it to you, as parent, to discuss with your children as you see fit.

Discussion and disagreement about the age of the Earth leads to another important point: Is a particular view of the age of the Earth an essential Christian doctrine? Sometimes nonessential beliefs can lead to problems with essential beliefs, so this point needs to be approached carefully and thoughtfully. In general, however, we do well to follow the maxim, "In essentials unity, in nonessentials liberty, and in all things charity." In other words, we should foster Christian unity on essentials, rather than division about nonessentials.

Student Activity Sheets

After the notes for each week, you will find Activity Sheets to reinforce what you are teaching and also engage your student. The questions coordinate with what you are reading and each activity is assigned on the schedule page.

It is not necessary to complete every activity provided. These are merely suggestions and you, as the teacher, can determine which are best suited for your children. You will find a variety of activities included in the Activity Sheets that are designed to draw on different skills and interests.

We have also included corresponding Instructions and Answer Key pages for all activities. You may want to file the Activity Sheets in a separate binder for your student's use.

Note: If you might reuse your Instructor's Guide and Student Activity Sheets in the future (for a younger child, for instance), we strongly suggest that you purchase an extra set of Activity Sheets when you buy the Instructor's Guide. That way, when we update our Instructor's Guides you will have matching Activity Sheets when you need them. Please contact us if you are looking for Activity Sheets from the past.

Practical Suggestion for Experiments

Please be aware that some of your books may imply that an experiment will knock your socks off: the results will be "bigger than life." The reality, we've found, is rarely so exciting. Often what you should be looking for is a very small change. The experiments suggested in your books are basic ideas. Try them, improve them! If you figure something out that works better than the instructions in your book, please tell us! Some experiments work every time, some may take several tries. Even the most famous scientists have had to try the same (or similar) experiments over and over. If an experiment does not work the first time, please try again.

Supplementary Searches

We know that there are times throughout our curriculum when your children will want to learn more about a given subject. Use their enthusiasm and the resources you have available to learn more. Occasionally, we will provide internet search instructions for you to find more information. Please use caution and your own discretion as you look at different internet sites. We highly recommend that you look at the sites before allowing your children to browse on their own. We hope you find this helpful!

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Summary

We hope that you enjoy your adventure this year and that it helps you learn more about the world we live in. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to e-mail us at main@sonlight.com, call us at (303) 730-6292, or better yet, join our Sonlight Connections Community (sonlight. com/connections), where you can chat with others who are going through this same program. You can ask guestions, learn new ideas, share with others what you have learned, problem-solve, or just talk. Happy exploring!

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Science G—Science Supplies

GSK (Science Supplies Kit) Item	Week(s) Used
dropper bottles	1, 25, 26
wax papers	1, 14, 29, 32, 33
10-ml graduated cylinder	1, 22
masking tape (sticky tape, adhesive tape, etc.)	1, 13, 21, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30
plastic cups/lids	3, 11, 12, 13
straight pins	6, 7, 14, 23, 31
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Do Together

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Take our ideas for what they are—mere suggestions and don't feel burdened by them. If your children don't want to do a particular activity or have a different, better idea, by all means ditch ours and go with theirs!



Hot or Cold?

Ask your children if they can tell the difference between something that is hot and something that is cold. What did they say? Of course! In reality, though, our bodies can sometimes fool us. Our senses are not always as accurate as we might think.

To convince your children of this fact, do a simple experiment with them. You'll need three large bowls, cold water, warm water, and hot water (just make sure it's not too hot). Ask your children to put one hand in the bowl of cold water and one hand in the bowl of hot water. Can they tell the difference? Sure!

But what about the bowl of warm water? Ask them to remove their hands from the bowls of cold and hot water and place them both in the bowl of warm water. Although both hands are now in the same temperature water (warm), do their hands tell them the same thing? No way! The hand that was in cold water will tell them the water is hot, while the hand that was in hot water will tell them the

Explain that this is one example of how our senses can fool us. To get accurate temperatures, we must rely on special tools, such as thermometers. If they enjoyed this little experiment, let them try it on a friend or relative. Let them explain the phenomenon to their subject as they conduct the experiment.

Supplies

When supplies are listed as "We provide:" they are materials found in your Science G Supplies Kit (GSK). When supplies are listed as "You provide:" they are materials you can generally find around your home.

Shipping Restrictions

Due to strict import regulations, it is illegal to ship biological matter to certain countries (including New Zealand and Australia). If you requested your science supplies to be shipped to a country with such restrictions, we have removed that kit from your order and reduced your charge accordingly.

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Remember: This program is designed for you to use to meet your children's needs. It is not meant to use you!

Suggestion: Your Activity Sheets might work more easily in a small binder for your children to keep and use as assigned. If you have more than one child using this program, extra Activity Sheets can be purchased for each child (Item #GSG1).

Do Together

Each week throughout Science G, we will provide ideas for fun activities to do with your children. In general, we will try to make the activities actually "active": performing additional research on a particular topic, watching a video, playing a game, getting outside, or some other type of "hands-on" activity that seeks to apply what your children have been learning in a meaningful way.

Take our ideas for what they are—mere suggestions and don't feel burdened by them. If your children don't want to do a particular activity or have a different, better idea, by all means ditch ours and go with theirs!



Hot or Cold?

Ask your children if they can tell the difference between something that is hot and something that is cold. What did they say? Of course! In reality, though, our bodies can sometimes fool us. Our senses are not always as accurate as we might think.

To convince your children of this fact, do a simple experiment with them. You'll need three large bowls, cold water, warm water, and hot water (just make sure it's not too hot). Ask your children to put one hand in the bowl of cold water and one hand in the bowl of hot water. Can they tell the difference? Sure!

But what about the bowl of warm water? Ask them to remove their hands from the bowls of cold and hot water and place them both in the bowl of warm water. Although both hands are now in the same temperature water (warm), do their hands tell them the same thing? No way! The hand that was in cold water will tell them the water is hot, while the hand that was in hot water will tell them the

Explain that this is one example of how our senses can fool us. To get accurate temperatures, we must rely on special tools, such as thermometers. If they enjoyed this little experiment, let them try it on a friend or relative. Let them explain the phenomenon to their subject as they conduct the experiment.

Supplies

When supplies are listed as "We provide:" they are materials found in your Science G Supplies Kit (GSK). When supplies are listed as "You provide:" they are materials you can generally find around your home.

Shipping Restrictions

Due to strict import regulations, it is illegal to ship biological matter to certain countries (including New Zealand and Australia). If you requested your science supplies to be shipped to a country with such restrictions, we have removed that kit from your order and reduced your charge accordingly.

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What's Science All About?

1.	Summarize what chemists study. (p. 98)	
2.	What was the biggest problem with early matches? (p. 100)	
3.	How is Teflon® unique as a substance? (p. 101)	
4.	The smallest particle that can have the properties of an element is called what? (p. 104) Atoms that stick together in groups of two or more are called	
5.	Oxygen gas is an element because (pp. 104–105)	

7. **Challenge!** Draw an "X" in the appropriate column to classify each substance as a mixture, element, or a compound. Feel free to use the Periodic Table of Elements on pp. 124–125 if you get stuck. (pp. 106–107)

Do reactions always happen when you mix substances together? Explain. (p. 105)

	Mixture	Compound	Element
hydrogen			
water			
table salt (sodium chloride)			
granola			
nitrogen			
hydrogen peroxide			

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9. What is the difference between the three states of matter? (p. 108)

10. How does temperature affect the three states of matter? (p. 108)

11. Solve the puzzle using the terms in the box. (pp. 108–109)

condense	boil	solidify
evaporate	melt	sublimate

Across

- 3) to change state from a liquid to a solid
- 5) to change state from a liquid to a gas
- 6) to change state from a gas to a liquid

Down

- 1) to change state directly from a gas to a solid, or from a solid to a gas
- 2) the agitated state of a liquid when it is at the temperature where it changes from a liquid to a gas
- 4) to change state from a solid to a liquid

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Days 6–10: **Date:** _____ **to** ____

Week 2					
Date:	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
What's Science All About?	pp. 110-111	pp. 112-113	pp. 114-115		pp. 116-117
Activity Sheet Questions	#1	# 2–6	#7-8		#9
TOPS #13: Cohesion/ Adhesion				#2 Heap O' Water	
Do Together	Changing States				
Supplies		y, towel, calculator (c ad: We will only list i		ou will use previous i	ems from each
Shopping/Planning List	For next week: scis	sors, watch/clock wi	th second hand.		
		Additional Sub	iects:		

Do Together



Changing States

Reinforce what your children learned about the various states of matter this week by testing them out with water. First, ask them to grab a glass of water. Let them examine it. Ask them to tell you about it. What state is it in?

Now ask them how to turn it into a solid. How would they do that? Will they need to cool it or heat it? Help them turn their glass of water into a solid by pouring it in an ice cube tray to freeze.

While you're waiting for the water to freeze, discuss how to turn it into a gas. Again, how would your children turn this liquid water into a gas? Help them pour some water into a pan to heat on the stove. How long does it take before the water reaches the appropriate temperature to turn into a gas?

Ask your children to describe the water in its gaseous form. How is it similar to the liquid form? How is it different? As soon as the water you put in the freezer has frozen, ask your children to examine it in the same way. Ask the same questions. What is their favorite form of water? Liquid to drink or swim in? Frozen to make their drinks cooler on a hot day? Why?

:	Describe a method you might use to separate a mixture of (pp. 114–115) gravel and water. <u>(let the water stand and allow the gravel</u> to sink to the bottom—or use a strainer to strain
٠ :	off the water) iron filings and baby powder:(use a magnet to pull out the iron filings)
: 4	salt and water:(distill it: boil the mixture—the water will evaporate away
\$ "	Why is it possible to separate substances in a mixture? (p. 114–115) (because the properties of substances in a mixture stay the same after they have been mixed, so you can use their properties to help you separate them)
Sri Si Si	Briefly describe each separation technique. (pp. 115–117) Distillation: <i>[purifying substances using boiling points; since different substances boil at different temperatures, chemists can boil a solution and capture and cool the gas as it condenses again to separate substances)</i>
B B	(Paper) Chromatography: [a solvent is absorbed along the length of a piece of paper. Some solutes spread farther apart than others depending on how strongly they stick to the paper)
e #	Centrifugation: (Chemists will place solutions of substances with different densities in tubes and then into a centrifuge. The centrifuge spins around really fast which forces the densest solutes toward the bottom of the tube.)

Week 2 Activity Sheet | 5-Day | Geology, Physics, and Origins

Geology, Physics, and Origins | 5-Day | Week 2 Activity Sheet (3)

has been loaded to capacity. Based on your reading, can you think of a way to get more sugar to dissolve? (p. 113)

(heat the water—the hotter water gets, the easier it becomes to dissolve things in it)

the sugar stops dissolving—no matter how long you stir. At this point, we say the solution is saturated—the water

6. Challenge! When you dissolve sugar in water at room temperature, there will come a time when

5. Why won't tap water boil at 100°C? (p. 113) (Because it is impure—it contains small amounts of

chlorine which is added to kill bacteria.)

stance can do. Physical properties can be found using simple tests, but the only way to test a chemical property is to (Physical properties primarily describe what a substance is like on its own; chemical properties describe what a sub-

make a chemical reaction happen.)

How do chemical properties differ from physical properties? (p. 112)

(the new substance looks and feels different from the mixture and can no longer be separated into the

How is baking a cake an example of a chemical reaction? (p. 112)

1. Why does pressure affect a substance's current state? (p. 110) (pressure can determine how free a substance's mol-

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ecules are to move around, so changes in pressure can sometimes cause a change of state, even if there hasn't been a

change in temperature)

(Possible: it is a liquid at room temperature; its freezing point is 0°C, and it boils at 100°C. It is

clear, pours easily, has no noticeable odor...)

Describe some of the physical properties of pure water. (p. 112)

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1.	Why does pressure affect a substance's current state? (p. 110)	
2.	Describe some of the physical properties of pure water. (p. 112)	
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- 5. Why won't tap water boil at 100°C? (p. 113)
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7.	Describe a method you might use to separate a mixture of (pp. 114–115)
	gravel and water:
	iron filings and baby powder:
	salt and water:
8.	Why is it possible to separate substances in a mixture? (p. 114–115)
9.	Briefly describe each separation technique. (pp. 115–117)
	Distillation:
	(Paper) Chromatography:
	Centrifugation:

Days 11-15: **Date:**______ **to**___

		Week 3			
Date:	Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15
What's Science All About?	pp. 118-119	pp. 120-123	pp. 124-125		pp. 126-127
Activity Sheet Questions	#1-2	#3–5	#6–9		#10–12
TOPS #13: Cohesion/ Adhesion				#3 Adhesion	
Do Together	Electrolysis	Periodic Table of Elements			
Supplies	We provide: GSK— You provide: scisso	ors, watch/clock with			
		Additional Subj	ects:		

What's Science All About?



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pp. 118-119

"What is the world made of?" is an interesting question, but science is limited on related questions. For instance, where did everything come from to begin with? Is matter eternal? Did it come into being at some specific point? If so, where did it come from? If the Big Bang theory is true, then everything that physically makes up our universe sprang out of an initial singularity. But where did the material come from and what caused the Big Bang? Within Christian theism, God is not merely a craftsman who shapes pre-existing matter, but a creator who originated the material in the first place. [p. 119]

Do Together



Electrolysis

Take what your children learned about electrolysis today one step further. Since you probably do not want to try electrolysis by yourself at home, use your favorite search engine and search the phrase, "Electrolysis of water." We recommend finding a video with a good demonstration.

Did they realize that electrolysis of water could be used to break down water into hydrogen and oxygen atoms, thereby providing the basic building blocks of a possible alternative fuel? How might these elements (and their potential energy) be converted or otherwise used as a power source? Do they think they might someday drive a hydrogen-powered vehicle? Why or why not? What might the benefits be? Are there any particular drawbacks?

Use this time to discuss the importance of developing alternative sources of energy. What, if any, alternative energy sources can be found near your home? Are any of them being utilized today? If so, which ones?

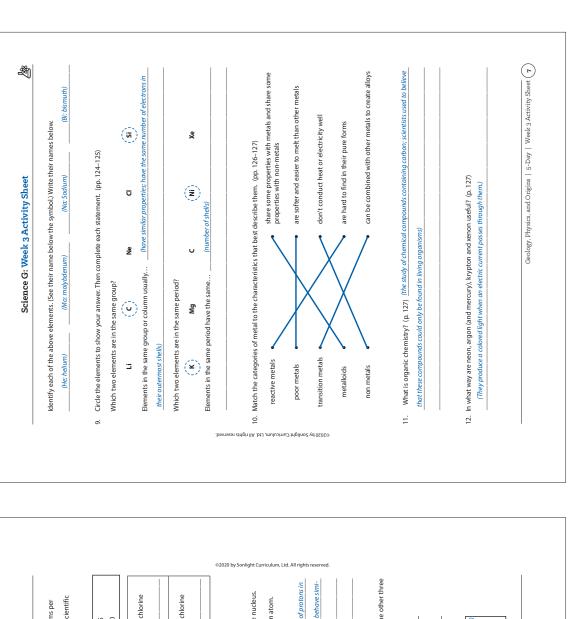
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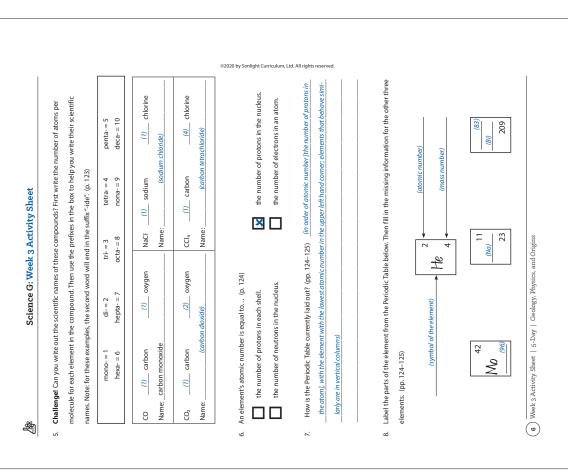
Let your children pick out a few elements to study in greater depth. Use the Internet to find more information about their selected elements. Which elements can you find samples of around the house? Hint: You should be able to find some oxygen, hydrogen (combined with oxygen to form water!), gold, silver, copper, etc. What elements are the rarest? Which ones are most valuable? Most dangerous?

As your children continue their journey through the world of chemistry, they will hear a lot about different elements, which are the basic building blocks of all substances on Earth. Use the Internet to find a copy of the periodic table of elements that you can print for your children to study or spend some time poring over the one in your book.

Which of the elements are they familiar with? How many have they never heard of? What do they notice about the structure and organization of the table? Which elements are similar? Which elements are gases? Metals? Which ones are radioactive?

What's Science All About? 1. How does a chemical reaction differ from a mixture? (pp. 105, 114-118)	Chemical Reaction Mixture	(bonds between atoms are broken and	rearranged to form new compounds; chemical	compounds have different properties from when they were separate).	those of the elements they contain)	Briefly describe the electrolysis process. (p. 118) <u>(a compound is melted or dissolved in a solvent to make an electrolyse. Then, chemisis pass an electric current through it, causing the compound to break apart).</u>	Why do substances have different properties? (p. 121)	Describe what a scientist can determine from each part of this substance's symbol. (p. 123) (The letters describe the elements that form each molecule in a substance. This substance is made	drom two elements—hydrogen and oxygen.)	(The subscript numbers help describe the ratio of atoms in each molecule of this substance, in this substance, in this substance, there are two hydrogen atoms for every oxygen atom.)	
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What's Science All About?

1. How does a chemical reaction differ from a mixture? (pp. 105, 114–118)

Chemical Reaction	Mixture

- 2. Briefly describe the electrolysis process. (p. 118)
- Why do substances have different properties? (p. 121)
- 4. Describe what a scientist can determine from each part of this substance's symbol. (p. 123)

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Science G: Week 3 Activity Sheet

5. Challenge! Can you write out the scientific names of these compounds? First write the number of atoms per molecule for each element in the compound. Then use the prefixes in the box to help you write their scientific names. Note: for these examples, the second word will end in the suffix "-ide". (p. 123)

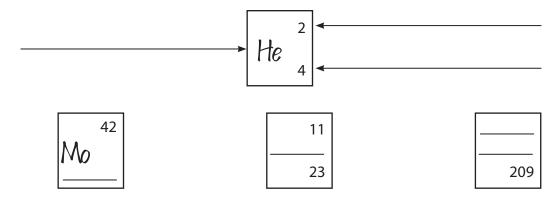
mono- = 1 di- = 2 tri- = 3 tetra- = 4 penta- = 5 hexa- = 6 hepta- = 7 octa- = 8 nona- = 9 deca- = 10

CO carbon oxygen	NaCl sodium chlorine
Name: _carbon monoxide	Name:
CO ₂ carbon oxygen	CCl ₄ carbon chlorine

6. An element's atomic number is equal to... (p. 124)

	the number of protons in each shell.
П	the number of neutrons in the nucleus.

- the number of protons in the nucleus.
 - the number of electrons in an atom.
- 7. How is the Periodic Table currently laid out? (pp. 124–125)
- 8. Label the parts of the element from the Periodic Table below. Then fill in the missing information for the other three elements. (pp. 124–125)



Science G: Week 3 Activity Sheet

	Identify each of the	above elements. (See their n	ame below	the symbol.) Write thei	r names below.						
).	Circle the elements	to show your answer. Then co	omplete ea	ch statement. (pp. 124-	-125)						
	Which two element	Which two elements are in the same group?									
	Li	C	Ne	CI	Si						
	Elements in the san	ne group or column usually	·								
	Which two element	ts are in the same period?									
	K	Mg	c	Ni	Xe						
	Elements in the san	ne period have the same									
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	metalloids	•	•	are hard to find in th	neir pure forms						
	non metals	•	•	can be combined w	ith other metals to create alloy						
1.	What is organic c	hemistry? (p. 127)									
2.	In what way are ne	on, argon (and mercury), kryp	oton and xe	non useful? (p. 127)							



Science G: Week 36 Activity Sheet

15.	Briefly outline the four main arguments against the evolutionary explanation for the origin of life. (p. 208)
16.	What fundamental requirement of evolution have supporters of the theory not been able to prove to date? (p. 210)
ΓΟΙ	PS #10: Analysis
· 7.	What are buffers? ("Buffers Resist Change")
8.	What is equilibrium? ("Buffers Resist Change")
vo	lution: The Grand Experiment
9.	Take a few moments to respond to three questions of your choice from those presented on page 222. Restate the question before providing your answer. You will probably need to continue on a separate sheet of paper as we'd like
	you to give these questions some concentrated thought. (p. 222)

Science G: Week 36 Activity Sheet

20. When you've finished, reread the answer you wrote in the first week in response to the question about your thoughts on the origin of life. Have your opinions changed? If so, how? (p. 222)

Science G—Weekly Subject List

Week	Subject
1	introduction to chemistry/atoms/ states (solid, liquid, gas)/temperature/changing states/cohesion
2	molecules/air pressure/physical properties/chemical properties/substances/filtration/distillation/chromatography/centrifugation/cohesion
3	electrolysis/ atoms/nucleus/protons/neutrons/electrons/substances/compounds/periodic table/elements/metals/metalloids/non-metals/pure elements/compound elements/nucleus shells/adhesion
4	bonding (ionic, covalent)/ionic compounds/covalent compounds/crystals/nuclear reactions/radiation/ history of atoms/cohesion/adhesion
5	reactions/by-products/endothermic/exothermic/activation energy/reactivity/catalysts/ inhibitors/equations/ law of conservation of mass/electrostatic attraction
6	displacement reaction/decomposition/reversible reactions/oxidation/reduction/combustion/acid/base/corrosion/alkali/salts/ pH scale/indicators/soap/hydrogen bonds
7	plastics/carbon chemistry/DNA/metals/surface tension
8	reactivity series/gases/non-metals/mass spectrometer/substance identification
9	origins of elements/geology/rock cycle/atmosphere/greenhouse effect/living chemistry (medicines)/body chemistry/chemistry history timeline/physics/physicists/energy/space/applied physics (inventions)/origins of the universe/Big Bang/atoms/molecules/elements capillary action
10	electrons/neutrons/protons/quarks/gluons/speed and motion/mass/momentum/force/capillary action/adhesion
11	Newton's Laws/inertia/work/machines/gravity/air resistance/terminal velocity/cohesion/adhesion/ surface tension/capillary action
12	center of gravity/centripetal force/centrifugal force/pressure/density/volume/displacement/energy/energy transfer/chromatography
13	power/solids/liquids/gases/evaporation/condensation/temperature/expansion/contraction/thermometers/conduction/convection/radiation/insulation/chromatography
14	waves/wavelength/oscillation/electromagnetic spectrum/light physics/rainbows/solar spectrum/reflection/oil slick
15	light scattering/refraction/lenses/sound energy/frequency/sound waves/echoes/sonar/sound and light/ electricity/oil films
16	circuits/currents/batteries/circuit diagram/magnetism/magnetic fields/electromagnetism/electromagnets/ wave trains
17	space/astrophysics/stars/sun/moon/eclipse/introduction to biology/living things (commonalities)/classification/light & color/light interference
18	vertebrates/invertebrates/plants/cells/organs/mitosis/viruses/bacteria/protists/microbes/medicines/cohesive forces & surface area
19	human body/skeletal system/muscles/brain/nervous system/senses/digestive system/respiratory system/circulatory system/reproductive system/genes/cohesive forces
20	animal biology/botany/photosynthesis/ecology/habitat/environment/ soap films and geometry
21	population/ecosystems/keystone species/food chain/carnivores/herbivores/omnivores/pollution/ climate change/biology timeline/orbit of the moon/solar system/latitude and longitude/equator/seasons/ layers of the Earth/variables in experimentation
22	rocks/minerals/fossils/Earth's resources/Earth's energy/volcanoes/natural hot water/earthquakes/flow charts
23	earthquakes/earthquake safety/tsunamis/atmosphere/ air and ocean currents/natural cycles/ flow charts (continued)
24	climate change/world climates/rainforests/tracking mammals/ecosystems/woodlands/tropical grasslands/monsoons/deserts/Mediterranean climates/temperate climates/polar regions/flow charts (continued)

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Week	Subject
25	mountains/changing climates/weather/ water and clouds/thunderstorms/windstorms/floods/reaction table
26	droughts/cold/heat/strange weather/forecasting/plant life/animal life/ecosystems/population/city ecosystem/reaction table (continued)
27	farming/farming methods/soil/weathering/erosion/rivers/river erosion/testing and analyzing through composition
28	ground water/ glaciers/coasts/seas and oceans/reference information/science reference material/scientific method/experiments/hypothesis/testing and analyzing through composition (continued)
29	origin of life/spontaneous generation/theory of evolution/acquired characteristics/ litmus paper; acids, bases, neutrals
30	natural selection/mutations/genes/adaptation/whale origins/odds/similarities (homology)/water dilutions and acid-based neutralizations
31	similarities (homology)/ fossil record/Darwin/titration
32	fossil record (invertebrate/fish/bats)/cabbage water & acid-base indicators
33	fossil record (pinnipeds/flying reptiles/dinosaurs/whales)/color spectrum through acid-base indicators
34	fossil record (birds/archaeopteryx feathered dinosaurs)/pH levels with acids and bases
35	fossil record (birds/feathered dinosaurs)/beet juice with acids and bases
36	fossil record (birds/feathered dinosaurs/flowering plants)/DNA formation/protein formation/amino acid formation/evolution controversy/buffered solutions

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