

SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER – YEAR FOUR STATES OF MATTER



FLASH BACKS TO REMEMBER

- Can you identify some objects and what they are made of? (Y1 - Everyday materials)
- Can you identify and name a variety of everyday materials? (Y1 - Everyday materials)
- Can you describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials? (Y1 - Everyday materials)
- How can you change the shape of some materials? (Y2 -Uses of everyday materials)



KEY QUESTIONS TO LEARN

- Can you describe the properties of solids, liquids or gas? ۰
- Can you explain the use of some gases?
- Can you understand how heat can cause solids to change to liquids and vice versa?
- Can you identify the different states water can be in? ٠
- Can you explain the effect of temperature on the process of evaporation.?
- Can you describe the different stages of the water cycle?

Key Knowledge







when water turns into water vapour. This happens very quickly when the water is hot, like in a kettle, but it can also happen slowly, like a puddle evaporating in the warm air.



this when droplets of water form on a window. The water vapour in the air cools when it touches the cold surface.

KEY VOCABULARY

states of matter Materials can be one of three states: solids, liquids or gases. Some materials can change from one state to another and back again.

solids These are materials that keep their shape unless a force is applied to them. They can be hard, soft or even squashy. Solids take up the same amount of space no matter what has happened to them.

liquids Liquids take the shape of their container. They can change shape but do not change the amount of space they take up. They can flow or be poured.

gases Gases can spread out to completely fill the container or room they are in. They do not have any fixed shape but they do have a mass.

water vapour This is water that takes the form of a gas. When water is boiled, it evaporates into a water vapour.

melt This is when a solid changes to a liquid.

freeze Liquid turns to a solid during the freezing process.

evaporate Turn a liquid into a gas. condense Turn a gas into a liquid.

precipitation Liquid or solid particles that fall from a cloud as rain, sleet, hail or snow.



- 1. Water from lakes, puddles, rivers and seas is evaporated by the sun's heat, turning it into water vapour.
- 2. This water vapour rises, then cools down to form water droplets in clouds (condensation).
- 3. When the droplets get too heavy, they fall back to the earth as rain, sleet, hail or snow (precipitation).