

Study Guide

Interactive Textbook

- Interactive Student Edition
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Apply the BIG Idea

Connect to Key Concepts

Reinforce the chapter's Big Idea by connecting it to important Key Concepts. For example, ask: **What skills and knowledge do physical scientists use to study matter, energy, and the changes they undergo?** (Sample answer: *Physical scientists use the skills of observing, inferring, and predicting and their knowledge of chemistry or physics and mathematics.*)

Teaching Resources

Teaching Resources, Unit 1

- Chapter 1 Key Terms Review
- Chapter 1 Vocabulary Skill

Color Transparencies

- Transparency 8.16

Chapter Tests Levels A and B

- Chapter 1 Tests
- Chapter 1 Performance Assessment

Standards Review Workbook

Standards Review Transparencies

Progress Monitoring Assessment

- Screening, diagnostic, and benchmark tests

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Key

AA Active Art
RNG-A Reading and Note Taking Guide, Level A
RNG-B Reading and Note Taking Guide, Level B
TR Teaching Resources

Chapter 1

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The BIG Idea

Scientists investigate the natural world by posing questions, developing hypotheses, designing experiments, analyzing data, drawing conclusions, and communicating results.

1 What Is Physical Science?

Key Concepts

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- Scientists use the skills of observing, inferring, and predicting to learn about the natural world.
- Physical science is the study of matter and energy, and the changes that they undergo.

Key Terms

science	inferring	chemistry
observing	predicting	physics

2 Scientific Inquiry

Key Concepts

S 8.9.a, 8.9.c

- Processes used in inquiry include posing questions, developing hypotheses, designing experiments, collecting and interpreting data, drawing conclusions, and communicating.
- Scientists use models and develop laws and theories to increase people's understanding of the natural world.

Key Terms

scientific inquiry	data
hypothesis	communicating
parameter	model
manipulated variable	scientific theory
responding variable	scientific law
controlled experiment	

3 Measurement

Key Concepts

S 8.8.a, 8.8.b

- Using SI allows scientists to compare data and communicate with each other about results.
- SI units include: m, kg, m³, kg/m³, s, and K.
- Volume = Area × Height
- Density = $\frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}}$

Key Terms

SI	volume	Celsius scale
weight	meniscus	Kelvin scale
mass	density	absolute zero

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4 Mathematics and Science

Key Concepts

S 8.9.b

- When collecting data and making measurements, scientists use math skills involving estimation, accuracy and reproducibility, significant figures, and precision.

Key Terms

estimate	significant figures
accuracy	precision
reproducibility	

5 Graphs in Science

Key Concepts

S 8.9.d, 8.9.g

- Line graphs are used to display data to see how one variable (the responding variable) changes in response to another variable (the manipulated variable).
- A line of best fit emphasizes the overall trend shown by all the data taken as a whole.
- Slope = $\frac{\text{Rise}}{\text{Run}} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$
- Line graphs are powerful tools in science because they allow you to identify trends and make predictions.

Key Terms

graph	data point
horizontal axis	line of best fit
vertical axis	linear graph
origin	slope
coordinate	nonlinear graph

6 Science Laboratory Safety

Key Concepts

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- Good preparation helps you stay safe when doing science activities in the laboratory or the field.
- When any accident occurs, no matter how minor, notify your teacher immediately. Then, listen to your teacher's directions and carry them out quickly.

Diagnose and Remediate

Also available on Success Tracker

Standard	Review and Assessment Items	Standards-Targeted Resources	Additional Resources
S 8.8.a	3, 8, 19, 22	RNG-A 19–24; RNG-B 18–24	TR: Vocabulary Skill
S 8.8.b	3, 8, 18, 19, 22, 23	RNG-A 19–24; RNG-B 18–24	TR: Key Terms
S 8.9	5, 11, 21	RNG-A 11–13, 34–37; RNG-B 11–13, 34–36	Student Edition in MP3 (English/Spanish)
S 8.9.a	1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 17, 20	AA cgp-6012; RNG-A 11–13, 14–18; 34–37; RNG-B 11–13, 14–17, 34–36; Video Field Trip	Student Express with Interactive Textbook CD-ROM