

Honors Physical Science
Matter and Methods of Measurement Test Review

1. What are the standard SI (metric) units for measuring the following:
 - a. mass *kilograms*
 - b. volume *liters*
 - c. length *meters*
 - d. time *seconds*
 - e. temperature *Celsius degrees*
2. What are the metric prefixes? What power of 10 does each prefix represent?
tera 10^{12}
giga 10^9
mega 10^6
kilo 10^3
hecto 10^2
deka 10^1
base 10^0
deci 10^{-1}
centi 10^{-2}
milli 10^{-3}
micro 10^{-6}
nano 10^{-9}
pico 10^{-12}
femto 10^{-15}
atto 10^{-18}
3. Convert the following metric units:
 - a. 400 Kg = 400,000 g
 - b. 0.005 Hm = 50 cm
 - c. 50.5 cm = 5.05 dm
 - d. 400 ml = 0.4 L
 - e. 0.0042 Dg = 42 mg
 - f. 4.5×10^{-5} MI = 45 L
 - g. 5.66 cg = 56600 μ g
 - h. 6.66×10^8 pm = 6.66×10^{-6} Hm
4. How many variables should be altered in an experiment? *one*
5. What are the two types of variables? *independent and dependent*
6. What part of the experiment is kept constant? *controls*
7. Which types of observation is used when measuring objects? *quantitative*
8. *The color of the residue was black* is considered what type of observation?
qualitative
9. Which part of the scientific method should be in an “if, then” statement?
hypothesis
10. “If you are called to the office, then you are probably in trouble based on my past experience,” would be considered more of a hypothesis or an inference? Why?
inference, because of prior experience

11. What must be done in order for a conclusion to be accepted as a theory? *the conclusion must be retested and published*
12. Which axis is the independent variable plotted on? the dependent variable? *X; Y*
13. How is range determined on a graph? *subtract the lowest value from the highest value*
14. How is the scale of an axis on a graph determined? *highest value/number of lines available*
15. Which is located between points already plotted on the graph: interpolated points or extrapolated points? *Interpolated*
16. What type of graph would be appropriate for the following scenarios:
 - a. The change in temperature as salt is added to boiling water. *Line*
 - b. The percentages of students who prefer cheese pizza to students who prefer pepperoni pizza. *Pie*
 - c. The amount of rainfall of the year by month. *bar*
17. Define mass. How is mass different from weight? *the amount of matter in a object; weight includes gravity*
18. Define volume. What two pieces of equipment can be used to determine volume? *the amount of space an object takes up; measuring with a meter stick/ruler or a graduated cylinder*
19. What causes a meniscus? *attraction of the liquid to the sides of a glass container*
20. What is the boiling point and freezing point of the following:
 - a. Celsius *100 and 0*
 - b. Fahrenheit *212 and 32*
 - c. Kelvin *373 and 273*
21. What is the unit of temperature? *degree*
22. What is the definition of matter? *anything that has mass and takes up space*
23. What is the formula for density? *density = mass/volume*
24. Complete the following density problems:
 - a. What is the volume of a block of lead with a mass of 282.5 g and a density of 11.3 g/cm³? *25.0 cm³*
 - b. What is the density of a substance with a mass of 360 grams and a volume of 7.5 ml? *48 ml*
 - c. What is the mass of an object that measures 15 cm X 12 cm X 2 cm and has a density of 7.83 g/cm³? *2818.8 cm³ ~ 2800 cm³*
25. What is the scientific method? *series of steps used to solve a problem*
26. What are the steps in the scientific method? *State the problem, research the problem, make a hypothesis, conduct an experiment, record/analyze data, make a conclusion, report findings to others*
27. A student would like to determine which type of dog food will help his dog gain weight the quickest. He looks at several brands. He determines that brand X will help his dog gain the most weight in the shortest amount of time because it contains more carbohydrates. He tests 3 brands over several weeks. At the completion of his experiment, he finds that brand X is the best for helping his dog gain weight.

- a. **What is the problem in this story?** *which type of dog food will cause the quickest weight gain*
- b. **What is the hypothesis?** *brand X will be the most effective*
- c. **What is the independent variable?** *the type of dog food*
- d. **What is the dependent variable?** *the amount of weight gained over a period of time*
- e. **What do you think some controls could be?** *the dog, the amount of food given, the time each weight gain was measured, the flavor of the dog food, the time of the day the dog was fed*