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Grade Level: 5th

Title of Lesson: Physical and Chemical Change

Unit Title: Physical Science

Performance Standard(s) Covered:

S5CS1. Students will be aware of the importance of curiosity, honesty, openness, and skepticism in science and will exhibit these traits in their own efforts to understand how the world works.

- a. Keep records of investigations and observations and do not alter the records later.
- b. Carefully distinguish observations from ideas and speculation about those observations.
- c. Offer reasons for findings and consider reasons suggested by others.
- d. Take responsibility for understanding the importance of being safety conscious.

S5P2. Students will explain the difference between a physical change and a chemical change.

- a. Investigate physical changes by separating mixtures and manipulating (cutting, tearing, folding) paper to demonstrate examples of physical change.
- c. Investigate the properties of a substance before, during, and after a chemical reaction to find evidence of change.

Essential Question: What is a physical change? What is a chemical change?

Objective: Students will understand what constitutes a physical change as well as what constitutes a chemical change. Students will also understand the difference between a physical and chemical change.

Key Words and Terms: chemical change, physical change

Learning Activity

Abstract (limit 100 characters): Students will learn what physical and chemical changes are using literature and experimentation.

Materials Needed: 1 gallon of vinegar, one box of baking soda, paper towels, paper for each student. One of each item for one group of three students: 1 beaker, 1 spoon, 1 thermometer,

Safety Concerns: Make sure students leave beakers on table at all times to prevent having broken glassware. Have paper towels to clean up excess vinegar.

Procedure:

- 1. As a class, the students and I will read a page of their science textbook, which explains what a physical change is.
- 2. Students will then be given a piece of paper to demonstrate physical change.
- 3. After students have made a physical change to their paper, which should be ripping or cutting, a couple of students can show and explain what they did to their paper.
- 4. We will then read out a page of the science textbook, which explains what a chemical change is.
- 5. Students will divide up into groups of 3 and be given a beaker(which should have 150 ml of vinegar already in in), a spoon, and a thermometer and should have their science journals.
- 6. Students will place thermometer in beaker and record the temperature as well as the states of matter of vinegar and baking soda.
- 7. I will go to each table and students will take a spoonful of baking soda. I will then instruct students to place the baking soda into the beaker.
- 8. Students will observe the reaction and the temperature change and record the temperature of the mixture, what happened during the reaction, and the state of matter in the beaker.
- 9. Students will clean up and we will review what happened through the reaction.
- 10. For a closing, students will make a map of the changing states of matter of the baking soda and vinegar.

Notes and Tips: It would be helpful to have scale for students weigh out their baking soda and vinegar, so they could also observe the conservation of matter.

References: