

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES AND CHANGES

Name ANSWER(S)

PHYSICAL PROPERTY	
1. observed with senses	P
2. determined without destroying matter	C

Identify the following as a physical (C) or physical property (P):

- P 1. blue color
- P 2. density
- P 3. flammability (burns)
- P 4. solubility (dissolves)
- C 5. reacts with acid
- P 6. supports combustion
- P 7. sour taste
- C 8. reacts with air
- C 9. reacts with water
- P 10. hardness
- P 11. boiling point
- P 12. faster
- P 13. odor
- C 14. reacts with air

CHEMICAL CHANGE	
1. a change in the physical and chemical properties	P
2. a new substance is formed	C

Identify the following as physical (P) or chemical (C) changes:

- P 1. NaCl (table salt) dissolves in water.
- C 2. Ag (Silver) tarnishes.
- P 3. An apple is cut.
- P 4. Heat changes H₂O to steam.
- C 5. Baking soda reacts to vinegar.
- C 6. Fe (iron) rusts.
- P 7. Alcohol evaporates.
- P 8. Ice melts.
- C 9. Milk sourts.
- P 10. Sugar dissolves in water.
- C 11. Wood rots.
- C 12. Pancakes cook.
- P 13. Grass grows.
- P 14. A tire is inflated.
- C 15. Food is digested.
- P 16. Paper towel absorbs water.

Physical and Chemical Changes

Can you recognize the chemical and physical changes that happen all around us? If you change the way something looks, but haven't made a new substance, a physical change (P) has occurred. If the substance has been changed into another substance, a chemical change (C) has occurred.

1. P An ice cube is placed in the sun. Later there is a puddle of water. Later still the puddle is gone.
2. C Two chemicals are mixed together and a gas is produced.
3. C A bicycle changes color as it rusts.
4. P A solid is crushed to a powder.
5. C Two substances are mixed and light is produced.
6. C A piece of ice melts and reacts with sodium.
7. P Mixing salt and pepper.
8. P Chocolate syrup is dissolved in milk.
9. C A marshmallow is toasted over a campfire.
10. P A marshmallow is cut in half.

Part B
Read each scenario. Decide whether a physical or chemical change has occurred and give evidence for your decision. The first one has been done for you as an example.

	Scenario	Physical or Chemical Change?	Evidence —
1.	Umm! A student removes a loaf of bread from the oven. The student cuts a slice off the loaf and spreads butter on it.	Physical	No change in substance. No unexpected color change, temperature change or gas given off.
2.	Your friend decides to toast a piece of bread, but leaves it in the toaster too long. The bread is black and the kitchen is full of smoke.	C	Can't be reversed change in colour new substance (burnt)
3.	You forgot to dry the bread knife when you washed it and reddish brown spots appeared on it.	C	new substance (rust) colour change
4.	You blow dry your wet hair.	P	water evaporates hair is now dry
5.	In baking biscuits and other quick breads, the baking powder reacts to release carbon dioxide bubbles. The carbon dioxide bubbles cause the dough to rise.	C	bubbles are produced
6.	You take out your best silver spoon and notice that they are very dull and have some black spots.	C	new substance change in colour
7.	A straight piece of wire is coiled to form a spring.	P	change in form
8.	Food color is dropped into water to give it color.	P	no new substance just a solution
9.	Chewing food to break it down into smaller particles represents a _____ change, but the changing of starch into sugar by enzymes in the digestive system represents a _____ change.	C	chewing - change in form digesting - new substance
10.	In a fireworks show, the fireworks explode giving off heat and light.	C	heat and light are produced

Part C: True (T) or False (F)

1. F Changing the size and shape of pieces of wood would be a chemical change.
2. F In a physical change, the makeup of matter is changed.
3. T Evaporation occurs when liquid water changes into a gas.
4. T Evaporation is a physical change.
5. F Burning wood is a physical change.
6. F Combining hydrogen and oxygen to make water is a physical change.
7. F Brushing up concrete is a physical change.
8. F Sand being washed out to sea from the beach is a chemical change.
9. F When ice cream melts, a chemical change occurs.
10. T Acid rain damaging a marble statue is a physical change.

Worksheet #2: Physical/Chemical Properties/Changes

ANSWERS

Name _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

I. Fill in the Blanks

Physical properties can be observed without chemically changing matter.
Chemical properties describe how a substance interacts with other substances. **Solids** have definite shapes and definite volumes. **Gases** have indefinite shapes and indefinite volumes.

Phase changes are **state** changes. **Freezing** point is the temperature at which a liquid turns to a solid. It is also equal to the **Melting** point which is the temperature at which a **Solid** turns to a **Liquid**. **Boiling** point is the temperature at which a liquid turns to a gas, and **condensation** point is the temperature at which a gas turns to a liquid. Occasionally, a solid turns directly into a gas without turning into a liquid first. This is called **sublimation**.

II. Label these properties as chemical (C) or physical (P). Be certain to know the definition of each of these properties.

combustibility	C	P
malleability	C	P
weight	C	P
failure to react	C	P
ductility	C	P
texture	C	P

C density **P** tendency to corrode

C volume **P** melting point

C odor **P** flammability

III. Label these changes as chemical (C) or physical (P).

digestion of food	C	P
getting a haircut	C	P
evaporation	C	P
ice cube melting	C	P
crushing rocks	C	P

C explosions **P** lighting a candle

C tarnishing silver **P** formation of acid rain

C dissolving salt in water **P**

Physical and Chemical Change Worksheet

True or False. If false, correct the underlined portion of the statement so that it is true.

T 1. A physical change is a change of matter from one form to another without a change in chemical properties.

Chemical

F 2. A **natural** change is a change that occurs when a substance changes composition by forming one or more new substances.

T 3. Color change is evidence that a **chemical** change may have occurred.

T 4. Fizzing or foaming is evidence that a **chemical** change may have occurred.

F 5. Production of light is evidence that a **physical** change may have occurred.

T 6. Production of heat or light is evidence that a **chemical** change may have occurred.

F 7. A change in odor is evidence that a **physical** change may have occurred.

F 8. Chemical changes can be reversed by **chemical** changes.

Identify each of the following as either a Physical change (P) or a chemical change (C).

1. You cut your hair. **P**

2. Making a peanut, pretzel and cereal mixture. **P**

3. Baking soda reacts with vinegar and forms a gas. **C**

4. A piece of metal is bent in half. **P**

5. An aspirin is crushed into fine powder. **P**

6. Copper turns green when exposed to the environment. **C**

7. Two clear liquids are mixed and a yellow color forms. **C**

8. Baking cookies. **C**

9. Diamonds are used to scratch glass. **P**

10. A tree burns to form ashes. **C**

11. A piece of paper is crumpled up. **P**

12. Water freezes to form ice. **P**

13. Food spoiling. **C**

14. A candle burning. **C**

15. A candle melting. **P**