

The Great Adventure

Materials per Group (2-3 people): ice, colored pencil (1 per student), bag of salt with spoon, beaker or cup, Student Handout, towel

Procedure:

1. Put individual ice cubes out around the room and observe.
2. Fill in Box 1 for Solid:
 - a. Title box 1- "Solid"
 - b. Choose a few students to model the molecules in solid water (clump in, don't move)
 - c. Draw that inside box 1
 - d. Color 1 molecule with a colored pencil
 - e. Give it an expression that implies it packed in and can't move
 - f. Write the statements about it below box 1
3. Notice what's happening to the ice cube- it's melting!
4. Draw an arrow between boxes 1 & 2 with "energy" above it.
5. Fill in Box 2 for Liquid, repeating step 2 above.
6. Draw an arrow between boxes 2 & 3 with "energy" above it.
7. Fill in Box 3 for Gas, repeating step 2 above.
8. Let's change direction and see if we can go in reverse:
 - a. ask Puzzler #1- Where does the liquid water go?
 - b. ask Puzzle #2- Can we get it back? How?
9. Fill each beaker halfway with ice, then have them add 2 spoons of salt, stir for one minute and let it sit. What's happening on the outside?
10. Put an arrow head on the other end of the original so it's now 2-way.
11. Conclude (the next day?) with summary statements, which bring the focus back on-
 - a. Energy, and the
 - b. Molecules