

Lesson 4: What is thermal energy?

Before You Read Lesson 4

Read each statement below. Place a check mark in the circle to indicate whether you agree or disagree with the statement.

	Agree	Disagree
1. When matter is warmed, it gains thermal energy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Thermal energy can cause matter to experience a change of phase.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Thermal energy will always flow from cooler objects to warmer objects.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Conduction is the transfer of heat by a moving liquid.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

After You Read Lesson 4

Reread each statement above. If the lesson supports your choice, place a check mark in the *Correct* circle. Then explain how the text supports your choice. If the lesson does not support your choice, place a check mark in the *Incorrect* circle. Then explain why your choice is wrong.

	Correct	Incorrect
1. _____ _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. _____ _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. _____ _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. _____ _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



Notes for Home: Your child has completed a pre/post inventory of key concepts in the lesson.

Home Activity: Have your child compare and contrast conduction, convection, and radiation.

Reviewing Terms: Matching

Match each definition with the correct term. Write the letter on the line next to the definition.

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| _____ 1. transfer of heat between objects that are in contact | a. conduction |
| _____ 2. the total of all the kinetic and potential energy of the atoms of an object | b. convection |
| _____ 3. the transfer of heat by electromagnetic waves | c. radiation |
| _____ 4. the transfer of heat by a moving liquid or gas | d. thermal energy |

Reviewing Concepts: Sentence Completion

Complete each sentence with the correct word.

- _____ 5. _____ is a measure of thermal energy. (Light, Temperature)
- _____ 6. When the kinetic energy of atoms increases, thermal energy _____. (increases, decreases)
- _____ 7. A liquid becomes a _____ when its particles have absorbed enough energy to escape the surface. (gas, solid)
- _____ 8. Melting ice in your hand is an example of _____. (conduction, convection)

Applying Strategies: Predict

Use complete sentences to answer question 9. (2 points)

9. Predict which way thermal energy will flow when you hold a cup with a hot drink in your hands. Explain.
