## **States of Matter**

## **Investigation:**

**1.** Predict what the molecules of a solid, liquid and gas look like. Illustrate your prediction with a drawing.

Solid
Liquid
Gas
<b>1a.</b> Predict how a change in temperature (heat or cold) will affect each phase change (at least 3 sentences).

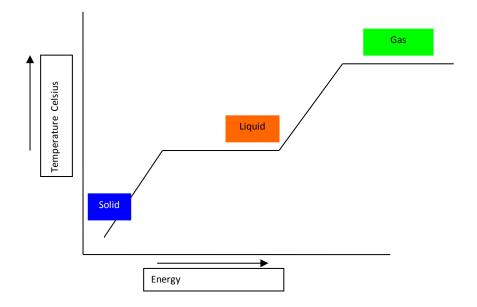
## **Procedure:**

- Open the internet browser and enter the address: http://phet.colorado.edu
- Click on "Play with Sims" and select "Chemistry" from the menu on the left.
- Open the "States of Matter" Simulation and select "Run Now"

**2.** Complete the table on the next page by exploring the "Solid, Liquid, Gas" tab in the simulation. **Test** your predictions and record your observations by recording the temperature and illustrations of each substance in the three states of matter.

Substances	Observations		
	Solid	Liquid	Gas
	Temperature:	Temperature:	Temperature:
Neon	Illustration:	Illustration:	Illustration:
	Temperature:	Temperature:	Temperature:
Argon	Illustration:	Illustration:	Illustration:
	Temperature:	Temperature:	Temperature:
Oxygen	Illustration:	Illustration:	Illustration:
	Temperature:	Temperature:	Temperature:
Water	Illustration:	Illustration:	Illustration:

**3.** Interpret the graph of Kinetic Energy vs. Temperature. Using the graph, describe the relationship between Kinetic Energy and Temperature (at least 1 paragraph).



**4.** Write a conclusion, using the simulation and graph.

Use what you have learned in this activity to support the following two statements (at least 2 paragraphs).

- How the molecules in a solid, liquid and gas compare to each other.
- How temperature relates to the kinetic energy of molecules.