

## Exploring Relationships Between Volume, Temperature, and

 Pressure of a Gas - Grade 8 Strand: Fluids$\left.$| CRITICAL LEARNING: BIG IDEAS |  |
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| How do pressurized fluids affect our lives and the lives of other living things? |  |
| FOCUS QUESTIONS |  |
| What is the relationship between temperature, volume, and pressure in a gas? |  |
| CURRICULUM EXPECTATIONS |  |
| 2. Developing Investigation and Communication Skills |  |
| 2.8 use a variety of forms (e.g., oral, written, graphic, multimedia) |  |
| to communicate with different audiences and for a variety of |  |
| purposes (e.g., using appropriate scientific and/or |  |
| technological conventions, create a technical drawing of a |  |
| pneumatic/hydraulic device; create a brochure or a |  |
| multimedia presentation outlining safe and unsafe uses of the |  |
| device that was modelled) |  |
| 2.7 use appropriate science and technology vocabulary, including |  |
| viscosity, density, particle theory of matter, hydraulic, and |  |
| pneumatic, in oral and written communication |  |$\quad$| LEARNING GOALS |
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| This investigation is designed to |
| allow students to explain in |
| qualitative terms the relationship |
| between pressure, volume, and |
| temperature on a gas when |
| compressed or heated. | \right\rvert\,

## MINDS ON...(ELICIT \& ENGAGE)

ASSESSMENT \& EVALUATION

- Bring in a bicycle pump and a can of compressed air.
- Ask students to predict what will happen to the temperature of the pump as it is pumped and the can as it is sprayed (Will the devices feel cooler or hotter as they are used?)
- Have students give reasons for their predictions then check by operating the pump and the can (the pump w ill feel hotter and the can will feel cooler).
- Ask students to explain why using each tool produced a different change in temperature.

ACTION! (EXPLORE \& EXPLAIN)

## EXPLORE:

Give the students time to use the "Gas Particles in Motion" website to investigate the effect of temperature and volume on the pressure of a gas.

Changing Volume Weblink:
http://outreach.physics.utah.edu/javalabs/java12/gaslaws/act1/lab.htm
Changing Temperature Weblink:
http://outreach.physics.utah.edu/javalabs/java12/gaslaws/act2/lab.htm
PURPOSE: To determine the effect of volume and temperature on the pressure of a gas.

HYPOTHESIS: Create a table to predict:
(A) Does increasing or decreasing the temperature of a gas increase or decrease its pressure?
(B) Does increasing or decreasing the volume of a gas increase or decrease its pressure?

## PROCEDURE:

(A) Changing Temperature

- Use Changing Temperature Weblink above
- Select the size of the gas container (keep it constant for this part of the investigation)
- Choose a temperature by clicking the top of the thermometer
- Click Record (located under the Data Table) when you are satisfied with your chosen temperature
(B) Changing Volume
- Use Changing Volume Weblink above
- Select the temperature of the gas container (keep it constant for this part of the investigation)
- Choose a volume by clicking the Increase or Decrease Volume buttons below the container
- Click Record (located under the Data Table) when you are satisfied with your chosen volume

The debriefing session serves as a formative assessment.

ASSESSMENT \& EVALUATION
*See Consolidation Section

## EXPLAIN:

## OBSERVATIONS:

(A) Changing Temperature

- Collect data for at least 5 different temperatures and pressures
- Copy the data from the Data Table onto your lab sheet data table
- Graph the data from your data table on your lab sheet
(B) Changing Volume
- Collect data for at least 5 different volumes and pressures
- Copy the data from the Data Table onto your lab sheet data table
- Graph the data from your data table on your lab sheet


## CONCLUSIONS:

(A) Changing Temperature

- Complete the following statements:
- "As we increase the temperature of a gas, the pressure ..."
- "As we decrease the temperature of a gas, the pressure ..."
(B) Changing Volume
- Complete the following statements:
- "As we increase the volume of a gas, the pressure ..."
- "As we decrease the volume of a gas, the pressure .."


## CONSOLIDATION (ELABORATE, EVALUATE, \& EXTEND)

## ASSESSMENT \& EVALUATION

Students work in groups to:

- Identify examples of the effects of changing the temperature or volume of a gas.
- Use the particle theory to explain why you cannot change the volume of a liquid.
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## REFERENCES

## MINDS ON

DiGiuseppe, Gibb, Hammill, Hayhoe, Pare. 2009. Science \& Technology Perspectives 8 Teacher's Manual. Nelson Education, Toronto. Page 117.

## EXPLORE \& CONSOLIDATION

Aspire. Gas Particles in Motion Activities 1 \& 2
http://outreach.physics.utah.edu/javalabs/java12/gaslaws/index.htm

