

Student Sheet 3.3: Investigating the Temperature of Air

Question I will try to answer: How does the temperature of Earth's surface affect the temperature of the air above it?

Directions: Answer the questions. Then complete Table 1 as you conduct the investigation.

1. How will you set up your equipment to ensure this is a fair test?

2. What will you keep the same?

3. What variable will you test?

4. Make a prediction. How do you think the temperature of a surface will affect the temperature of the air above it?

Table 1. Temperature Changes

	Cold Convection Tube		Hot Convection Tube	
	Container of Crushed Ice: Temperature (°C)		Container of Hot Water: Temperature (°C)	
Time (min)	Temperature (°C) Thermometer A (top)	Temperature (°C) Thermometer B (bottom)	Temperature (°C) Thermometer A (top)	Temperature (°C) Thermometer B (bottom)
0:00				
1:00				
2:00				
3:00				

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