

Sweet Inquiry 1



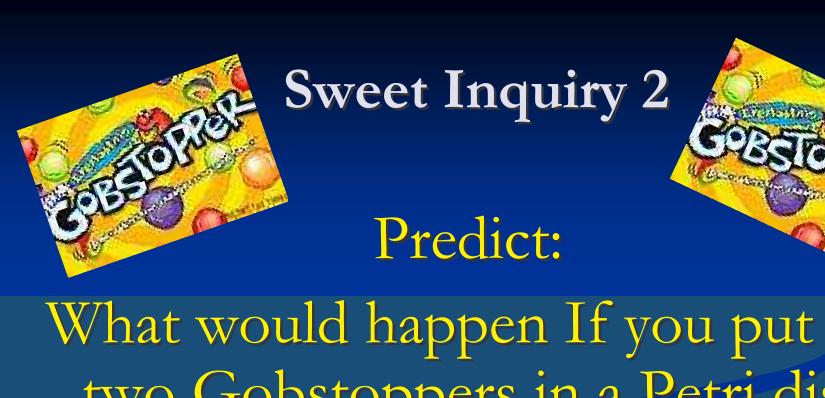
Predict:

What would happen If we put a Gobstopper in a Petri dish of water?

Teacher Demo



1 Gobstopper in center of dish of room temperature water. 1.5 minutes lapsed



What would happen If you put two Gobstoppers in a Petri dish of water? Draw a picture of what you will see.



Sweet Inquiry!



- 1. Fill the Petri dish with water
- Choose two different colors of Gobstoppers.
- 3. Place the candy on opposite sides of the dish.
- 4. Wait about 1½ minutes.
- 5. What happened?
- 6. Why?

Brain News

You do not gain mass in your brain.

You learn and get smarter by gaining connect (dendrites).





Sweet Inquiry 3



- 1. What other color shapes could you make using 3 or 4 Gobstoppers, water & the Petri dish?
- 2. Predict and experiment
- 3. Compare your results with other Gobstopper experiments

Dendrites

- You have about 100 billion when you are born
- After age 18, you lose about 60,000 per day.









Sweet Inquiry 4



- 1. What questions do you have now?
- 2. What experiments could you do to answer your question(s).
- 3. What variable(s) would you change?



The Inquiry Method



- 1. Write your question.
- 2. Create a hypothesis
- 3. Experiment
- 4. Write and/or chart your results and/or data
- 5. Make a conclusion.





Students using water temperature as a variable.

Scaffolded Inquiry

Open Inquiry

Guided Inquiry

Directed Inquiry

Herron, 1971 National Research Council, 2001

Teacher Demonstration

Scaffolded Inquiry

A process of scaffolded inquiry, reflection and generalization developed students' metacognitive knowledge.



(White and Fredrickson, 1998)