

**Note-taking  
Worksheet****Light****Section 1 The Behavior of Light**

A. Light and matter—objects must \_\_\_\_\_ light to be seen.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ materials do not allow light to pass through them; they only absorb and reflect light.
2. Some light passes through \_\_\_\_\_ materials.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ materials allow almost all light to pass through them; only a little light is absorbed and reflected.

B. Reflection of light—a light wave strikes an object and \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_—the angle at which light strikes a surface is the same as the angle at which it is reflected
2. \_\_\_\_\_ reflection—reflection of light waves from a smooth surface
3. \_\_\_\_\_ reflection—reflection of light waves from a rough surface

C. \_\_\_\_\_—change in the speed of a light wave when it passes from one material to another

1. \_\_\_\_\_—indicates how much a material reduces the speed of light; the more light is slowed, the \_\_\_\_\_ the index of refraction
2. \_\_\_\_\_—separate white light into visible spectrum based on light wavelengths
3. \_\_\_\_\_—caused by water droplets refracting wavelengths of sunlight
4. Refraction of light through air layers of different densities can result in a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Section 2 Light and Color**

A. \_\_\_\_\_—determined by wavelength of light an object reflects

1. Objects appear to be \_\_\_\_\_ because they reflect all colors of visible light.
2. Objects appear to be \_\_\_\_\_ because they absorb, rather than reflect, all colors of visible light.
3. Filter—transparent material that \_\_\_\_\_ all colors except the color or colors it transmits
4. \_\_\_\_\_ can make objects appear to be different colors.

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B. Seeing color—light enters the eye and is focused on the \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Retina—made up of two types of \_\_\_\_\_ that absorb light
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_—distinguish colors and detailed shapes; most effective in daytime vision
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_—sensitive to dim light; most effective in nighttime vision
2. \_\_\_\_\_ results when one or more sets of cones do not function properly.

C. Mixing colors

1. \_\_\_\_\_—colored material that absorbs some colors and reflects others
2. Primary colors of light—red, green, and \_\_\_\_\_
3. Primary colors of \_\_\_\_\_—magenta, cyan, and \_\_\_\_\_
4. Primary colors of light are \_\_\_\_\_ colors—combine to form white
5. Primary colors of pigments are \_\_\_\_\_ colors—combine to form black, the absence of reflected light

**Section 3 Producing Light**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ **lights**—hot tungsten wire glows; gives off light and heat
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ **lights**—electrons collide with gas atoms, releasing ultraviolet radiation absorbed by phosphors lining the bulb; gives off light
  1. Use \_\_\_\_\_ energy than incandescent bulbs
  2. Last \_\_\_\_\_ than incandescent bulbs
- C. \_\_\_\_\_ lights—tubes filled with gas (usually neon) produce light from electron collisions; different colors can be made by adding different gases
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ lights—heated neon gas glows and warmth turns sodium into a vapor, producing a yellow-orange glow; used for \_\_\_\_\_ lighting
- E. \_\_\_\_\_ lights—have a filament and gas enclosed in a glass bulb to produce intensely bright light
- F. \_\_\_\_\_—light beam produced when identical atoms send off identical light waves; can be made from gases, liquids, or solids
  1. Lasers produce \_\_\_\_\_—waves of same wavelength are aligned, and travel same direction

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2. \_\_\_\_\_—waves of multiple wavelengths are not aligned, travel in many directions
3. Lasers are used in many areas such as industry, science, communication, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Section 4 Using Light**

- A. \_\_\_\_\_—light waves vibrate in only one direction after passing through a polarizing filter.
- B. \_\_\_\_\_—process used to create a three-dimensional photographic image of an object
  1. Illuminating objects with laser light produces \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Holographic images are \_\_\_\_\_ to copy.
- C. When laser light must travel long distances or to hard-to-reach places, \_\_\_\_\_ are used.
  1. \_\_\_\_\_—light strikes a surface between two materials and is completely reflected back to the first material
  2. Uses of optical fibers
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_—send enormous numbers of messages in coded light beams
    - b. \_\_\_\_\_—internally explore the body
- D. \_\_\_\_\_—read intensities of reflected light and convert the information to digital signals
  1. Used in stores to read price on pattern called \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Used in U.S. Postal Service to \_\_\_\_\_ and keep track of deliveries
  3. Used in office machines such as \_\_\_\_\_ machines and fax machines