

A twist on the candle mystery Activity 1 Worksheet: The candle mystery

Task 1: Individual reflection

Scenario:

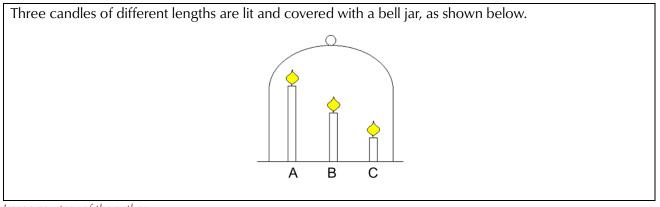


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Complete the table below.

Which candle will go out first? Will the three candles go out at similar times?

Your prediction	Your initial explanation for your prediction



Task 2: Group discussion

Scenario:

Three candles of different lengths are lit and covered with a bell jar, as shown below.

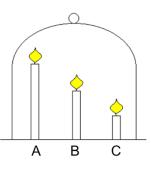


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Share your predictions and proposed explanations with your classmates. Come to a *consensus* on your group's predictions and explanations.

Which candle will go out first? Will the three candles burn out at similar times?

Guiding questions:

- Why do you think the tallest or shortest candle goes out first?/Why do you think the candles go out at similar times?
- After listening to your classmates' ideas, would you change your prediction?
- How would you convince others that your prediction is correct?

Your group's prediction	Your group's explanation