Chapter 7

Air and Atmosphere

LESSON PLAN

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

The students will learn about

- Lavoisier's experiment to determine the composition of air
- ♦ air as a mixture of gases
- component gases of air, their properties and uses
- acid rain and its effects
- air purity and air pollution

Teaching Aids

Pictures/charts/models/animation on composition of air; Lavoisier's experiment; physical and chemical properties and uses of component gases of air; acid rain and its effects; air purity and air pollution, common air pollutants, harms of air pollution on health and environment

Teaching Strategy

- Teacher will start the chapter by revising the composition of air, its characteristics and importance as taught in previous class.
- Now, teacher will explain Lavoisier's experiment to determine the composition of air.
- Teacher will explain components of air, properties and uses of component gases by demonstrating Activities 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- Now, teacher will ask students to solve 'Check Point 1'.
- Teacher will discuss rusting by demonstrating Activity 6.
- Teacher will discuss differences between respiration and combustion as well as differences between rusting and combustion.
- Teacher will discuss properties and uses of carbon dioxide, water vapour, uses of water vapour and will demonstrate Activity 7.
- Teacher will discuss noble gases, dust and smoke as part of air.
- Teacher will discuss acid rain, its effects; air purity, some common air pollutants, harms of air pollution on health and environment.

- Teacher should ask the students to solve 'Check Point 2'.
- At last, teacher will sum up the lesson by going through the points given under the head 'Wrapping It Up'.
- Teacher will finally help students to answer the questions given under the head 'Test Yourself'.

Boost Up

- Teacher can help students to perform the activities given in chapter.
- Teacher can make students revise new terms given under the head 'Know These Terms'.
- Teacher can encourage students to learn the facts given under the head 'Something More'.
- Teacher can show animations related to the topics taught, if possible.
- Teacher should ask students to learn the percentage of constituents of air.
- Teacher should assign Activity 8 as home assignment and discuss the result in the class.

Expected Learning Outcomes

The students understand and know:

- atmosphere.
- percentage of different gases in atmosphere.
- Lavoisier's experiment to determine the composition of air.
- different gases present in air, their properties and uses.
- noble gases, dust and smoke as components of air.
- ♦ acid rain and its effects.
- ♦ air purity and air pollution.
- common air pollutants and their effects on health and environment.

Evaluative Questions

The teacher should ask the following questions to evaluate the students.

- 1. Define atmosphere.
- 2. Write the percentage of oxygen and nitrogen in the atmosphere.
- 3. Which gas is essential for the growth of plants?
- 4. What is the process of burning to produce heat and light called?
- 5. What is meant by photosynthesis?
- 6. How is acid rain caused?
- 7. Write three effects of acid rain.
- 8. Name three major air pollutants.