**Graphing Exercises**

1. Drawing a Line Graph.

A student conducted an experiment to see how temperature affected the amount of sugar that would dissolve in a cup of tea. Each cup contained the same volume of tea and the sugar was stirred in at an equal rate for each cup. Only one cup was tested for each temperature.

Amount of sugar dissolved in one cup of tea

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| --- | --- |
| **Mass of sugar dissolved (g)** | **Temperature (oC)** |
| 4 | 0 |
| 30 | 20 |
| 60 | 40 |
| 98 | 60 |
| 120 | 80 |
| 160 | 100 |

1. Using the graph paper provided, draw a label appropriate axes and give the graph a title
2. Plot the values on your graph using points to mark each place.
3. Draw a line of best fit, that is, a line drawn in between the points so that some are on the line, some are below it and some are above.
4. What was the mass of sugar dissolved at 70o according to your graph?
5. Name the independent variable.
6. Name the dependent variable.
7. List the variables that should be controlled in order for this to be a good experiment.
8. In a fair scientific test, all variables are controlled. Is this experiment a fair test of the solubility of sugar?
9. A reliable experiment is when it has been repeated at least three times. Is this experiment reliable?

2. Some students did an experiment in which they added 20 mL of three different acids to 5 g of magnesium in three different containers labelled A, B and C. They measured the temperature of the mixture in each container each minute. Part of their experimental record is shown in the table below.

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| **Time**  **(min)** | **Temperature (oC)** | | |
| **A** | **B** | **C** |
| 0 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 18.2 |
| 1 | 18.4 | 18.7 | 18.5 |
| 2 | 18.5 | 18.9 | 18.7 |
| 3 | 18.6 | 19.0 | 19.0 |
| 4 | 18.8 | 19.2 | 19.4 |
| 5 | 18.9 | 19.3 | 19.5 |
| 6 | 19.1 | 19.5 | 19.8 |
| 7 | 19.2 | 19.7 | 20.1 |
| 8 | 19.3 | 20.0 | 20.4 |
| 9 | 19.5 | 20.2 | 20.7 |
| 10 | 19.6 | 20.5 | 21.1 |
| 11 | 19.8 | 20.7 | 20.9 |
| 12 | 19.9 | 20.9 | 20.8 |
| 13 | 20.1 | 20.7 | 20.6 |
| 14 | 20.2 | 20.6 | 20.4 |
| 15 | 20.4 | 20.4 | 20.1 |

1. What do you think is the purpose of this experiment?
2. Which acid seems to have reacted fastest with the magnesium? How do you know?
3. Which acid reacted the slowest?
4. Did any of the acids completely react with all the magnesium? How do you know?
5. Draw on the same axes a graph to represent the results of this experiment.
6. What factors are controlled in this experiment?
7. What factors are changed during this experiment?
8. Write a conclusion for the experiment based on your interpretation of the results.
9. Is this a fair test?
10. Is this experiment reliable?