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Website: <a href="http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/states-of-matter-basics">http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/states-of-matter-basics</a>

## **Checking My Understanding- Comparing Solids, Liquids, and Gases**

Once at the site, hit the Run Now button. Complete the following matrix using the States of Matter (Basic) Simulation. Focus on similarities and differences.

	Items to be compared				
State of Matter-NEON	Solid	Liquid	Gas		
Shape					
Space between atoms					
Attraction between the atoms					
Describe the motion of the atoms					
Kinetic Energy of the atoms					
Draw a picture					

		Items to be compared		
State of Matter- OXYGEN	Solid	Liquid	Gas	
Shape				
Space between atoms				
Attraction between the atoms				
Describe the motion of the atoms				
Kinetic Energy of the atoms				
Draw a picture				

Compare the Neon matrix with the Oxygen matrix and answer the following.

1. What knowledge did you need to complete this task?

2. What insights did you gain (what did you learn) about the process of identifying similarities and differences while using these comparison matrixes.

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