

Science Safety

- 1** Always follow the safety procedures outlined by your teacher. Follow directions, and ask questions if you're unsure of what to do.
- 2** Never put any material in your mouth. Do not taste any material or chemical unless your teacher specifically tells you to do so.
- 3** Do not smell any unknown material. If your teacher tells you to smell a material, wave a hand over it to bring the scent toward your nose.
- 4** Avoid touching your face, mouth, ears, eyes, or nose while working with chemicals, plants, or animals. Tell your teacher if you have any allergies.
- 5** Always wash your hands with soap and warm water immediately after using chemicals (including common chemicals, such as salt and dyes) and handling natural materials or organisms.
- 6** Do not mix unknown chemicals just to see what might happen.
- 7** Always wear safety goggles when working with liquids, chemicals, and sharp or pointed tools. Tell your teacher if you wear contact lenses.
- 8** Clean up spills immediately. Report all spills, accidents, and injuries to your teacher.
- 9** Treat animals with respect, caution, and consideration.
- 10** Never use the mirror of a microscope to reflect direct sunlight. The bright light can cause permanent eye damage.

