

Lab Safety

When you perform an experiment at home or school, your first priority should be your safety and the safety of those around you. When you experiment at school, ALWAYS follow your teacher's or the book's instructions and NEVER try anything on your own without asking the teacher first.

Complete each of the important safety tips below with a word or phrase from the box. Each word or phrase will only be used once.

organized	flame	glassware	wash	cords
long hair	clean up	directions	well-lit	taste
ask questions	teacher	eat or drink	shoes	sharp
safety goggles	broken glass	closed	live plants or animals	spill
plastic gloves	unapproved	safety equipment	heat-resistant gloves	apron
lab materials				

1. Always _____ your hands before and after an experiment.
2. Read all _____ before beginning the experiment and ask questions if you are unsure of directions.
3. Keep your work area neat and _____.
4. Know the location of _____ and how to use it.
5. Always wear _____ when working with chemicals, burners, or any substance that may hurt your eyes.
6. Never touch, _____, or smell any chemical.
7. Be careful not to _____ any materials. If a spill does occur, clean it up immediately.
8. Never reach across a _____.
9. Pull back _____ and push up sleeves.
10. Have an adult handle _____ objects such as knives or blades.
11. Always work in a _____ and well-ventilated area.
12. Never heat liquids in a _____ container.
13. Always use the tongs, clamps, or _____ when moving hot containers.
14. Never use broken or chipped _____.
15. Dispose of _____ or other sharp objects in the proper container.
16. Notify the _____ immediately if you are cut, burned, or otherwise hurt.
17. _____ your work area when the experiment is completed.
18. Return all _____ to their proper location when the experiment is completed.
19. Never perform unsupervised or _____ experiments.
20. Wear an _____ to protect yourself and your clothes from chemicals.
21. Wear closed-toe _____ when performing experiments.
22. Make sure appliances are working properly and keep _____ untangled and out of walking paths.
23. Handle _____ with care and never be cruel or harm living creatures in an experiment.
24. Make sure you know how to use all of the equipment and _____ if you don't.
25. Wear _____ to protect your hands when handling live animals, plants, or chemicals.
26. Do not _____ while completing an experiment.

