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Physics	13	1	
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# Topic 9 Thermal Physics

## **Content (Intent)**

# Prior Learning (Topic) Topic 2 (mechanics), Topic 3 (electricity)

Ideal gases

Equation of state pV = NkT

Concept of absolute zero,  $T = \vartheta + 273$ 

Kinetic theory: derive  $pV = \frac{1}{3}Nm < c^2 >$ 

Temperature and molecular kinetic energy

$$\frac{1}{2}m < c^2 > = \frac{3}{2}kT$$

Concept of internal energy

Specific heat capacity,  $\Delta E = mc\Delta\theta$ 

Specific latent heat,  $\Delta E = L\Delta m$ 

- CORE PRACTICAL 12: Calibrate a thermistor in a potential divider circuit as a thermostat.
- CORE PRACTICAL 13: Determine the specific latent heat of a phase change.
- CORE PRACTICAL 14: Investigate the relationship between pressure and volume of a gas at fixed temperature.

How will knowledge and skills be taught?	How will your understanding be assessed &
(Implementation)	recorded (Impact)
Investigate the relationship between pressure and temperature of a gas at fixed volume.	Homework Booklet 9 marked and written
-	feedback given
Mathematical requirement:	Test 9 marked, graded and feedback given
Derivation of both equations.	
Experiments to find the SHC of a solid and a liquid	

## How can parents help at home?

Check that the homework booklet 9 is completed

#### Helpful further reading/discussion

Reading	Vocabulary Lists	Careers Links
Advanced Physics for you	See front of homework	
chapters 14,15	booklet	
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