

Scientific Method – Practice with Variables

Read each of the case studies below. Complete the chart and formulate a hypothesis for the experiment.

1. Tommy wants to conduct an experiment to determine the effects of various volumes of music on the amount of milk produced by a goat.

Independent Variable (IV)	Dependant Variable (DV)	2 Controlled Variables (CV)

Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

2. Gary wants to determine if drinking large amounts of Dr Pepper can increase your heart rate.

Independent Variable (IV)	Dependant Variable (DV)	2 Controlled Variables (CV)

Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

3. Ethan wants to test which type of coke causes him to burp the most – regular or diet.

Independent Variable (IV)	Dependant Variable (DV)	2 Controlled Variables (CV)

Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

4. Katlyn wants to conduct an experiment to test if changing the amount of baking soda she adds to her cookies will change how hard they are.

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Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

5. Phil wants to determine if he can change the amount of eggs his hen lays by changing the amount of food it is fed.

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Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

6. Lisa wants to test which type of water (bottled or tap) keeps her cut roses alive the longest.

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Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

7. Tim wants to test if eating large amounts of Skittles will affect how much a person will sleep in a night.

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Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____

8. Matt wants to know if increasing the water temperature in his fish tank will cause the corals to grow faster.

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Hypothesis: IF _____ then _____