

Key TAKS Language and Vocabulary

(From 2003 and 2004 Released tests, 2004 Revised TAKS Information Booklet, and italicized words in TAKS Study Guide, Grade 5)

Language across the Curriculum

most related to	relationship between
represents	representation
indicate	most likely
best supports	result of
more accurate	undergo
prevent	responsible for
increase in	release
decrease in	

Nature of Science-TAKS Obj. 1

system	hypothesis
line graphs	data
variables	data tables
inference	centimeter
investigation	model
control group	kilometer
trial	lab
procedure	conclusion
beaker	balance
valid claim	(product advertisement)

Life Science-TAKS Obj. 2

organism	species
individual	population
inherited	adaptation
basic need	behavior
learned behavior	instinctive behavior
habitat	niche
life cycle	metamorphosis
consumer	herbivore
carnivore	omnivore
producer	photosynthesis
decomposer	oxygen
advantage	minerals
survival	predator
prey	pollination
food web	food(energy) chain
characteristic	mammals
insects	environment
stationary	

Physical Science-TAKS Obj. 3

matter/changes	mass
weight	states of matter(solid, liquid, gas)
conduct/conductor	insulator
mixture	solution
circuit	electric current
electrical energy	heat energy
sound	vibration
refraction	reflection
crystals	freezing
boiling	melting
dissolving	magnetism
gravity	friction
heat	light
magnify	chemical reaction
precipitation	evaporation
condensation	nitrogen
carbon dioxide	water vapor
oxygen	

Earth/Space Science-TAKS Obj. 4

erosion	fossil, imprint	renewable resource
weathering	air pressure	weather(fair, mild)
deposition	fossil fuel	alternative energy sources
filter	telescope	planet
crystals	rotation	revolution
sunspots	sun's surface	rock cycle
soil	clay	water retaining
tides	landforms(canyon, mountain)	