

**Lesson Description**

In this lesson, students will use Collisions to explore the three types of intermolecular forces (IMFs): (1) London Dispersion Forces, (2) dipole-dipole, and (3) hydrogen bonding.

**Key Essential Questions**

1. What is an intermolecular force and what are the three types of IMFs?
2. What influences the strength of an IMF?

**Learning Outcomes**

Students will be able to identify the 3 types of intermolecular forces and compare IMF strength.

**Prior Student Knowledge Expected**

Atoms can covalently bond together to form molecular compounds. In a bond, electrons are not always evenly shared.

**Lesson Materials**

- Individual student access to Collisions on tablet, Chromebook, or computer.
- Projector / display of teacher screen
- Accompanying student resources (attached)

**Standards Alignment**

NGSS Alignment		
Science & Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing and using models</li> <li>• Constructing explanations and designing solutions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HS-PS-2.</b> Construct and revise an explanation for the outcome of a simple chemical reaction based on the outermost electron states of atoms, trends in the periodic table, and knowledge of the patterns of chemical properties.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patterns</li> <li>• Structure and Function</li> </ul>

## PART 1: Explore (15 minutes)

This is an inquiry-driven activity where students will play the first few levels of the Intermolecular Forces game to introduce themselves to the 3 types of Intermolecular Forces.

**A student worksheet for this activity can be found on PAGE 5.**

Direct students to log into Collisions with their individual username and password, enter the Intermolecular Forces game, and follow the directions below. Student answer key below.

	Questions (ANSWER KEY)
Level 1	<p>1. What is a <b>temporary dipole</b>? <i>Temporary partially positive and negative ends in an atom or a molecule based on the location of electrons</i></p> <p>2. Draw the molecule that you created. <i>Draw HCl</i></p> <p>3. Are the bonded electrons 'evenly shared' in this molecule? <i>No</i></p> <p>3. The molecule that you built has a <b>permanent dipole</b>. What does this mean? <i>A permanent dipole occurs when positive and negative charges are permanently induced in a molecule due to the uneven distribution of electrons</i></p> <p>4. What type of <b>intermolecular force (IMF)</b> did you make? <i>Dipole-Dipole</i></p>
Level 2	<p>5. In this level, you must create two polar molecules. Did these molecules have temporary or permanent dipoles? <i>Permanent Dipoles</i></p> <p>6. What type of IMF did these molecules form? <i>Dipole-Dipole</i></p>
Level 3	<p>7. What new <b>type of IMF</b> did you create in this level? <i>Hydrogen Bond</i></p> <p>8. Does this type of IMF require stronger or weaker dipoles than a dipole-dipole (D-D) IMF? <i>Stronger</i></p>
Level 4	<p>9. What molecule did you build to create a dipole-dipole (D-D) IMF? <i>HBr</i></p> <p>10. What molecule did you build to create a hydrogen bond IMF? <i>HF</i></p>
Level 5	<p>10. What new <b>type of IMF</b> did you create in this level? <i>London Dispersion Force</i></p> <p>11. Did the atom/molecules created have a temporary or permanent dipole? <i>Temporary</i></p> <p>12. Is this IMF stronger or weaker than a dipole-dipole (D-D) IMF? <i>Weaker</i></p>
Level 6	<p>13. What type of IMFs are you creating in this level? <i>London Dispersion Forces</i></p> <p>14. What is the relationship between electron number and charge imbalance? <i>There is a greater charge imbalance as the number of electrons increase.</i></p> <p>15. Which IMF is stronger? An IMF between He or an IMF between Xe? Why? <i>Xe because there are more electrons</i></p>

## PART 2: Explain (15 minutes)

Introduce the following concepts with your students.

- **Intermolecular forces** are attractive forces that occurs between molecules.
- There are 3 types of IMFs:

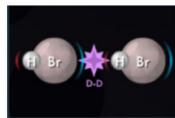
IMF Type	Definition
<b>London Dispersion Force</b>	Attractions between atoms and nonpolar molecules with temporary dipoles
<b>Dipole-Dipole</b>	Attractions between polar molecules with permanent dipoles
<b>Hydrogen Bond</b>	Attractions between very polar molecules with permanent dipoles  Occurs when H is bonded to N, O, or F

**Reminder:** The Collisions IMF Game Guide includes the following image(s) that you can share with your students as well.

CHEMISTRY CONCEPT: IMF Types



London Dispersion Forces ( + ) are temporary dipoles resulting from the constant movement of electrons.



Dipole-Dipole ( + ) interactions result between two polar molecules.



Hydrogen Bonding ( \* ) results from the attractive force between a hydrogen atom covalently bonded to a very electronegative atom such as an N, O, or F atom and another very electronegative atom.

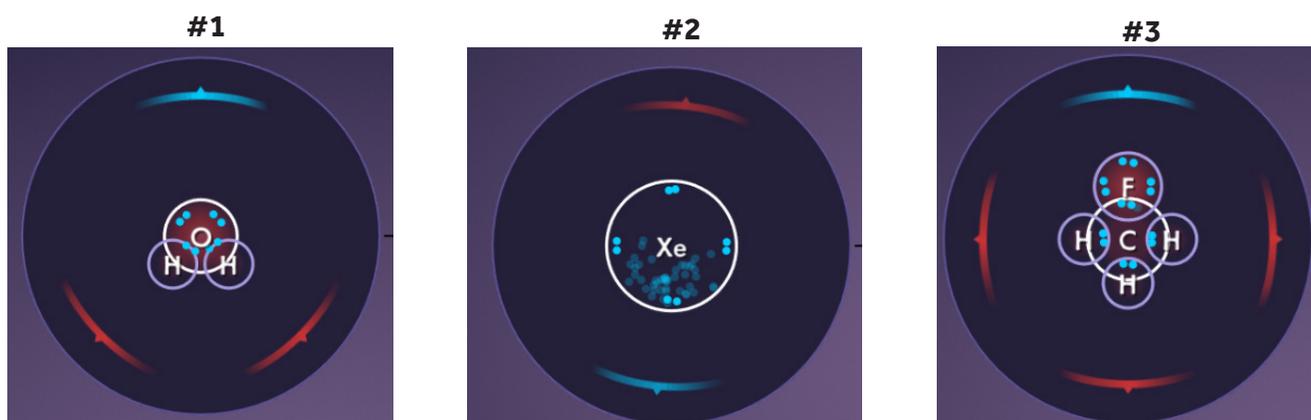
### PART 3: Extend (30 minutes)

To continue allowing your students to practicing / reviewing IMF Types, assign the IMF Type Extend Activity on page 6. See below for the answer key.

Your Results		
LDF	Dipole-Dipole	Hydrogen bond
He, Xe, CH <sub>4</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub> , Cl <sub>2</sub>	SF <sub>2</sub> , CF <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> , HCl, HBr	NH <sub>3</sub> , HF, HOF

### PART 4: Evaluate (5 minutes)

Project the below image and have students answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper (or create your own molecules in the IMF Sandbox).



#### Using the images above:

- 1) What IMF will each atom/molecule above form?
- 2) Order the images above from weakest to strongest IMF.
- 3) In Image #3, if the F was changed to an H, would this change the IMF formed?

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**DIRECTIONS:** Complete the following activity as an introduction to today's topic: Intermolecular Forces.

1. Log into Collisions and enter the IMFs game.
2. Play through Level 1 - 6. During play, completed the questions below.

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<b>Level 1</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What is a <b>temporary dipole</b>?</li><li>2. Draw the molecule that you created.</li><li>3. Are the bonded electrons 'evenly shared' in this molecule?</li><li>3. The molecule that you built has a <b>permanent dipole</b>. What does this mean?</li><li>4. What type of <b>intermolecular force (IMF)</b> did you make?</li></ol>
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**SUMMARY QUESTION:** List the three types of IMFs below and order them from weakest to strongest.

**DIRECTIONS:** Complete the following activity as an extension of today's topic: Intermolecular Forces.

1. Based on your assumptions, predict which IMF type the following molecules/atoms have by placing them in a columns below under 'Your Predictions'.

Bank of Molecules/Atoms				
He	NH <sub>3</sub>	HCl	HOF	
CO <sub>2</sub>	Xe	Cl <sub>2</sub>	HF	
SF <sub>2</sub>	CF <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	HBr	CH <sub>4</sub>	

Your Predictions		
LDF	Dipole-Dipole	Hydrogen Bond
Why did you place these atoms/molecules in this category?	Why did you place these atoms/molecules in this category?	Why did you place these atoms/molecules in this category?

2. Test your predictions by building these atoms/molecules in the IMFs Sandbox with the predicted IMF. Document your results below.

Your Results		
LDF	Dipole-Dipole	Hydrogen bond

3. How did your predictions compare to the results observed in the IMF Sandbox?

4. How could you change CH<sub>4</sub> to make it a dipole-dipole. Explain why this change makes this difference.