

But what happens if you raise the temperature to <u>super-high levels</u>... between 1000°C and 1,000,000,000°C ?

Will everything just be a gas?



PLASMA

- A <u>plasma</u> is an ionized gas: positively charged nuclei swim in a "sea" of freely-moving dissociated electrons.
- A plasma is a very good conductor of electricity: it produces and responds to magnetic fields.



- Plasmas, like gases, have an indefinite shape and an indefinite volume.
- A gas is usually converted to a plasma in one of the following two ways:
 - by exposing gas to extremely high temperatures that cause electrons to leave the atoms
 - From a huge voltage difference between two points

Plasma is a **<u>common state of matter</u>**!

Some places where plasmas are found...



How many states of matter?



Can you spot a change?

Physical Change Effect of a Hot Poker on a Block of Ice

A change from one state of matter to another...





Phase Transition Examples







