

● After You Read

Mini Glossary

Earth science: the study of Earth systems and systems in space

life science: the study of living systems and the ways in which they interact

physical science: the study of matter and energy

science: a way of learning more about the natural world

scientific law: a rule that describes a pattern in nature

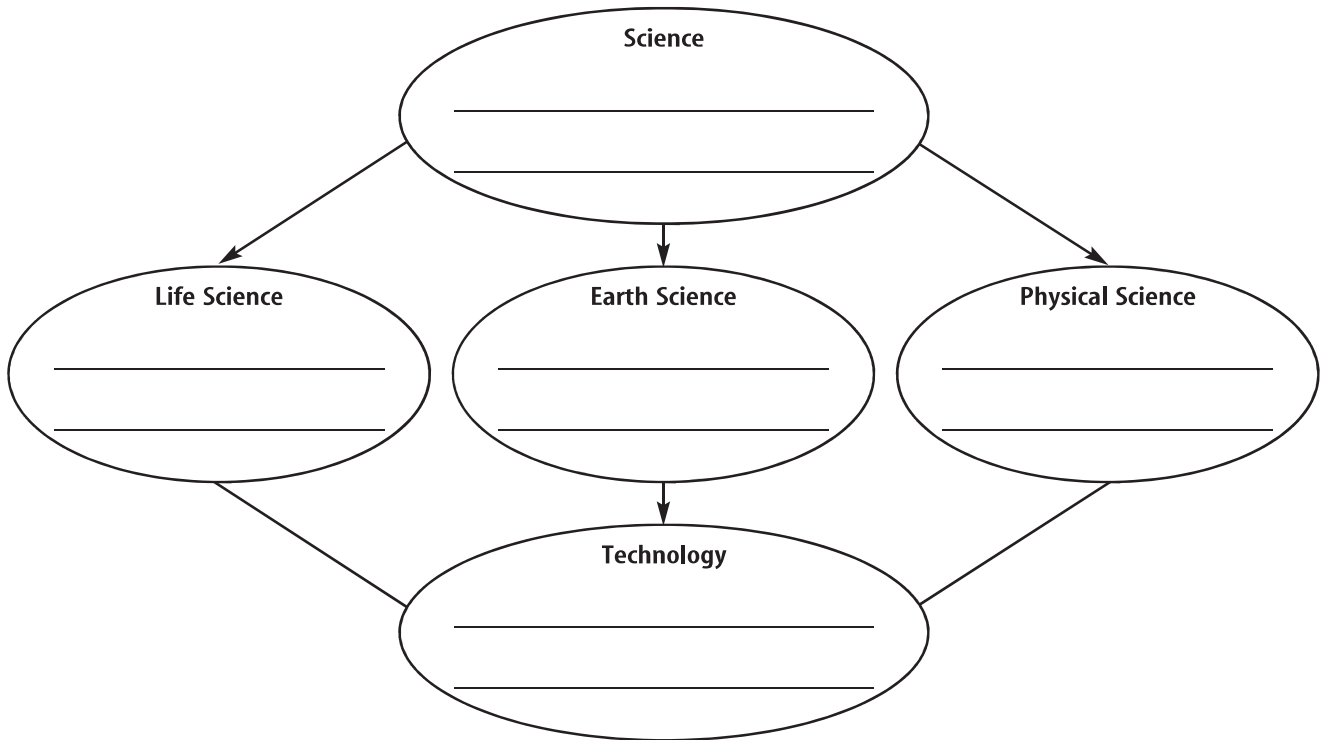
scientific theory: an attempt to explain a pattern seen repeatedly in the natural world

system: a group of structures, cycles, and processes that are related to each other and work together

technology: is the practical use of science in our everyday lives

1. Review the terms and their definitions in the Mini Glossary. When you see lightning strike, you probably will hear thunder soon. Is this statement a scientific theory or a scientific law? Explain.

2. Fill in the graphic organizer below with explanations of science, each branch of science, and technology.



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