Are they Alike?

Use your observational skills to identify and describe physical properties of several different substances.

Caution Do not use your sense of taste for this lab! Also, be careful when handling the materials, as some have sharp points.

Part 1: Comparing Tacks

	Color	Length	Solubility	Attracted to a Magnet?	Luster	Malleability
Tack 1						
Tack 2						

Part 2: Comparing Small White Solids (salt, sugar, sand)

After observing, conclude what substance each solid is:	Color	Shape when magnified (detailed diagram)	Attracted to a Magnet?	Solubility
Solid 1				
Solid 2				
Solid 3				

Pour a small amount of each of your solubility tests for the three solids into a shallow dish.

Allow the water to evaporate.

On the back of this lab sheet, diagram what you see when all the water has evaporated.