

Solids

Do not flow or expand easily.

Atoms cannot move past one another.

Do not compress easily.

There is very little space between the atoms.

Hold their own shape and volume.

The atoms are tightly locked together.



Gases

Can flow easily.

Atoms can move easily past one another.

Can be compressed easily.

There is lots of space between the atoms.

Take the shape of containers.

Atoms can move easily past one another.



Liquids

Can flow easily.

Atoms can move past one another.

Do not compress easily.

There is little space between the atoms.

Take the shape of containers.

Atoms can move past one another.

