Variables

In a controlled experiment, only one variable is changed. This is called the manipulated variable. The variable that changes in response to the manipulated variable is called the responding variable. The variables that are kept constant are called controlled variables.

Identify the manipulated variable, the responding variable, and two of the controlled variables in the experiment shown.

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Types of Variables			П
Manipulated Variable	sealing flock		
Responding Variable	anoran of	Gravy is boiled.	Gravy is boiled.
Controlled Variables	boiling grave size of block both used		
	locations time of boiling etc		
	3	Flask is open.	Flask is sealed.
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€.			Gravy is free
	١	Gravy is teeming with microorganisms.	of microorganisms.

Use the diagram and table to answer the question.

1. Suppose the scientist had put one type of gravy in the flask he left open and another in the flask he sealed. Would this be a well-designed controlled experiment? Explain.

No because there would have been more than one manipulated variable. It would be difficult to determine what caused the lack of organisms the sealing of the container or the different opening of the container or the different opening.