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**Chapter 4** Atomic Structure

# **Section 4.1 Studying Atoms**

(pages 100-105)

This section discusses the development of atomic models.

# Reading Strategy (page 100)

**Summarizing** As you read, complete the table about atomic models. For more information on this Reading Strategy, see the **Reading and Study Skills** in the **Skills and Reference Handbook** at the end of your textbook.

Atomic Models		
Scientist	Evidence	Model
	Ratio of masses in compounds	
	Deflected beam	
Rutherford		Positive, dense nucleus

### Ancient Greek Models of Atoms (page 100)

- **1.** Democritus named the smallest particles of matter \_\_\_\_\_\_ because they could not be divided.
- **2.** List the four elements that Aristotle included in his model of matter.

a	b
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### **Dalton's Atomic Theory** (page 101)

- **3.** Is the following sentence true or false? John Dalton gathered evidence for the existence of atoms by measuring the masses of elements that reacted to form compounds.
- **4.** What theory did Dalton propose to explain why the elements in a compound always join in the same way? \_\_\_\_\_\_
- **5.** Circle the letters of the sentences that represent the main points of Dalton's theory of atoms.
  - a. All elements are composed of atoms.
  - b. In a particular compound, atoms of different elements always combine the same way.
  - c. All atoms have the same mass.
  - d. Compounds contain atoms of more than one element.

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# Thomson's Model of the Atom (pages 102-103)

- **6.** Objects with like electric charges \_\_\_\_\_\_, and objects with opposite electric charges \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. What happened to the beam when Thomson placed a pair of charged metal plates on either side of the glass tube? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Thomson concluded that the particles in the glowing beam had a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ charge because they were attracted to a positive plate.
- **9.** Is the following sentence true or false? Thomson's experiments provided the first evidence for the existence of subatomic particles.
- 10. Describe Thomson's model. \_\_\_\_\_

# Rutherford's Atomic Theory (pages 104-105)

- 11. What is an alpha particle? \_\_\_\_\_
- **12.** Fill in the table to show what Rutherford hypothesized would happen to the paths of alpha particles as they passed through a thin sheet of gold.

Rutherford's Hypothesis		
Most particles would travel	Particles that did not pass straight	
from their source to a screen that lit up	through would be	
when struck.		

- **13.** Circle the letters of the sentences that describe what happened when Marsden directed a beam of particles at a piece of gold foil.
  - a. Fewer alpha particles were deflected than expected.
  - b. More alpha particles were deflected than expected.
  - c. None of the alpha particles were deflected.
  - $\ d. \ Some \ alpha \ particles \ bounced \ back \ toward \ the \ source.$
- **14.** Circle the letter of the sentence that states what Rutherford concluded from the gold foil experiment.
  - a. An atom's negative charge is concentrated in its nucleus.
  - b. Thomson's model of the atom was correct.
  - c. An atom's positive charge is concentrated in its nucleus.
  - d. An atom's positive charge is spread evenly throughout the atom.