

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)

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

Dalton's Atomic Theory (page 101)

- 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. _____
- What theory did Dalton propose to explain why the elements in a compound always join in the same way? _____

- Circle the letters of the sentences that represent the main points of Dalton's theory of atoms.
 - All elements are composed of atoms.
 - In a particular compound, atoms of different elements always combine the same way.
 - All atoms have the same mass.
 - 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 _____ from their source to a screen that lit up when struck.	Particles that did not pass straight through would be _____ _____

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.