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Mysterious Substance in Westfield’s Water
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Safety Guidelines for Science Investigations

1. **Follow instructions.** Listen carefully to your teacher’s instructions. Ask questions if you don’t know what to do.

2. **Don’t taste things.** No tasting anything or putting it near your mouth unless your teacher says it is safe to do so.

3. **Smell substances like a chemist.** When you smell a substance, don’t put your nose near it. Instead, gently move the air from above the substance to your nose. This is how chemists smell substances.

4. **Protect your eyes.** Wear safety goggles if something wet could splash into your eyes, if powder or dust might get in your eyes, or if something sharp could fly into your eyes.

5. **Protect your hands.** Wear gloves if you are working with materials or chemicals that could irritate your skin.

6. **Keep your hands away from your face.** Do not touch your face, mouth, ears, eyes, or nose while working with chemicals, plants, or animals.

7. **Tell your teacher if you have allergies.** This will keep you safe and comfortable during science class.

8. **Be calm and careful.** Move carefully and slowly around the classroom. Save your outdoor behavior for recess.

9. **Report all spills, accidents, and injuries to your teacher.** Tell your teacher if something spills, if there is an accident, or if someone gets injured.

10. **Avoid anything that could cause a burn.** Allow your teacher to work with hot water or hot equipment.

11. **Wash your hands after class.** Make sure to wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water after handling plants, animals, or science materials.
Chemical Reactions
Unit Overview

A strange reddish-brown substance is coming out of the water pipes in the town of Westfield. What is this substance, and where did it come from? As a student chemist you will help Dr. Samara Yung’s chemistry lab to solve this mystery. Using a Simulation, science articles, videos, and models, you will investigate what the reddish-brown substance is and how it formed.
Chapter 1: Properties and Atoms
Chapter Overview

A mysterious reddish-brown substance has been discovered coming out of the water pipes in Westfield. As student chemists, it is up to you to identify this mysterious substance and determine if it is the same as or different from the other substances in the water system. To do this, you'll need to make detailed observations as you learn what makes substances the same or different.
Lesson 1.2: A Water Mystery in Westfield

A neighborhood in the town of Westfield is in a panic. Recently, a strange reddish-brown substance has been seen coming out of the residents' pipes whenever they turn on the water. The neighborhood association has recommended that they avoid using the water until the mysterious substance has been identified. Chemist Dr. Samara Yung has been called in to help the residents of Westfield determine what is going on. Is the water toxic? As a student chemist, you will be assisting Dr. Yung as she determines what the reddish-brown substance is and why it is coming out of Westfield’s water pipes.

Unit Question

• How do new substances form?

Chapter 1 Question

• What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Vocabulary

• property
• substance
Warm-Up

Look at the two images of water below. One glass has clean water, and the other has dirty water. Think about how you use water every day. Then, answer the question below.

How would your life be different if you didn’t have clean water at home?

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To: Student Chemists  
From: Dr. Samara Yung, Lead Chemist  
Subject: Water Crisis in Westfield

Last week, I received a call from Alexa Anderson, a resident of Westfield. When she turned on her faucet for a glass of water, a strange reddish-brown substance came out. She called a few of her neighbors and found out that the reddish-brown substance was coming out of their water pipes, too.

My lab uses chemistry to identify unknown substances, so I went to Westfield to take some samples. I took a sample of the water coming out of the pipes and another sample from the well where the neighborhood’s water comes from. I analyzed the samples and made an interesting discovery. The water coming out of the pipes contains the mysterious reddish-brown substance, but I didn’t find any of the reddish-brown substance in the water sample that I took from the well. Instead, I found something else. It appears that some fertilizer from a nearby farm seeped into the well water.

We need to do more analysis in order to identify the reddish-brown substance, but my lab is unfortunately busy with other projects right now. Therefore, I need your help to get to the bottom of this mystery. The residents of Westfield need answers!

Chapter 1 Question: What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Claim 1: The reddish-brown substance is the same as the substance that makes up the pipes.

Claim 2: The reddish-brown substance is the same substance as the fertilizer.

Claim 3: The reddish-brown substance is not the same as either the fertilizer or the substance that makes up the pipes.
Observing Substances

Safety Note: Using Chemicals

The substances in this investigation should remain sealed in their containers. Do not taste or touch the substances in the investigation. The sodium nitrate and iron oxide granules present irritation risks. If sodium nitrate gets on your skin or clothes, rinse the substance off with water. If you get a substance in your eyes, rinse the affected area with water for 15 minutes. If iron oxide is inhaled, move to fresh air and seek medical help for any breathing difficulties.

Chemical Warning

The Chemical Reactions kit contains chemicals that may be harmful if misused. These chemicals are not to be used without adult supervision. Chemicals used in this activity are:

• iron oxide granules
• iron filings
• sodium nitrate

Look at the Safety Guidelines on page 1 before you begin your investigation.

Dr. Yung has provided you with samples of three substances she collected from Westfield. With your group, observe each of these samples and discuss what you observe. Then, record your observations below.

What did you observe about the sample of the pipe substance?

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What did you observe about the sample of fertilizer?

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Observing Substances (continued)

What did you observe about the sample of the reddish-brown substance?

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Lesson 1.3: Analyzing Substances and Properties

You already know that a mysterious reddish-brown substance has been discovered coming out of the water pipes in Westfield. Now that you have observed the sample substances’ properties, it’s time to think about how your observations can help you identify this reddish-brown substance. Dr. Yung needs you to gather evidence that will help her determine what the reddish-brown substance is and whether or not it is the same as any of the other substances in Westfield’s water pipes. Today, you will gain more practice in observing properties chemists use when identifying an unknown substance.

Unit Question
- How do new substances form?

Chapter 1 Question
- What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Vocabulary
- property
- substance

Digital Tools
- Chemical Reactions Sorting Tool activity: Evaluating Evidence
Warm-Up

David and Luisa are trying to determine if two samples are the same or different substances. First, they observed sample 1 and sample 2. Then, they wrote down their observations. Review their observations. Then, answer the questions below.

David's Observations

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<td>light color</td>
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Luisa's Observations

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<th>Sample 2</th>
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<td>white powder</td>
<td>white powder</td>
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<td>clear crystals</td>
<td>cloudy crystals</td>
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Which student's observations would prove more useful to a chemist? (check one)

☐ David's observations

☐ Luisa's observations

Explain your answer.

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Investigating Substances

Safety Note: Using Chemicals

Do not taste or touch the substances in the investigation. Mix substances only when you are told to do so by your teacher. The substances present skin irritation risks. Wash exposed areas when finished. If a substance gets on your skin or clothes, tell your teacher, and rinse the substance off with water. If you get a substance in your eyes, tell your teacher and rinse your eyes with water for 15 minutes. If a substance is inhaled, move to fresh air and seek medical help for any breathing difficulties.

Chemical Warning

The Chemical Reactions kit contains chemicals that may be harmful if misused. Read cautions on individual containers carefully. These chemicals are not to be used without adult supervision.

Look at the Safety Guidelines on page 1 before you begin your investigation.

Working with your group of four, observe each of the four samples. Discuss what you observe and then record the properties of each sample in the table. Then, use the completed table to answer the question on the next page.

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Investigating Substances (continued)

Based on your observations, do you think any of the samples are the same type of substance? (check one)

☐ yes
☐ no

Explain your answer.

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Evaluating Evidence

Three students at another school observed two of the same samples you did earlier in this lesson. With a partner, complete the following steps:

1. Launch the Chemical Reactions Sorting Tool activity: Evaluating Evidence and review the observations on each evidence card.
2. Use the Evidence Criterion to discuss which observations you think are the strongest.
3. Place each evidence card on the Evidence Gradient based on how strong you think it is.
4. When your Evidence Gradient is complete, press HAND IN. If you worked with a partner, write his or her name here: _________________________________________________________________

Goal: Sort the cards using the Evidence Criterion: More detailed observations provide stronger evidence.

Do: Use the strongest piece of evidence to decide if these two samples are the same substance.

Based on the strongest pieces of evidence on your Evidence Gradient, which claim about the two samples do you think is best supported? (check one)

☐ Samples 1 and 2 are the same substance.

☐ Samples 1 and 2 are different substances.

Explain how the strongest pieces of evidence support your claim.

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Homework: Comparing Different Substances at Home

Look at the substances listed below. Pick two different substances that you have at home and observe them. Then, list the substances you selected and record their properties in the table. After you have completed the table, answer the questions below.

- wood
- plastic
- rubber
- cotton
- wool
- water
- metal
- honey
- leather
- paper
- milk
- glass
- sugar
- clay
- soap

### Observations

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<th>Substance 2:</th>
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What properties do both substances have in common?

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What properties make the two substances different?

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Lesson 1.4: “Atomic Zoom-In”

You’ve learned that observing properties is useful in telling different substances apart, but why do substances have different properties anyway? Today, you will begin to investigate this question by watching a video and reading an article about atoms, the tiny pieces of matter that make up everything.

Unit Question

• How do new substances form?

Chapter 1 Question

• What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Key Concepts

• Different substances have different properties.

Vocabulary

• atoms
• property
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools

• Scale Tool
Warm-Up

The image below shows water and oil, which are two different substances with different properties.

List one property that water and oil do not share.
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Why do you think water and oil have different properties? List your ideas below.
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Reading “Atomic Zoom-In”

1. Read and annotate the article “Atomic Zoom-In.”
2. Choose and mark annotations to discuss with your partner. Once you have discussed these annotations, mark them as discussed.
3. Now, choose and mark a question or connection, either one you already discussed or a different one you still want to discuss with the class.
4. Answer the reflection question below.

Rate how successful you were at using Active Reading skills by responding to the following statement:

As I read, I paid attention to my own understanding and recorded my thoughts and questions.

☐ Never
☐ Almost never
☐ Sometimes
☐ Frequently/often
☐ All the time

Active Reading Guidelines

1. Think carefully about what you read. Pay attention to your own understanding.
2. As you read, annotate the text to make a record of your thinking. Highlight challenging words and add notes to record questions and make connections to your own experience.
3. Examine all visual representations carefully. Consider how they go together with the text.
4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Homework: Rewatching *Everything Is Made of Atoms*

1. Rewatch the *Everything Is Made of Atoms* video in Digital Resources.
2. Open the Scale Tool and find an atom.
3. Answer the question below.

Why can’t you see individual atoms without special tools?

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Lesson 1.5: Investigating Atoms and Properties

Now that you know that atoms make up all matter in the universe, it’s time to investigate how atoms are related to the properties of substances we can observe. Today, you will explore a digital simulation that models substances at a scale our eyes simply cannot see. You’ll then revisit the “Atomic Zoom-In” article and use it to help you determine why different substances have different properties. As student chemists, you will need to use more than just your senses to understand how and why substances are different.

Unit Question

• How do new substances form?

Chapter 1 Question

• What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Key Concepts

• Different substances have different properties.

Vocabulary

• atoms
• model
• property
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools

• Chemical Reactions Simulation
Warm-Up

Two of the samples you observed during a previous lesson are shown below with the group of atoms that repeat to make up each sample. Take a look at the samples and the groups of atoms using the atom key as a guide. Then, answer the questions below.

Sample 1

Sample 2

Based on this information, do you think samples 1 and 2 share all the same properties? (check one)

☐ yes

☐ no

Explain your answer.

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Investigating Substances in the Sim

Part 1: Introducing the *Chemical Reactions* Simulation

Launch the *Chemical Reactions* Simulation. As you explore the Sim, discuss the following questions with your partner:

- What do you notice about the different substances in Chemical Stockroom mode?
- How is observing substances in this mode different from observing substances in real life?
- What questions do you have about this mode?

Part 2: Using the Chemical Stockroom to Compare Samples

With your partner, compare the atomic-scale models of the three samples shown below. Discuss how these models are similar and how they are different. Choose the claim about the samples you think fits best. Then, use the *Chemical Reactions* Simulation to gather evidence about these claims. When you are ready, answer the questions below.

Based on the atomic-scale models of the samples, which of the following claims do you think is best? (check one)

□ **Claim 1**: All three samples have the same properties. Therefore, they are the same substance.

□ **Claim 2**: Two samples have the same properties. Therefore, they are the same substance. However, one sample has a different set of properties. Therefore, this sample is a different substance.

□ **Claim 3**: All three samples have different properties. Therefore, they are different substances.
Investigating Substances in the Sim (continued)

Find the substances represented by these models in the Chemical Stockroom mode of the Sim. Observe their properties. Then, answer the questions below.

Does the evidence from the Sim support the claim that you chose?

☐ yes
☐ no

What evidence did you find in the Sim to support your answer?

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Based on my observations in the Sim, I think:

a. Sample 1 and sample 2 are (check one)
   ☐ the same substance with the same properties.
   ☐ different substances with different properties.

b. Sample 1 and sample 3 are (check one)
   ☐ the same substance with the same properties.
   ☐ different substances with different properties.

c. Sample 2 and sample 3 are (check one)
   ☐ the same substance with the same properties.
   ☐ different substances with different properties.
Second Read of “Atomic Zoom-In”

You are investigating the question: Why do different substances have different properties?

Reread the passage “How Atoms Make Your Orange Juice Smell Good and Your Socks Smell Bad” in the “Atomic Zoom-In” article. Also, review the diagrams associated with this text, gathering evidence about the Investigation Question. Then, use the evidence you gathered from the excerpt and diagrams to answer the question below.

How do the types and numbers of atoms that repeat to make up a substance affect its properties?

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Homework: Modeling Samples in the Lab

In her lab, Dr. Yung has two samples that are both made up of hydrogen (H) and carbon (C) atoms. Some of the properties of each sample and a model of the repeating group of atoms that make up sample 1 are shown on the next page.

Use the Modeling Tool: Two Samples at the Atomic Scale student sheet on the next page to create a model that represents a repeating group of atoms that could make up sample 2. Follow the instructions below.

**Goal:** Create a model that represents a repeating group of atoms that could make up sample 2.

**Do:**
- For sample 2, draw a possible atomic-scale model.
- Optional: Color in the key and the atoms that make up samples 1 and 2 using the colors indicated on the atom key.

**Tips:**
- Refer to properties of each sample provided.
- There is more than one possible answer.
Modeling Tool: Two Samples at the Atomic Scale

**Goal:** Create a model that represents a repeating group of atoms that could make up sample 2.

**Sample 1**
Made of: hydrogen (H) and carbon (C)
Smell: odorless
Boils at: -164°C
Looks like: colorless gas

Repeating group of atoms:

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  H
 /|
 / |
 /  |
 C
 /|
 / |
 /  |
  H
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**Sample 2**
Made of: hydrogen (H) and carbon (C)
Smell: similar to gasoline
Boils at: 36°C
Looks like: colorless liquid

Repeating group of atoms:

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  H
 /|
 / |
 /  |
 C
 /|
 / |
 /  |
  H
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**Key**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Atom Name</th>
<th>Color in model</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>hydrogen</td>
<td>white</td>
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<tr>
<td>carbon</td>
<td>black</td>
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Lesson 1.6: Identifying the Reddish-Brown Substance

The people of Westfield are waiting anxiously for you to identify the mysterious reddish-brown substance in their water. Today, you will have a chance to review what you’ve learned during this chapter by discussing it with your fellow student chemists. You will then get some new information about the mysterious reddish-brown substance from Dr. Yung, which you will use to write an explanation to the people of Westfield. The identity of the reddish-brown substance in the water won’t stay a mystery for much longer!

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 1 Question
• What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Key Concepts
• Different substances have different properties.
• Things that are too small (or too large) to see can be studied with models.
• Substances have different properties because they are made of different groups of atoms. These groups vary in the type or number of atoms that make up the group.
• Groups of atoms repeat to make up a substance.

Vocabulary
• atoms
• element
• model
• property
• scale
• substance
Warm-Up

Below are atomic-scale models of two different substances. Use the terms in the word bank to label these models. Use each of the terms only once.

Word Bank

atom  repeating atom group  extended structure  molecules
Word Relationships

With your partner, use the Word Relationships Cards to create sentences that answer the Investigation Question: Why do different substances have different properties?

• Use at least two words from the Word Relationships Cards in each sentence. Take turns as both the speaker and the listener.

• You and your partner may use the same word more than once. Try to use all the vocabulary words.

• There are many different sentences that could help to answer the Investigation Question. You and your partner will need to create multiple sentences in order to answer the question completely.

Word Bank

<table>
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<th>atoms</th>
<th>model</th>
<th>property</th>
<th>substance</th>
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Identifying the Reddish-Brown Substance

Part 1: Reviewing the Evidence

Go to pages 8–9 in your Investigation Notebook to review the properties of the pipes, the fertilizer, and the reddish-brown substance that you observed at the beginning of Chapter 1. With a partner discuss these observations and which claim is best supported by the evidence. Then, answer the question below.

Chapter 1 Question: What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Based on the evidence, which claim about the reddish-brown substance is best supported? (check one)

☐ Claim 1: The reddish-brown substance is the same as the substance that makes up the pipes.
☐ Claim 2: The reddish-brown substance is the same substance as the fertilizer.
☐ Claim 3: The reddish-brown substance is not the same as either the fertilizer or the substance that makes up the pipes.

Complete the following sentence based on the claim you chose:

The group of atoms that repeats to make up the reddish-brown substance . . . (check one)

☐ could be the same as the substance that makes up the pipes.
☐ could be the same as the fertilizer.
☐ could not be the same as either the fertilizer or the substance that makes up the pipes.
Identifying the Reddish-Brown Substance (continued)

Part 2: Examining Atomic-Scale Models

After analyzing the samples, Dr. Yung was able to model the atoms and groups of atoms that repeat to make up the pipe, the fertilizer, and the reddish-brown substance. Examine these models and use the discussion questions to discuss them with your partner. Then, choose the claim you think is best supported.

Discussion Questions

- How are these models different from real life?
- What information do these models give you that you cannot get by just observing the substances?
- Do these models support the same claim as the observations you made?

Based on this evidence, which claim about the reddish-brown substance is best supported? (check one)

☐ **Claim 1**: The reddish-brown substance is the same as the substance that makes up the pipes.

☐ **Claim 2**: The reddish-brown substance is the same substance as the fertilizer.

☐ **Claim 3**: The reddish-brown substance is not the same as either the fertilizer or the substance that makes up the pipes.

Atom Key

- Fe: iron
- Na: sodium
- N: nitrogen
- O: oxygen
Identifying the Reddish-Brown Substance (continued)

Part 3: Writing to the People of Westfield

Dr. Yung wants you to explain what the reddish-brown substance is to the people of Westfield. As you write your argument, remember to:

• state your claim about the identity of the reddish-brown substance.
• use evidence from both your observations and the atomic-scale models to support your claim.
• include the vocabulary words listed below in your argument.

Chapter 1 Question: What is the reddish-brown substance in the water?

Claim 1: The reddish-brown substance is the same as the substance that makes up the pipes.

Claim 2: The reddish-brown substance is the same substance as the fertilizer.

Claim 3: The reddish-brown substance is not the same as either the fertilizer or the substance that makes up the pipes.

Word Bank

| atom | model | property | substance |

Write an argument for the people of Westfield identifying the reddish-brown substance.

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Homework: Revising an Explanation

Once you have finished writing your argument, go back and read it again. Try reading your argument out loud or asking another person to read it. Then, use the revision checklist below to see whether or not there are any changes you can make to improve the writing in your argument.

Revision Checklist

1. Did you clearly state a claim about the identity of the reddish-brown substance? (check one)
   □ yes □ no

2. Did you provide evidence from your observations that supports your claim? (check one)
   □ yes □ no

3. Did you provide evidence from the atomic-scale models that supports your claim? (check one)
   □ yes □ no

4. Did you thoroughly explain how these pieces of evidence support your claim? (check one)
   □ yes □ no

5. If you answered “no” to any of these questions, revise your writing to make it clearer and more convincing. If you need to, rewrite your argument below.

Write an argument for the people of Westfield identifying the reddish-brown substance.

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Homework: Check Your Understanding

This is a chance to reflect on your learning so far. This is not a test. Be open and truthful when you respond to the questions below.

Scientists investigate in order to figure things out. Am I getting closer to figuring out what made the water in Westfield turn reddish-brown?

1. I understand how to tell if the reddish-brown substance is the same as or different from the pipe and fertilizer. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

2. I understand how the reddish-brown substance formed. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

3. I understand why there might be something else in the water besides the reddish-brown substance. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

4. What do you still wonder about how substances form?

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Chapter 2: Reactions

Chapter Overview

Now that you have identified the reddish-brown substance as rust, the people of Westfield want to know how rust formed in their water pipes. It is your job to explain how and why the rust ended up in Westfield’s water. To do this, you’ll need to figure out how substances form and whether one substance can change into another.
Lesson 2.1: Investigating Substance Changes

Now that you have identified the mysterious reddish-brown substance as rust, the people of Westfield need to know how the rust in their water formed. Could either the iron pipes or the fertilizer have changed into the rust found in Westfield’s water? Today, you will begin to investigate this question by gathering evidence from a hands-on activity and Simulation, determining whether it is possible for substances to change into other substances.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 2 Question
• How did the rust form?

Vocabulary
• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools
• Chemical Reactions Simulation
Warm-Up

Read the below message. Then, answer the questions that follow.

To: Student Chemists  
From: Dr. Samara Yung, Lead Chemist  
Subject: Water Crisis in Westfield

You did a nice job in identifying the mysterious substance as rust! The people of Westfield are very grateful for your explanation. However, they now want to know where the rust came from and how it got into their water.

Rust can form naturally over time when iron is exposed to water or air. I looked at another neighborhood that uses a similar well system to see if they have rust in their water, too. However, none of the neighbors reported a problem with rusty water. I also didn’t find any fertilizer in the water sample I took from their well. It seems something unusual is causing the rust to form in Westfield’s pipes.

I need you to keep investigating how the rust formed. Before you get started, here are three claims for you to consider:

• Claim 1: The iron pipes changed into rust.
• Claim 2: The fertilizer changed into rust.
• Claim 3: The iron pipes and the fertilizer changed into rust.

Good luck! The people of Westfield are waiting for an answer.

Which of Dr. Yung’s claims seems the most likely to you right now? (check one)

☐ Claim 1: The iron pipes changed into rust.
☐ Claim 2: The fertilizer changed into rust.
☐ Claim 3: The iron pipes and the fertilizer changed into rust.
Investigating Substance Changes

Safety Note: Using Chemicals

Do not taste or touch the substances in the investigation. Remember to mix substances only when your teacher prompts you to do so. Use safety goggles as directed by your teacher. If the substances get on your skin or clothes, rinse the substance off with water for several minutes. If you get a substance in your eyes, rinse your eyes with water for 15 minutes.

Chemical Warning

The Chemical Reactions kit contains chemicals that may be harmful if misused. Read cautions on individual containers carefully. These chemicals are not to be used without adult supervision. Chemicals used in this activity are:

- Calcium chloride (CaCl₂)
- Sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃)

Look at the Safety Guidelines on page 1 before you begin your investigation.

Investigation Question: Can substances change into different substances? (check one)

☐ yes
☐ no
Investigating Substance Changes (continued)

Complete this hands-on activity as you begin to investigate the question: *Can substances change into different substances?*

**Preparation**
1. Put on your safety goggles.
2. Familiarize yourself with the materials on your tray.

**Initial Observations**
3. Do not mix any liquids yet. Never taste or smell anything.
4. Record the properties of each substance in the data table below. **Reminder:** Properties are things such as color, texture, and phase at room temperature.

**Combining Substances**
5. Slowly pour the entire contents of each cup into the cup labeled “product.”
6. Do not stir the product. It’s important that you not move the cup.
7. Observe what happens in the product cup for at least one minute.
8. Record the properties of the substance or substances inside the product cup.

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<td>Substance 1: calcium chloride (CaCl₂), dissolved in water</td>
<td>Substance 2: sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃), dissolved in water</td>
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What happened when you combined the two substances together in the cup? (check one)

- [ ] The substances changed into different substances.
- [ ] The substances did not change into different substances.
- [ ] I am not sure if the substances changed into different substances.
Mixing Substances in the Sim

Part 1: Exploring Laboratory A Mode
Launch the *Chemical Reactions* Sim. As you explore Laboratory A mode, discuss the following questions with your partner:

- What can you do with different substances in Laboratory A mode?
- What details can you observe about the substances in Laboratory A mode?
- When you review the test results at the end, what other features do you notice?
- What questions do you have about Laboratory A mode?

Part 2: Mixing Substances in the Sim
With a partner, gather evidence by observing what happens when you mix two substances together in the Sim. The two substances are the same two substances you mixed together in the investigation earlier in this lesson. Look for additional evidence that will help you to answer the Investigation Question: *Can substances change into different substances?*

1. In Laboratory A mode, press the Add Substance button and choose calcium chloride ($\text{CaCl}_2$).
2. Press the Add Substance button and choose sodium carbonate ($\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$).
3. Press TEST and observe what happens.
4. Press RESULTS and examine the results.
5. Press REVIEW and compare the substances at the Test Start and Test End.
6. Turn on View Atomic Scale and View Properties toggles.
7. Use evidence from the final review screen to help you answer the questions below.

What happened when you combined the two substances together in the cup? (check one)

- [ ] The substances changed into different substances.
- [ ] The substances did not change into different substances.
- [ ] I am not sure if the substances changed into different substances.
Mixing Substances in the Sim (continued)

Explain your answer using evidence from the Sim.

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Reflecting on the Investigation Question

Based on the evidence you collected in the hands-on activity and the Sim, answer the Investigation Question. Then, answer the discussion questions by sharing your supporting evidence with your partner.

*Can substances change into different substances?* (check one)

☐ yes
☐ no

**Discussion Questions**

- What evidence did you gather from the hands-on investigation that supports your claim?
- What evidence did you gather from the Sim investigation that supports your claim?
Homework: Reading “Synthetic Materials: Making Substances in the Lab”

To learn how scientists apply their knowledge of substances at the atomic scale to create synthetic materials, read and annotate the “Synthetic Materials: Making Substances in the Lab” article. Then, answer the questions below.

How are synthetic substances made?

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At the atomic level, are synthetic medicines different from natural medicines? Explain your answer.

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Why is it useful to be able to produce synthetic medicines?

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Active Reading Guidelines

1. Think carefully about what you read. Pay attention to your own understanding.
2. As you read, annotate the text to make a record of your thinking. Highlight challenging words and add notes to record questions and make connections to your own experience.
3. Examine all visual representations carefully. Consider how they go together with the text.
4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Lesson 2.2: Explaining Chemical Reactions

You’ve discovered that substances can change into different substances during chemical reactions, but what actually happens during a chemical reaction? How do substances change into different substances? What do the starting substances (reactants) have to do with the ending substances (products)? In order to understand how the rust formed in their water, the people of Westfield need you to help them answer these questions. In this lesson, you will get one step closer to answering these questions by observing chemical reactions in the Sim and using tokens to investigate chemical reactions.

Unit Question
- How do new substances form?

Chapter 2 Question
- How did the rust form?

Key Concepts
- During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).

Vocabulary
- atoms
- chemical reaction
- model
- product
- property
- reactant
- rearrange
- scale
- substance

Digital Tools
- Chemical Reactions Simulation
- Optional: Chemical Reactions Sorting Tool activity: Digital Token Model
Warm-Up

In the last lesson, Dr. Yung presented three claims about how the rust in Westfield’s water might have formed:

**Claim 1:** The iron pipes changed into rust.

**Claim 2:** The fertilizer changed into rust.

**Claim 3:** The iron pipes and the fertilizer changed into rust.

You have already observed that when two substances are mixed together, a chemical reaction can change them into different substances. Now, use the Sim to test whether or not a chemical reaction can happen with only one substance.

1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select water (H$_2$O). Do not add a second substance.
3. Press TEST and observe what happens.
4. After testing, use evidence from the final review screen to help you answer the question below.

Can a chemical reaction happen with only one substance? (check one)

☐ yes
☐ no
Finding Chemical Reactions

With a partner, complete the Sim mission below to help answer the Investigation Question: *How do substances change into different substances during chemical reactions?* As you work, remember to use the key concept: *During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).*

**Mission:** Find two substances that react when mixed together and two substances that do not react when mixed together.

1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select two substances of your choice.
3. Press TEST, then press RESULTS, then press REVIEW.
4. With your partner, discuss whether or not a chemical reaction occurred.
5. Carefully rewatch the atomic-scale animation.
   - If a chemical reaction occurred, answer question 1 below. If a chemical reaction did not occur, answer question 2 below.
6. Repeat the above steps with different substances until you have found two substances that react and two that do not react.
7. When you have finished your tests, answer question 3 below.

**Question 1:** When a chemical reaction occurs, what happens to the atoms of the two substances?

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**Question 2:** When a chemical reaction does not occur, what happens to the atoms of the two substances?

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**Question 3:** Did any of the atoms ever change type? (check one)

☐ yes  
☐ no
Explaining Chemical Reactions

You are about to receive a Chemical Reaction Card as well as tokens that represent the different atoms in the reaction.

1. Examine the chemical reaction on your card to see which reactants and products are involved.
2. On your card, use the tokens to build the reactants.
3. Then, show your partner how the reactants become the products in your chemical reaction.
4. Answer the Investigation Question by using the tokens and the vocabulary words shown below to explain to your partner what is happening in your chemical reaction.

**Investigation Question:** How do substances change into different substances during chemical reactions?

**Word Bank**

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<th>atom</th>
<th>chemical reaction</th>
<th>model</th>
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Homework: Finding Single-Substance Reactions in the Sim

Mission: Find a chemical reaction that happens with only one substance.

1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select one substance (other than water). Do not add a second substance.
3. Observe the Sim test to determine whether or not a chemical reaction occurred.
4. If a chemical reaction did occur, answer the question below.
5. If a chemical reaction did not occur, repeat with a different substance until you have observed a chemical reaction.

When a chemical reaction occurs with only one substance, what happens to the atoms of that substance?

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Lesson 2.3: Explaining How the Rust Formed

The people of Westfield know there is rust in their water, but they still don’t know how it formed. In this lesson, you will answer this question for them, using what you have learned about chemical reactions to evaluate the three claims presented by Dr. Yung. Once you have chosen a claim, you will create a visual model of how the rust formed. This model will help you write to the people of Westfield, explaining how the rust in their water formed.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 2 Question
• How did the rust form?

Key Concepts
• During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).
• During a chemical reaction, atoms do not change from one type to another.
• During a chemical reaction, atoms rearrange to form different groups of atoms.

Vocabulary
• atoms • product • rearrange
• chemical reaction • property • scale
• model • reactant • substance

Digital Tools
• Optional: Chemical Reactions Sorting Tool activity: Digital Token Model
Warm-Up

It is almost time to explain to the people of Westfield how the rust in their water formed. What have you learned so far about how new substances form? List your ideas below.

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Testing the Claims

With a partner, use the tokens to test each of Dr. Yung's three claims. Discuss whether the atoms of the substance or substances in each claim could possibly rearrange to form rust. Then, record which of the claims you think is possible.

Claim 1: The iron pipes changed into rust. (check one)

☐ A chemical reaction of the iron pipes could form rust
☐ A chemical reaction of the iron pipes could not form rust.

Claim 2: The fertilizer changed into rust. (check one)

☐ A chemical reaction of the fertilizer could form rust.
☐ A chemical reaction of the fertilizer could not form rust.

Claim 3: The iron pipes and the fertilizer changed into rust. (check one)

☐ A chemical reaction of the iron pipes and fertilizer could form rust.
☐ A chemical reaction of the iron pipes and fertilizer could not form rust.
Modeling How the Rust Formed

Use the directions below and complete the Modeling Tool activity: How the Rust Formed on the next page to help you explain to the people of Westfield how the rust in their water formed.

Goal: Show how the iron pipes and fertilizer changed into rust.

Do:
- In the Before space, draw the iron pipes and fertilizer before they changed into rust.
- In the After space, draw the rust.
- In the During the change space, draw or describe how the iron pipes and fertilizer changed into rust.
- Label your model or create a key.

Tips:
- Use the Substance Reference Guide if you need to.
- You can draw more than one repeating group of atoms for a substance if needed.

Substance Reference Guide

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<tr>
<th>iron pipes</th>
<th>fertilizer</th>
<th>rust</th>
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<td>repeating atom: Fe</td>
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<td>repeating group of atoms: Fe₂O₃</td>
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Atom Key

Fe iron Na sodium N nitrogen O oxygen
Modeling Tool: How the Rust Formed

**Goal:** Make a model that explains how the iron pipes and fertilizer changed into rust.

**Before**

Draw the iron pipes and fertilizer before they changed into rust.

**During the change**

Describe or draw how the iron pipes and fertilizer changed into rust.

**After**

Draw the rust.

Key
Writing to Westfield

Use the model you created to help you write an argument for the people of Westfield in which you support a claim about how the rust in their water formed. As you write your argument, remember to:

- State your claim about how the rust formed.
- Use evidence from the token activity to support your claim.
- Include vocabulary terms from the word bank below in your argument.

Chapter 2 Question: How did the rust form?

Claim 1: The iron pipes changed into rust.
Claim 2: The fertilizer changed into rust.
Claim 3: The iron pipes and the fertilizer changed into rust.

Word Bank

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Explain to the people of Westfield how the rust in their water formed.

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Homework: Revising an Argument

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Revision Checklist

1. Did you clearly state a claim about how the rust formed? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

2. Did you provide evidence from the token activity that supports your claim? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

3. Did you thoroughly explain how the evidence supports your claim? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

If you answered no to any of these questions, revise your writing to make it clearer and more convincing. If you need to, rewrite your argument.

Explain to the people of Westfield how the rust in their water formed.

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Homework: Reading “Meet a Scientist Who Preserves Artwork”

You have used your knowledge of chemical reactions to figure out what is going on with Westfield’s water. To learn about a scientist who uses chemical reactions in her work, read and annotate the “Meet a Scientist Who Preserves Artwork” article. Then, answer the question below.

What is one interesting thing you learned from this article?

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4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Lesson 2.5: Reflecting on Chemical Reactions

One of Dr. Yung’s students, Lee, has been doing some experiments in the lab. He ended up with some surprising results; however, Lee isn’t quite sure what happened. Lee is asking for help from student chemists. With your knowledge of substances, atoms, and chemical reactions, he thinks you will be able to help him explain what is going on. Are you up for the challenge?

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 2 Question
• How did the rust form?

Key Concepts
• Different substances have different properties.
• Things that are too small (or too large) to see can be studied with models.
• Substances have different properties because they are made of different groups of atoms. These groups vary in the type or number of atoms that make up the group.
• Groups of atoms repeat to make up a substance.
• During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).
• During a chemical reaction, atoms do not change from one type to another.
• During a chemical reaction, atoms rearrange to form different groups of atoms.

Vocabulary
• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools
• Chemical Reactions Simulation
Green Group: Warm-Up

Lee, a student working with Dr. Yung, has been conducting some experiments. He combined sodium and hydrogen chloride and ended up with some interesting results. He would like to explain the experiment to his classmates, but he does not understand what happened. Can you help Lee?

In a few minutes, you will see a video of what happened when Lee combined two substances. Images of the starting substances are shown below. Before you watch the video, examine these images and write detailed observations about the properties of each substance. **Remember:** A property is something that can be observed about a substance, such as color, smell, or boiling point.

Observe the image of sodium. List the properties you see.

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Observe the image of hydrogen chloride. List the properties you see.

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Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment

Part 1: Making Detailed Observations

Below are images of sodium and hydrogen chloride before they were mixed together. There is also an image of the results, which was taken after sodium and hydrogen chloride were mixed together.

1. With a partner, compare the properties of sodium and hydrogen chloride you observed during the Warm-Up.
2. Work together to observe the results image. Record the properties you see.
3. Then, answer the questions below.

Remember: Different substances have different properties.

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<th>List the properties you see for hydrogen chloride:</th>
<th>List the properties you see for the results:</th>
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Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Based on these properties, how many different substances were involved in the video? (check one)

☐ one substance
☐ two substances
☐ three substances
☐ more than three substances

Use the properties you observed to explain your answer.

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Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 2: Thinking About the Experiment at the Atomic Scale

Although you couldn’t see them, all the substances in the video (the sodium, hydrogen chloride, and the results) are made up of atoms. Models of repeating atoms or repeating groups of atoms that make up the sodium, the hydrogen chloride, and the results are shown below.

1. With a partner, examine the atomic-scale models shown below.
2. Then, answer the questions.

Remember:

• Substances have different properties because they are made of different groups of atoms. These groups vary in the type or number of atoms that make up the group.

• Groups of atoms repeat to make up a substance.

Based on the groups of atoms shown above, how many different substances were involved in the video? (check one)

☐ one substance  ☐ three substances
☐ two substances  ☐ more than three substances
Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Explain your answer.

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What do the atomic-scale models show you that your observations of properties cannot?
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Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 3: Investigating the Experiment in the Sim

Based on your observations of properties and the atomic-scale models, you may have noticed that when Lee combined the sodium and hydrogen chloride, these two substances, called the reactants, changed into two different substances: the products. How is that possible?

You may realize that what happened in the video is called a chemical reaction. You will now use the Sim to further explore this chemical reaction.
1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select sodium (Na) and hydrogen chloride (HCl). Then, press TEST.
3. Watch the atomic-scale animation, replaying if necessary. Press RESULTS. Then, press REVIEW.
4. Discuss the question below with a partner.

Remember:
• During a chemical reaction, atoms do not change from one type to another.
• During a chemical reaction, atoms rearrange to form different groups of atoms.

Note: You may notice that hydrogen chloride appears as a gas in the Sim and as a liquid in the video. This is because the hydrogen chloride in the video was dissolved in water. The chemist did this to make it easier to mix the substances together. The water will not affect the reaction.

Discuss the following with your partner: How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into two different substances?
Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 4: Using Tokens to Explain the Experiment

You now know that the Sodium and Hydrogen Chloride video showed a chemical reaction. Two substances, sodium and hydrogen chloride, changed into two different substances, hydrogen and sodium chloride. You observed this reaction in the video and in the Sim. Now it is time to explain this reaction to Lee, so he can tell his classmates what happened.

1. Using the tokens provided by your teacher, build the reactants from this experiment.
2. Then, use the same tokens used for the reactants to build the products.
3. As you build the products, discuss the following question with a partner: How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into different substances?
4. Use the following vocabulary words in your discussion: atom, chemical reaction, products, reactants, and rearrange.

Note: You may notice that more than one atom of sodium and more than one group of hydrogen chloride is needed for this reaction.
Green Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into two different substances? (Be sure to use key concepts and provide examples from the Sim or the token activity in your explanation.)

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Purple Group: Warm-Up

Lee, a student working with Dr. Yung, has been conducting some experiments. He combined sodium and hydrogen chloride and ended up with some interesting results. He would like to explain the experiment to his classmates, but he does not understand what happened. Can you help Lee?

In a few minutes, you will see a video of what happened when Lee combined two substances. Images of the starting substances are shown below. Before you watch the video, examine these images and write detailed observations about the properties of each substance. Remember: A property is something that can be observed about a substance, such as color, smell, or boiling point.

Observe the image of sodium. List the properties you see.

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Observe the image of hydrogen chloride. List the properties you see.

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Purple Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment

Part 1: Making Detailed Observations

Below are images of sodium and hydrogen chloride before they were mixed together. There is also an image of the results, which was taken after sodium and hydrogen chloride were mixed together.

1. With a partner, compare the properties of sodium and hydrogen chloride you observed during the Warm-Up.
2. Work together to observe the results image. Record the properties you see.
3. Then, answer the questions below.

**Remember:** During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).

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Purple Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Do you think a chemical reaction occurred? Use your observations to explain your answer.
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Part 2: Thinking About the Experiment at the Atomic Scale

In order to know what really happened during Lee’s experiment, we need to look at the atomic scale. Models of repeating atoms or repeating groups of atoms that make up the sodium, the hydrogen chloride, and the results are shown on the next page.

1. With a partner, examine the atomic-scale models shown on the next page.
2. Then, answer the questions.

Remember: During a chemical reaction, one or more starting substances (reactants) change into one or more different substances (products).
Do you think a chemical reaction occurred? Use the atomic-scale models to explain your answer.

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What do the atomic-scale models show you that your observations of properties cannot?

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Purple Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 3: Investigating the Experiment in the Sim

Based on your observations of properties and the atomic-scale models, you may have noticed that when Lee combined the sodium and hydrogen chloride, these two substances, called the reactants, changed into two different substances: the products. How is that possible?

You may realize that what happened in the video is called a chemical reaction. You will now use the Sim to further explore this chemical reaction.

1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select sodium (Na) and hydrogen chloride (HCl). Then, press TEST.
3. Watch the atomic-scale animation, replaying if necessary. Press RESULTS. Then, press REVIEW.
4. Discuss the question below with a partner.

Remember:
- During a chemical reaction, atoms do not change from one type to another.
- During a chemical reaction, atoms rearrange to form different groups of atoms.

Note: You may notice that hydrogen chloride appears as a gas in the Sim and as a liquid in the video. This is because the hydrogen chloride in the video was dissolved in water. The chemist did this to make it easier to mix the substances together. The water will not affect the reaction.

Discuss the following with your partner: How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into two different substances?
Purple Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 4: Using Tokens to Explain the Experiment

You now know that the Sodium and Hydrogen Chloride video showed a chemical reaction. Two substances, sodium and hydrogen chloride, changed into two different substances, hydrogen and sodium chloride. You observed this reaction in the video and in the Sim. Now it is time to explain this reaction to Lee, so he can tell his classmates what happened.

1. Using the tokens provided by your teacher, build the reactants from this experiment.
2. Then, use the same tokens used for the reactants to build the products.
3. As you build the products, discuss the following question with a partner: How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into different substances?
4. Use the following vocabulary words in your discussion: atom, chemical reaction, products, reactants, and rearrange.

Note: You may notice that more than one atom of sodium and more than one group of hydrogen chloride is needed for this reaction.
Purple Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

How did sodium and hydrogen chloride change into two different substances? (Be sure to use key concepts and provide examples from the Sim or the token activity in your explanation.)

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Blue Group: Warm-Up

Lee and some other students working with Dr. Yung were conducting an experiment and ended up with some confusing results. In the experiment, each student combined sodium and hydrogen chloride, but, as shown in the table below, each student ended up with different results. Lee is trying to determine what happened.

In a few minutes, you will see a video of what happened when Lee combined two substances. Before you watch the video, see if you can predict why each student ended up with different results.

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Why do you think Vera and Domingo ended up with three substances after the chemical reaction while Lee only ended up with two?

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Blue Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment

Part 1: Exploring in Laboratory B Mode

Launch the Sim. Open Laboratory B mode and explore with your partner. Share what you both notice.

As you explore Laboratory B mode, discuss the following question with your partner: What can you do in this mode of the Sim that you could not do before?
Blue Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 2: Investigating the Experiment in the Sim

You may have already noticed that in Laboratory B mode you can change the amount of the starting substances. You can add twice (x2) the amount of one or both of the starting substances. Now, you will use this mode of the Sim to see if you can re-create Lee, Vera, and Domingo’s results from the Warm-Up.

**Mission:** Re-create Lee, Vera, and Domingo’s results.
1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory B mode.
2. Work with a partner to re-create Lee, Vera, and Domingo’s results. Use the data table on the next page as a reference.
3. Record how you accomplished each mission on the next page.

**Note:** You may notice that hydrogen chloride appears as a gas in the Sim and as a liquid in the video. This is because the hydrogen chloride in the video was dissolved in water. The chemist did this to make it easier to mix the substances together. The water will not affect the reaction.
Blue Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

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Explain how you re-created Lee’s results.

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Explain how you re-created Vera’s results.

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Explain how you re-created Domingo’s results.

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Blue Group: Analyzing the Results of the Experiment (continued)

Part 3: Explaining the Experiment

Below you will see an atomic-scale model of the reaction from Lee’s experiment. You will now use tokens to model how Vera and Domingo ended up with different results. Use your explanations from the Sim on page 76, if needed.

1. Using the tokens provided by your teacher, model the chemical reaction that produced Lee’s results.
2. Then, use the tokens to model the chemical reaction that produced Vera’s results.
3. Finally, use the tokens to model the chemical reaction that produced Domingo’s results.
4. Discuss the similarities and differences between these three chemical reactions.
5. In the space below, write an explanation that explains why Lee, Vera, and Domingo each ended up with different results.

Lee's Experiment

![Chemical Reaction Diagram]

Note: You may notice that more than one atom of sodium and more than one group of hydrogen chloride is needed for this reaction.

Explain why Lee, Vera, and Domingo all ended up with different results.
Homework: Reading “Endothermic and Exothermic Reactions”

How do instant cold packs get cold? Why are fires hot? To find out, read and annotate the “Endothermic and Exothermic Reactions” article. Then, answer the questions below.

What is the difference between an endothermic and an exothermic reaction?

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How does an instant cold pack get cold so quickly?

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Active Reading Guidelines

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2. As you read, annotate the text to make a record of your thinking. Highlight challenging words and add notes to record questions and make connections to your own experience.
3. Examine all visual representations carefully. Consider how they go together with the text.
4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Homework: Check Your Understanding

This is a chance to reflect on your learning so far. This is not a test. Be open and truthful when you respond to the questions below.

Scientists investigate in order to figure things out. Am I getting closer to figuring out what made the water in Westfield turn reddish-brown?

1. I understand how to tell if the reddish-brown substance is the same as or different from the pipe and fertilizer. (check one)
   
   □ yes
   □ not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

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2. I understand how the reddish-brown substance formed. (check one)
   
   □ yes
   □ not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

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3. I understand why there might be something else in the water besides the reddish-brown substance. (check one)
   
   □ yes
   □ not yet

   Explain your answer choice.

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4. What do you still wonder about how substances form?

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If the rust in Westfield’s water formed during a chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer, then could this chemical reaction have produced other substances as well? Before you can provide the people of Westfield with a complete answer, you’ll need to determine what can happen to the atoms of substances during a chemical reaction.
Lesson 3.1: “What Happens When Fuels Burn?”

You have now solved two mysteries for the people of Westfield. You identified the reddish-brown substance in their water as rust, and you also explained that it formed from a chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer. Now that the people of Westfield know that a chemical reaction produced the rust in their water, they are worried this reaction could have produced other substances. Today, you will begin your final investigation for the people of Westfield by watching a video and reading an article about what happens to atoms during a familiar type of chemical reaction: burning.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 3 Question
• What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer?

Vocabulary
• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance
Warm-Up

Read the message below and look at the diagram. Then, answer the question below.

To: Student Chemists  
From: Dr. Samara Yung, Lead Chemist  
Subject: One More Question

Thanks for your explanations. The people of Westfield now understand how the rust in their water could have formed from a chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer. However, before the townspeople can consider this mystery solved, they need to be certain that the chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer didn’t produce any other substances, in addition to the rust, which could be dangerous to drink. You’ve done a good job so far, so I’m assigning this final investigation to you.

Review the atomic-scale model below, which is similar to the model you created in Chapter 2. This model shows the chemical reaction that formed the rust. If there are any other substances in the water, you should be able to find some clues here.

Did all the atoms that made up both reactants (the iron pipe and the fertilizer) rearrange to form the product (rust)? (check one)

☐ yes  ☐ no
Reading “What Happens When Fuels Burn?”

1. Read and annotate the article “What Happens When Fuels Burn?”
2. Choose and mark annotations to discuss with your partner. Once you have discussed these annotations, mark them as discussed.
3. Now, choose and mark a question or connection, either one you already discussed or a different one you still want to discuss with the class.
4. Answer the reflection question below.

Rate how successful you were at using Active Reading skills by responding to the following statement:

As I read, I paid attention to my own understanding and recorded my thoughts and questions.

(check one)

☐ Never
☐ Almost never
☐ Sometimes
☐ Frequently/often
☐ All the time

Active Reading Guidelines

1. Think carefully about what you read. Pay attention to your own understanding.
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3. Examine all visual representations carefully. Consider how they go together with the text.
4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Lesson 3.2: Burning at the Atomic Scale

What happens to atoms during a chemical reaction? Today, you will continue to investigate this question by looking more closely at what happens to the atoms of a substance when the substance burns. By using the Sim to observe substances burning at the atomic scale, and by revisiting the “What Happens When Fuels Burn?” article, you will begin to determine what can and cannot happen to atoms during a chemical reaction.

Unit Question

• How do new substances form?

Chapter 3 Question

• What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer?

Vocabulary

• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools

• Chemical Reactions Simulation
Warm-Up

Examine the image your teacher is projecting. Think about the Burning Paper video you watched during the last lesson. Then, answer the questions below.

*What do you think happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns? (check one)*

- [ ] **Claim 1:** All of the atoms are destroyed.
- [ ] **Claim 2:** All of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.
- [ ] **Claim 3:** Some of the atoms are destroyed, and some of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

Explain why you chose your answer.

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Burning Fuel in the Sim

Remember that when we burn something, we are causing a chemical reaction to occur by mixing a substance with oxygen at a high temperature. With a partner, use the Sim to gather evidence about what happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns. This evidence will help you select one of the three claims listed below.

What happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns?

**Claim 1:** All of the atoms are destroyed.

**Claim 2:** All of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

**Claim 3:** Some of the atoms are destroyed, and some of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

1. Launch the Sim and open Laboratory A mode.
2. Press the Add Substance button and select hydrogen ($H_2$) and oxygen ($O_2$). Then, press TEST.
3. Watch the atomic-scale animation. Press RESULTS. Then, press REVIEW and discuss the final results with your partner.
4. Press RESET and repeat steps 2 and 3 for methane ($CH_4$) and oxygen ($O_2$).
5. When you are finished, answer the questions below.

Did you observe any evidence that atoms are destroyed as a substance burns? (check one)

☐ yes ☐ no

Explain your answer using observations from the Sim.

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Did you observe any evidence that atoms rearrange as a substance burns? (check one)

☐ yes ☐ no

Explain your answer using observations from the Sim.

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Second Read of the Fuel Article

One partner will read about ethanol (in the section labeled “Carbon-Containing Fuels”), and one partner will read about hydrogen fuel. If you have been assigned to read about hydrogen fuel, turn to the next page.

Reading About Carbon-Containing Fuels

Reread the “Carbon-Containing Fuels” section of “What Happens When Fuels Burn?” Review both the text and diagrams, collecting evidence about the three claims below. After you have reread the section, answer the question below the article. Then, use the partner discussion questions to share what you read with your partner.

What happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns?

**Claim 1:** All of the atoms are destroyed.

**Claim 2:** All of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

**Claim 3:** Some of the atoms are destroyed, and some of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

What happens to the atoms that make up ethanol as it burns?

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Partner Discussion Questions

What type of fuel did you read about?

What happens to the atoms of the fuel as it burns?

What are some similarities between burning ethanol and burning hydrogen fuel?

What are some differences between burning ethanol and burning hydrogen fuel?
Reading About Hydrogen Fuel

Reread the “Hydrogen Fuel” section of “What Happens When Fuels Burn?” Review both the text and diagrams, collecting evidence about the three claims below. After you have reread the section, answer the question below the article. Then, use the partner discussion questions to share what you read with your partner.

What happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns?

Claim 1: All of the atoms are destroyed.
Claim 2: All of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.
Claim 3: Some of the atoms are destroyed, and some of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.

What happens to the atoms that make up hydrogen fuel as it burns?

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Partner Discussion Questions

What type of fuel did you read about?

What happens to the atoms of the fuel as it burns?

What are some similarities between burning ethanol and burning hydrogen fuel?

What are some differences between burning ethanol and burning hydrogen fuel?
Sharing Evidence and Discussing Claims

With a partner, share the evidence you gathered from the Sim and the article about what happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns. Discuss which of the three claims you think is best supported by this evidence. Then, answer the question below.

Discuss the following with a partner: What evidence did you gather from the Sim and the article about what happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns?

What happens to the atoms of a substance when it burns? (check one)

- [ ] Claim 1: All of the atoms are destroyed.
- [ ] Claim 2: All of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.
- [ ] Claim 3: Some of the atoms are destroyed, and some of the atoms rearrange to form a different substance or different substances.
Homework: Critiquing a Model

Desiré was investigating a chemical reaction. When she heated it up, she found that sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄) changed into water (H₂O). She made the following atomic-scale model to show what she thinks happened.

![Model of sulfuric acid and water atoms](image)

Do you think this is a complete model of what happened during the chemical reaction? (check one)

☐ yes  ☐ no

Explain your answer. Describe why the model is either complete or incomplete.

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Lesson 3.3: Investigating How Products Form

From your investigations into burning substances, you have learned that atoms are not destroyed during a chemical reaction. But, can a chemical reaction create atoms? Today, you will examine a case in which one type of atom seems to have changed into a different type of atom. You will determine if such a chemical reaction is possible. By using tokens and talking to your fellow student chemists, you will investigate what actually happened during this chemical reaction.

Unit Question

• How do new substances form?

Chapter 3 Question

• What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer?

Key Concepts

• During a chemical reaction, all of the atoms that make up the reactants rearrange to form the products.

Vocabulary

• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance
Warm-Up

Jessie is a student chemist who assists Dr. Yung in her lab. While she was working, Jessie added some chlorine gas to a container she thought was empty. After Jessie added the chlorine gas, however, a solid, yellow substance formed in the container. Jessie tested the substance and identified it as sulfur. When Dr. Yung asked Jessie to explain what had happened in the container, she claimed that a chemical reaction had changed the chlorine into sulfur.

**Jessie’s Claim:** A chemical reaction changed the chlorine into sulfur.

Do you think that the container was actually empty before Jessie added the chlorine? (check one)

☐ yes  ☐ no

Do you think that Jessie’s claim is correct? (check one)

☐ yes  ☐ no

Explain why you think Jessie’s claim is either correct or incorrect.

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Investigating Jessie’s Claim

Part 1: Investigating the Claim

Dr. Yung told Jessie that she needed evidence to support her claim. When Jessie examined the contents of the container more closely, she realized that sulfur was not the only substance in the container. A colorless gas was also inside the container. Jessie moved this gas into a different container and tested it. She identified it as hydrogen chloride.

Procedure

1. With a partner, use tokens to build the two products Jessie discovered in the container.
2. Use the tokens from the two products to determine whether or not the container was actually empty before Jessie added the chlorine.
3. Discuss the following questions with your partner:
   • Was the container empty before Jessie added the chlorine? How can you tell?
   • Could the chlorine have changed into sulfur? Why or why not?
   • Could the chlorine have changed into hydrogen chloride? Why or why not?

Part 2: Identifying the Other Reactant

If the container was not empty when Jessie added the chlorine gas, then what could have been inside it? On the next page is an image showing the reaction inside the container. There is also a table that lists some of the substances that Dr. Yung keeps in her lab. The group of atoms that repeat to form each substance, as well as some of the properties of each substance, are included in the table.

Procedure

1. Use the tokens and the information in the table on the next page to determine what the other reactant inside the container could have been.
2. Once you have identified the other reactant, answer the questions below.

The other reactant inside the container was: (check one)

- iron sulfide (FeS)
- sodium sulfide (Na₂S)
- hydrogen (H₂)
- hydrogen sulfide (H₂S)
- sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄)
- sulfur dioxide (SO₂)
Investigating Jessie’s Claim (continued)

Explain your answer.

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<td>H H</td>
<td>colorless gas, odorless</td>
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<td>sodium sulfide (Na₂S)</td>
<td>Na S Na</td>
<td>yellow solid, smells strongly like rotten eggs</td>
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<td>hydrogen sulfide (H₂S)</td>
<td>H S H</td>
<td>colorless gas, smells strongly like rotten eggs</td>
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<td>sulfur dioxide (SO₂)</td>
<td>S O O</td>
<td>colorless gas, smells strongly like a burnt match</td>
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<td>sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄)</td>
<td>H O O O S O H</td>
<td>colorless liquid, odorless</td>
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Atom Key

- Cl: chlorine
- S: sulfur
- H: hydrogen
- Na: sodium
- Fe: iron
- O: oxygen
Word Relationships

With your partner, use the Word Relationships Cards to create sentences that answer the question:
What happened during the chemical reaction that caused the sulfur and hydrogen chloride to form?

- Use at least two words from the Word Relationships Cards in each sentence. Take turns as both the speaker and the listener.
- You and your partner may use the same word more than once. You do not need to use all the vocabulary words.
- There are many different ways to answer this question. You and your partner will need to create multiple sentences in order to answer the question completely.

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Homework: Reading “What Happens to Your Food?”

How does what you eat become part of your body? To find out, read and annotate the “What Happens to Your Food?” article. Then, answer the questions below.

After your body breaks food down, what are three things that can happen to the atoms from your food?

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Would you be able to get energy from food if there weren’t chemical reactions in your body?

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4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Lesson 3.4: What’s in Westfield’s Water?

It’s finally time to determine what was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer in Westfield. You already know that rust was produced, but was there anything else in Westfield’s water? Using new evidence from Dr. Yung and the ideas you have learned by investigating what happens to atoms during a chemical reaction, you will be able to solve this mystery and explain to the people of Westfield what happened to their water.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 3 Question
• What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer?

Key Concepts
• During a chemical reaction, all of the atoms that make up the reactants rearrange to form the products.
• During a chemical reaction, atoms cannot be created or destroyed.

Vocabulary
• atoms
• chemical reaction
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance

Digital Tools
• Optional: Chemical Reactions Sorting Tool activity: Digital Token Model
Warm-Up

The people of Westfield are still waiting on an answer to their question: What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer? To help answer this question, Dr. Yung has provided you with the atomic-scale model below. Examine this model and use it to answer the questions below.

What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer? (check one)

☐ **Claim 1**: During the chemical reaction, only the rust was produced.

☐ **Claim 2**: During the chemical reaction, the rust and another substance were produced.

Explain your answer.

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**Reactants**
- iron pipes (Fe)
- fertilizer (NaNO₃)

**Product**
- rust (Fe₂O₃)

**Atom Key**
- Fe: iron
- Na: sodium
- N: nitrogen
- O: oxygen
Identifying the Other Product

After running some more tests, Dr. Yung discovered another substance in Westfield’s water. Dr. Yung is not sure of the substance’s identity but has narrowed it down to two possibilities. Both of the two substances have similar properties. With a partner, use the atomic-scale models provided by Dr. Yung to determine the identity of this substance. Be sure to refer back to the diagram projected by your teacher to help you determine the identity of this substance. Then, discuss the questions below.

Based on these atomic-scale models, what other substance could be in the water besides rust? (check one)

☐ sodium nitrite (NaNO₂)
☐ potassium chromate (K₂CrO₄)
☐ both sodium nitrite (NaNO₂) and potassium chromate (K₂CrO₄)

Discussion Questions

• Which answer did you select and why?
• What information can you get from an atomic-scale model that you couldn’t get just by observing the properties of a substance?
• How are the atoms shown in the atomic-scale models above different from actual atoms?
Modeling the Products of the Reaction

Complete the Modeling Tool activity: Products of the Reaction on the next page to help you explain to the people of Westfield what is in their water.

**Goal:** Create a model that shows what was produced during the chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer.

**Do:**
- In the After space, draw an atomic-scale model of what was produced during the chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer.
- Color the atoms using the key found on your teacher’s screen.
- In the During the change space, describe or draw how the product or products were formed.

**Tips:**
- An atomic-scale model of the iron pipes and fertilizer is already shown.
- Use the Substance Reference Guide if you need to.
- You can draw more than one repeating group of atoms for a substance if needed.

**Substance Reference Guide**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>rust</th>
<th>sodium nitrite</th>
<th>potassium chromate</th>
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<td>repeating group of atoms ( \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 )</td>
<td>repeating group of atoms ( \text{NaNO}_2 )</td>
<td>repeating group of atoms ( \text{K}_2\text{CrO}_4 )</td>
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</table>

**Atom Key**

- **Fe** iron
- **K** potassium
- **Na** sodium
- **N** nitrogen
- **O** oxygen
- **Cr** chromium
Modeling Tool: Products of the Reaction

**Goal:** Create a model that shows what was produced during the chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer.

**Before**

- Fe
- Fe
- Na
- O
- O
- O
- Na
- O
- O
- Na
- O
- O

**After**

**During the change**

Describe or draw how the product or products were formed.

Draw an atomic-scale model of everything that was produced during the chemical reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer.
Writing to Westfield

Use the model you created to help you write an argument for the people of Westfield explaining what is in their water. As you write your argument, remember to

- state your claim and identify the substances in the water.
- use evidence from the model you created to support your claim.
- include vocabulary terms from the word bank below in your argument.

Chapter 3 Question: What was produced during the reaction between the iron pipes and the fertilizer?

Claim 1: During the chemical reaction, only the rust was produced.

Claim 2: During the chemical reaction, the rust and another substance were produced.

Word Bank

<table>
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<tr>
<th>atoms</th>
<th>chemical reaction</th>
<th>model</th>
<th>product</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>reactant</td>
<td>rearrange</td>
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Explain to the people of Westfield what is in their water.

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Homework: Revising a Report

Once you have finished writing your report, go back and read it again. Try reading your report out loud or asking another person to read it. Then, use the revision checklist below to see whether or not there are any changes you can make to improve the writing in your report.

Revision Checklist

1. Did you clearly state a claim and identify the substances that are in the water? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

2. Do you provide evidence from your Modeling Tool sheet that supports your claim? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

3. Do you thoroughly explain how the evidence supports your claim? (check one)
   - [ ] yes  [ ] no

If you answered no to any of these questions, revise your writing to make it clearer and more convincing. If you need to, rewrite your argument.

Explain to the people of Westfield what is in their water.

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Homework: Check Your Understanding

This is a chance to reflect on your learning so far. This is not a test. Be open and truthful when you respond to the questions below.

Scientists investigate in order to figure things out. Am I getting closer to figuring out what made the water in Westfield turn reddish-brown?

1. I understand how to tell if the reddish-brown substance is the same as or different from the pipe and fertilizer. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.
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2. I understand how the reddish-brown substance formed. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.
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3. I understand why there might be something else in the water besides the reddish-brown substance. (check one)
   - [ ] yes
   - [ ] not yet

   Explain your answer choice.
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4. What do you still wonder about how substances form?
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Chapter 4: Science Seminar
Chapter Overview

A diamond has been stolen from the Westfield Museum. At the scene of the crime, police discovered an unknown substance, which they believe the criminal used during the robbery. Now, Dr. Yung needs your knowledge of chemical reactions to help the police identify this unknown substance. They need your help in determining who might have used this substance to steal the diamond!
Lesson 4.1: Chemistry at the Crime Scene

Now that you’ve finished your investigation of Westfield’s water supply, Dr. Yung has a new case for you. There has been a robbery at the Westfield Museum. A thief used an unknown substance to steal a rare and expensive diamond. Your assignment is to use your knowledge of chemical reactions to identify the unknown substance and advise the police on who might have used that substance to steal the diamond.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 4 Question
• Who might have used the unknown substance to steal the diamond?

Key Concepts
• Different substances have different properties.
• Things that are too small (or too large) to see can be studied with models.
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Vocabulary
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• scale
• substance
Warm-Up

Respond to the question below.

What information might help a chemist identify an unknown substance?

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Identifying an Unknown Substance

To: Student Chemists
From: Dr. Samara Yung, Lead Chemist
Subject: Someone Stole the Lavoisier Diamond!

There’s been a robbery at the Westfield Museum! This morning, the museum staff discovered the rare and expensive Lavoisier Diamond was missing. When police arrived, they found a hole had been made in the glass display case where the diamond was stored. Next to the display case, they found a plastic container that was half full with an unknown substance. Police think that the thief may have used some of the substance to make a hole in the glass and may have accidentally left the rest of the substance behind.

The chief of police has asked me to help them identify this unknown substance and determine who could have used it to steal the Lavoisier Diamond. As you have recent experience in working with the community of Westfield, I am turning the case over to you. I hope you remember what you have learned so far about the chemical reactions. I think you will need to use your knowledge to help the police crack this case!
Identifying an Unknown Substance (continued)

Evaluating Observations of the Unknown Substance

There were four police officers at the crime scene. The officers wrote down their observations of the unknown substance that was used to make a hole in the glass.

1. With a partner, read the observations written down on the Unknown Substance Evidence Cards given to you by your teacher. Annotate the cards with any questions or ideas you have.

2. Discuss the cards with your partner and evaluate each observation using the Evidence Criterion included below.

3. Once you have evaluated each observation, place the cards on the Evidence Gradient sheet with the strongest pieces of evidence near the top and the less strong pieces of evidence near the bottom.

4. When you are finished, answer the questions below.

Evidence Criterion: More detailed observations provide stronger evidence.

Which officer provided the strongest evidence? (check one)

☐ Officer Hodges
☐ Officer Lee
☐ Officer Diaz
☐ Officer Williams

Explain why you think this officer’s observations provided the strongest evidence.

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Identifying an Unknown Substance (continued)

Identifying the Unknown Substance

The police have made a short list of substances they think could have been used to make a hole in the glass. All of these substances are corrosive, which means they can cause damage when they come in contact with substances such as glass. With a partner, examine the table below. Then, use the strongest evidence from the officers’ observations to help you determine which substance was used to make a hole in the glass.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Substance name</th>
<th>Properties</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>hydrobromic acid</td>
<td>• faint yellow color</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• strong, irritating odor</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• liquid at room temperature</td>
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<tr>
<td>hydrofluoric acid</td>
<td>• colorless</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• strong, irritating odor</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• liquid at room temperature</td>
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<tr>
<td>iodine monochloride</td>
<td>• dark red color</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• strong, irritating odor</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• liquid at room temperature</td>
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<tr>
<td>perchloric acid</td>
<td>• colorless</td>
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<td>• odorless</td>
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<td>• liquid at room temperature</td>
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</table>
Identifying an Unknown Substance (continued)

Which of these substances do you think is the unknown substance the criminal used to make a hole in the glass? (check one)

- [ ] hydrobromic acid
- [ ] hydrofluoric acid
- [ ] iodine monochloride
- [ ] perchloric acid

Explain your answer.

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Discussing New Evidence

After you identified the unknown substance as hydrofluoric acid, the police contacted a local chemical supply company to see whether or not anyone had purchased hydrofluoric acid recently. When the company told the police that they do not sell hydrofluoric acid, the police asked whether or not anyone had purchased substances that might have been used to make hydrofluoric acid. In response, the company released information about three suspicious orders.

1. With a partner, examine the information about the three orders shown in the table below.
2. Work together to discuss the information in the table using the discussion questions.
3. When you are ready, individually answer the question at the bottom of the page.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Job</th>
<th>Substances ordered</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Pat</td>
<td>sculptor</td>
<td>• sulfuric acid</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>• calcium fluoride</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alex</td>
<td>gardener</td>
<td>• sulfuric acid</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>• magnesium chloride</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tracy</td>
<td>chemist</td>
<td>• purified water</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>• fluorine</td>
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</table>

Discussion Questions

• At this point, can you tell whether or not any of these suspects could have made hydrofluoric acid using the substances they ordered? Why or why not?

• To help you determine whether or not any of these suspects could have made the hydrofluoric acid, what other information do you need to know about hydrofluoric acid?

• What other information would you need to know about the substances listed in the table?

Explain why knowing additional information about the hydrofluoric acid and other substances might be helpful in solving this crime.
Discussing New Evidence (continued)

Science Seminar Question: *Which suspect is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid?*

- **Claim 1:** Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.
- **Claim 2:** Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.
- **Claim 3:** Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.

Based on what you know so far, which suspect do you think is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid? (check one)

☐ Pat
☐ Alex
☐ Tracy
☐ not sure
Lesson 4.2: Analyzing Claims and Evidence

In the case of the missing diamond, police have identified three suspects who ordered suspicious substances from a chemical supply company. Before the police bring in anyone for questioning, however, they need to know whether or not any of these suspects could have made hydrofluoric acid using the substances they ordered. In this lesson, you will use new evidence to assist with this police investigation, determining which reactants could have produced hydrofluoric acid during a chemical reaction.

Unit Question
• How do new substances form?

Chapter 4 Question
• Who might have used the unknown substance to steal the diamond?

Key Concepts
• Different substances have different properties.
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Vocabulary
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• chemical reaction
• claim
• evidence
• model
• product
• property
• reactant
• rearrange
• scale
• substance
Warm-Up

To: Student Chemists
From: Dr. Samara Yung, Lead Chemist
Subject: Hydrofluoric Acid

You did a great job at using properties to identify the substance found at the crime scene as hydrofluoric acid. We’re lucky that at least one of the police officers provided detailed observations!

Here is some additional information about hydrofluoric acid at the atomic scale. This may help you as you continue to investigate this case.

- hydrofluoric acid
  - repeating group of atoms: HF

How might this information about hydrofluoric acid at the atomic scale help you with your investigation?
Modeling Possible Reactions

The police want your help to decide if they should continue investigating the three suspects. Complete the Modeling Tool activity: Making Hydrofluoric Acid on page 118 to show the police whether or not each of the suspects could have produced hydrofluoric acid with the substances they ordered from the chemical supply company.

**Goal:** Create atomic-scale models that show whether or not each of the suspects could have produced hydrofluoric acid.

**Do:**
- In the Before space, color in the atoms of each substance using the key at the bottom of the Substance Reference Guide on your teacher’s screen.
- Use the atoms to determine whether or not each suspect’s substances could have produced hydrofluoric acid.
- If you think a suspect could produce hydrofluoric acid, draw an atomic-scale model of hydrofluoric acid in the After space. If there are enough atoms, draw more than one repeating group. Also, draw any other atoms that were involved in this chemical reaction and color them in.
- If you think a suspect could not produce hydrofluoric acid, write an explanation of why this is the case in the After space.

**Tips:**
- In the Before space, you have been provided with atomic-scale models of each suspect’s substances. These atomic-scale models are also provided in the Substance Reference Guide.
After you have completed your models, answer the following question:

Based on your models, which of the suspects could have produced the hydrofluoric acid? (check one)

☐ Pat
☐ Alex
☐ Tracy
☐ none of the suspects
Modeling Tool: Making Hydrofluoric Acid

**Goal:** Create atomic-scale models that show whether or not each of the suspects could have produced hydrofluoric acid.

**Pat**
- **Before:** Sulfuric acid + Calcium fluoride
- **After:** Hydrogen + Fluorine

**Alex**
- **Before:** Sulfuric acid + Magnesium chloride
- **After:** Hydrogen + Sulfur + Chlorine

**Tracy**
- **Before:** Purified water + Fluorine
- **After:** Hydrogen + Oxygen + Sulfur + Chlorine + Magnesium + Fluorine + Calcium
Analyzing New Evidence

Based on your models, the police obtained search warrants for Pat and Tracy’s houses. They were able to find new evidence about the substances in each of their houses.

1. Examine the Suspect Evidence Cards, annotating with any questions or ideas you have. If useful, you may also color in the atoms on the cards using the atom key on your teacher’s screen.

2. Review the model you completed in the last activity on page 118. Consider how the information in the Suspect Evidence Cards might relate to your completed model. You may revise your model if needed.

3. As you sort the cards using the Evidence Sorting Grid on the next page, discuss your choices with your partner. If you think a card belongs in more than one category, place it on the line between those two categories. If you are not sure which category a card belongs in, set that card to the side.

Substance Reference Guide

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<tr>
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<th>Repeating Group of Atoms</th>
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<tr>
<td>hydrofluoric acid</td>
<td>HF</td>
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<td>sulfuric acid</td>
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<td>calcium fluoride</td>
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<td>calcium sulfate</td>
<td>CaSO₄</td>
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<td>magnesium chloride</td>
<td>MgCl₂</td>
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<tr>
<td>purified water</td>
<td>H₂O</td>
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<tr>
<td>fluorine</td>
<td>F₂</td>
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<tr>
<td>oxygen</td>
<td>O₂</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Atom Key

- H: hydrogen
- O: oxygen
- S: sulfur
- Cl: chlorine
- Mg: magnesium
- F: fluorine
- Ca: calcium
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<tr>
<th>Evidence Pat made the hydrofluoric acid:</th>
<th>Evidence Tracy made the hydrofluoric acid:</th>
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<td>Evidence Pat did <strong>not</strong> make the hydrofluoric acid:</td>
<td>Evidence Tracy did <strong>not</strong> make the hydrofluoric acid:</td>
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Identifying the Primary Suspect

Based on how you sorted the Suspect Evidence Cards with your partner, answer the questions below. Remember that you will have a chance to change your mind in the next lesson.

**Question:** Which suspect is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid? 

**Claim 1:** Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.

**Claim 2:** Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.

**Claim 3:** Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.
Identifying the Primary Suspect (continued)

Based on what you know so far, which suspect do you think is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid? (check one)

☐ Pat
☐ Alex
☐ Tracy
☐ not sure

Explain your answer using at least one piece of evidence from your Suspect Evidence Cards.

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Lesson 4.3: Engaging in a Science Seminar

The police are almost ready to bring in one of the suspects for questioning in the case of the missing diamond, but who should be the primary suspect? During today’s Science Seminar, you and your fellow student chemists will have an opportunity to discuss the claims and evidence in this case. By the end of this lesson, you will be ready to write a scientific argument to the police explaining which suspect you think is most likely to have produced the hydrofluoric acid.

Unit Question

- How do new substances form?

Chapter 4 Question

- Who might have used the unknown substance to steal the diamond?

Key Concepts

- Different substances have different properties.
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- evidence
- model
- product
- property
- reactant
- rearrange
- reasoning
- scale
- scientific argument
- substance

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Warm-Up

Review your annotated Suspect Evidence Cards from the last lesson.

**Question:** Which suspect is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid? $\text{HF}$

**Claim 1:** Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.

**Claim 2:** Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.

**Claim 3:** Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.

Draw a star on the evidence card or cards that best support your claim. Why did you choose this evidence?

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Which claim do you think is the most convincing? (check one)

- Claim 1: Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.
- Claim 2: Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.
- Claim 3: Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.
Science Seminar Observations

Write a check mark in the right-hand column every time you hear one of your peers say or do something listed in the left-hand column. If you hear an interesting idea, write it in the last row of the table.

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<tr>
<th>Observations during the seminar</th>
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<td>I heard a student respectfully disagree with someone else’s thinking.</td>
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<tr>
<td>I heard a student explain how her evidence is connected to her claim.</td>
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<td>I heard a student evaluate the quality of evidence.</td>
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<td>I heard an idea that makes me better understand one of the claims.</td>
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<td>That idea is:</td>
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Homework: Writing a Scientific Argument

Prepare to write by answering the questions below. After you have answered the questions, write a scientific argument that answers the Science Seminar Question.

**Question:** Which suspect is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid?

**Claim 1:** Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.

**Claim 2:** Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.

**Claim 3:** Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.

Which claim are you going to make in your argument?

- **Claim 1:** Pat is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and calcium fluoride.
- **Claim 2:** Alex is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using sulfuric acid and magnesium chloride.
- **Claim 3:** Tracy is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid by using purified water and fluorine.

**None of the above.** I will write my own claim: _____________________________________________
Homework: Writing a Scientific Argument (continued)

Review the Suspect Evidence Cards and the models you created to show whether or not each suspect could have made hydrofluoric acid. Consider how the information presented in the evidence cards might relate to your models. Then, select the pieces of evidence you are going to use in your argument from the list below.

- **Evidence Card A:** When the police searched Pat’s house, they found some calcium sulfate (CaSO₄).
- **Evidence Card B:** The police did not find hydrofluoric acid (HF), sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄), or calcium fluoride (CaF₂) in Pat’s house.
- **Evidence Card C:** When the police searched Tracy’s house, they found some purified water (H₂O).
- **Evidence Card D:** The police did not find hydrofluoric acid (HF), fluorine (F₂), or any other unusual substances in Tracy’s house.
- **Evidence Card E:** According to Dr. Yung, calcium sulfate (CaSO₄) is a substance commonly used in sculpting.
- **Evidence Card F:** According to Dr. Yung, oxygen (O₂) is a colorless, odorless gas that is commonly found in air.
- **Evidence Card G:** The chemical supply company confirmed the delivery of sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄) and calcium fluoride (CaF₂) to Pat’s house.
- **Evidence Card H:** The chemical supply company confirmed the delivery of purified water (H₂O) and fluorine (F₂) to Tracy’s house.
Homework: Writing a Scientific Argument (continued)

Write a scientific argument that addresses the question: Which suspect is most likely to have made the hydrofluoric acid? First, state your claim. Then, use evidence to support your claim. For each piece of evidence you use, explain how the evidence supports your claim. As you write, refer back to your completed Modeling Tool on page 118 and Suspect Evidence Cards.

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Homework: Writing a Scientific Argument (continued)
Homework: Check Your Understanding

This is a chance for you to reflect on your learning so far. This is not a test. Be open and truthful when you respond to the questions below.

1. I understand that more detailed observations provide stronger evidence. (check one)
   □ yes
   □ not yet

   Explain your answer choice.
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2. What are the most important things you have learned in this unit about how new substances form?
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3. What questions do you still have?
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New York City Companion Lessons
# Identifying Substances

## Properties of Metals

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<th>Color</th>
<th>Density</th>
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<td>silvery-white</td>
<td>2.7 grams/cm³</td>
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<td>brass (mixture of copper and zinc)</td>
<td>gold</td>
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<td>reddish-orange</td>
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Identifying Substances (continued)

Part 1: Initial Claims of Metal Cubes

Record your initial claims for what each cube is made of:

Cube A: ________________________________________________

Cube B: ________________________________________________

Cube C: ________________________________________________

Cube D: ________________________________________________

Cube E: ________________________________________________
Identifying Substances (continued)

Part 2: Identifying Metal Cubes

Revise your claim for the identity of each cube below and write an argument to support your claim. In your argument, use evidence from your observations and the data you gathered.

Cube A:

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Cube B:

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Cube C:

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Cube D:

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Cube E:

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Identifying Substances (continued)

Part 3: Mystery Substances Scenario

Spacecraft bring back samples from two asteroids. One brings back a small sample, and the other brings back a large sample. Back on Earth, scientists observe that the samples have similar color and hardness. Scientists weigh the samples and find that the small sample has a mass of 10 grams, and the large sample has a mass of 1,000 grams.

Describe an investigation plan that would help the scientists gather more evidence about whether the two samples are likely to be the same substance.

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Investigating Mixtures

Part 1: Separating Substances Design

Safety Note: Iron Filings
Wear gloves and safety goggles when handling iron filings. If the iron filings get on your skin or clothes, tell your teacher and rinse the substance off with water. If you get the iron filings in your eyes, tell your teacher and rinse your eyes with water for 15 minutes. If the iron filings are inhaled, move to fresh air and seek medical help for any breathing difficulties.

With your group, design a method for separating the substances in the bag. The bag contains sugar, iron, wax, and sand. Describe each step of your method and list what substances are separated by each step.

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<th>Description of step</th>
<th>Substance(s) separated</th>
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### Investigating Mixtures (continued)

**Part 1: Separating Substances Design (continued)**

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Investigating Mixtures (continued)

Part 2: Reading “This Is Not an Oxygen Tank”
1. Read and annotate the “This Is Not an Oxygen Tank” article.
2. Choose and mark annotations to discuss with your partner. Once you have discussed these annotations, mark them as discussed.
3. Now, choose and mark a question or connection, either one you already discussed or a different one that you would like to discuss with the class.
4. Discuss the reflection questions below.

Reflection Questions:
How is the diving tank similar to and different from the bag that was filled with four substances?
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How is the diving tank similar to and different from the sugar water?
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Active Reading Guidelines
1. Think carefully about what you read. Pay attention to your own understanding.
2. As you read, annotate the text to make a record of your thinking. Highlight challenging words and add notes to record questions and make connections to your own experience.
3. Examine all visual representations carefully. Consider how they go together with the text.
4. After you read, discuss what you have read with others to help you better understand the text.
Investigating Mixtures (continued)

Part 3: Sugar-Water Separation

Make observations of the sugar-water drops on the plates and the atomic scale evidence below to answer the questions on this page and the next page.

When sugar and water are combined, does a chemical reaction occur or does it just form a mixture of sugar and water? Use evidence from the sugar-water drops and the atomic scale diagrams.

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Explain what you think happened to the drops of the sugar mixed with water that were left on the plates.

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Investigating Mixtures (continued)

Part 4: Contaminated Water Separation

In 2014, a company accidentally spilled a large amount of a chemical called 4-Methylcyclohexanemethanol (MCHM) into a river in West Virginia. MCHM eventually got into the drinking water of many people. People noticed a strong licorice smell in their drinking water.

Look at the evidence below and answer the questions on the next page.

Evidence: Properties

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<th>Water</th>
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<td>odor</td>
<td>licorice</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>licorice</td>
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<td>color</td>
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<td>liquid</td>
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<td>temperature at which the substance boils (turns from liquid to gas)</td>
<td>202°C</td>
<td>100°C</td>
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<td>density</td>
<td>0.9 grams/cm³</td>
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Evidence: Atomic Scale

water: H₂O

MCHM: CH₃C₆H₁₀CH₂OH

drinking water after the spill
Investigating Mixtures (continued)

Part 4: Contaminated Water Separation (continued)

Do you think a chemical reaction occurred when the MCMH mixed with the water? Why or why not?

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Someone who observed the river made the following comment: *I can’t see the individual substances, so it must not be a mixture.* Do you agree or disagree with this? What is your evidence?

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What is one idea you have about how MCHM could be separated from water? Why do you think that might work?

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**Chemical Reactions Glossary**

**atoms**: the tiny pieces that all matter—all the stuff in the world—is made of

**átomos**: los pedacitos diminutos de los cuales toda la materia del mundo está hecha

**boiling point**: the temperature at which a substance changes from the liquid phase to the gas phase

**punto de ebullición**: la temperatura a la cual una sustancia cambia de la fase líquida a la fase gaseosa

**chemical formula**: letters and numbers showing the types and number of atoms that repeat to make up a substance

**fórmula química**: letras y números que muestran los tipos y la cantidad de átomos que se repiten para formar una sustancia

**chemical reaction**: a process in which atoms rearrange to form new substances

**reacción química**: un proceso en el que los átomos se reorganizan para formar nuevas sustancias

**corrosive**: able to cause damage

**corrosivo**: capaz de causar daño

**density**: the amount of matter in a certain amount of space

**densidad**: la cantidad de materia en una cierta cantidad de espacio

**extended structure**: a structure formed by repeating groups of atoms that link together in a large network

**estructura extendida**: una estructura formada por grupos repetidos de átomos que se enlanzan entre sí en una gran red

**fertilizer**: a substance that is added to soil to help plants grow

**fertilizante**: una sustancia que se agrega a la tierra para ayudar a que crezcan las plantas

**mass**: the amount of matter that makes up an object

**masa**: la cantidad de materia que forma un objeto

**melting point**: the temperature at which a substance changes from the solid phase to the liquid phase

**punto de fusión**: la temperatura a la cual una sustancia cambia de la fase sólida a la fase líquida

**mixture**: matter that is made of more than one substance

**mezcla**: materia que está hecha de más de una sustancia
**model**: an object, diagram, or computer program that helps us understand something by making it simpler or easier to see

**molecule**: a group of atoms joined together in a particular way

**product**: an ending substance that is made during a chemical reaction

**property**: something that can be observed about a substance, such as color, smell, or boiling point

**reactant**: a starting substance that is part of a chemical reaction

**rearrange**: to change the order or position of something

**scale**: the relative size of things

**substance**: something that is made of all the same atoms or groups of atoms

**volume**: the amount of space that an object or material takes up
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