The Atomic Revolution

Start with the Ancient Greeks

- Democritus was first to propose a model for matter that was somewhat correct
- All matter is made up of atoms and there are empty spaces between these atoms.

John Dalton – English Chemist

- Father of Modern Atomic Theory 1766
- Agreed with Democritus that matter is indivisible
- Revolutionized the way we think about matter by proposing 5 simple points

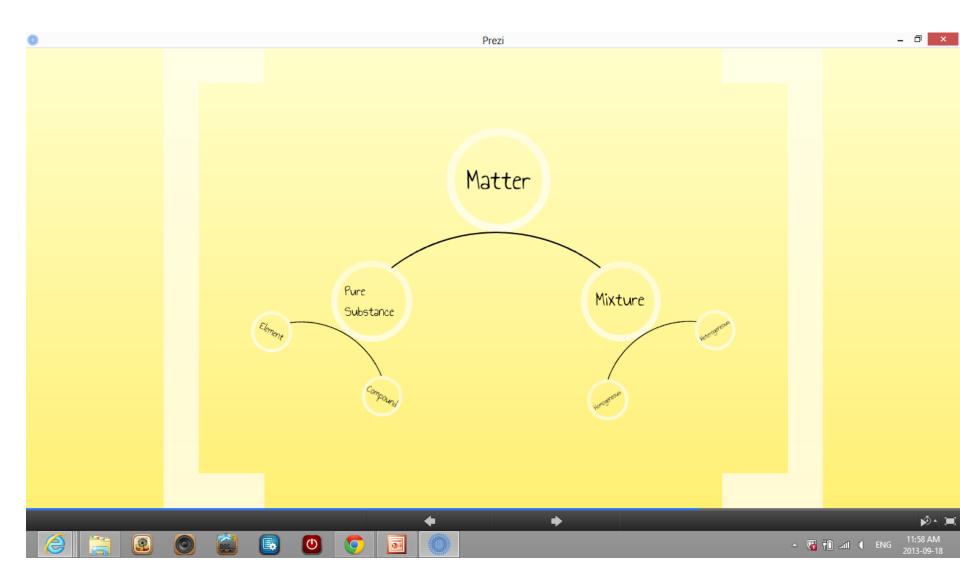
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- Elements are made of extremely small particles called atoms
- n. Atoms of a given element are equal in mass, size and other properties; atoms of different elements are different.
- III. Atoms cannot be made, subdivided or destroyed

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- IV. Atoms of different elements can combine in simple whole number ratios to form chemical compounds
- V. In chemical reactions, atoms are combined, separated or rearranged

Matter is broken down into categories



Matter

- Pure Substance
 - Element
 - Compound

- Mixture
 - Homogeneous
 - Heterogeneous

Conservation of matter

- In a chemical reaction, whatever you start with is always what you end with in terms of mass.
- The mass of the reactants equal the mass of the products without exception, whether it is a chemical or physical reaction