- <u>The Law of Conservation of Matter</u> states that matter cannot be created nor destroyed, it only changes form.
- <u>Physical Properties of Matter</u>— color, shape, texture, melting point, conductivity, hardness, density, the state of the matter, dissolving into fluids, etc. These are generally reversible changes or do not change the chemical structure of the matter.
- <u>Chemical Properties of Matter</u>—characteristics that can be observed when chemicals change (any *irreversible* change by ordinary means) into other substance such as when burning, rusting, tarnishing, bubbling, temperature changes without the help of outside sources, color changes such as *turning black when burned*, and other unexpected color changes, etc.
- Atom structure—protons (+) and neutrons (0) are found in the nucleus and electrons (-) orbit the nucleus in the energy levels (rings, shells, clouds all refer to the energy levels).
 - Most of the mass of the atom is found in the nucleus.
 - Atoms are the smallest unit of matter that retains individual properties.
 - Atoms make up elements.



- The Periodic Table of Elements organizes elements based on their atomic structure and similarly reactive behavior as other elements in their groups.
 - Elements are all one kind of atom; a pure substance; found on the Periodic Table of Elements; can combine to create molecules.
 - Each element found on the Periodic table has an element symbol, an atomic number (which states the number of protons), and the atomic mass of the element's atom.



- **Periods** are the horizontal rows on the Periodic Table and is the number of energy levels of atoms inside their respective period.
- Groups are the vertical columns and are organized to give an idea of the number of valence electrons in the respective element's atoms in each group.



- <u>Molecules</u> are 2 or more atoms (can be the same or different elements) that are chemically joined.
- <u>Compounds</u> are a type of molecule with 2 or more *different* element's atoms chemically joined to form a completely different substance from the original element atoms.
- A <u>chemical formula</u> is a ratio of a compound. Ex. H₂O
- A <u>coefficient</u> is the large number found in front of the formula and states the number of molecules in that formula. For example, in 3CO₂, the coefficient is 3 and there are 3 molecules of CO₂.
- A <u>subscript</u> is the small number behind the element symbol in a formula and states the number of atoms of that element in a given formula (like a ratio). For example, in 3CO₂, the subscript is 2 and there are 2 atoms of Oxygen in each CO₂ molecule.
- In a <u>chemical equation</u>, molecules before the "yields" arrow (→) are called reactant and those after the "yields" arrow are called the product. For example, in the equation 2H₂ + O₂ → 2H₂O, the 2H₂ and O₂ are reactants and the 2H₂O is the product.

