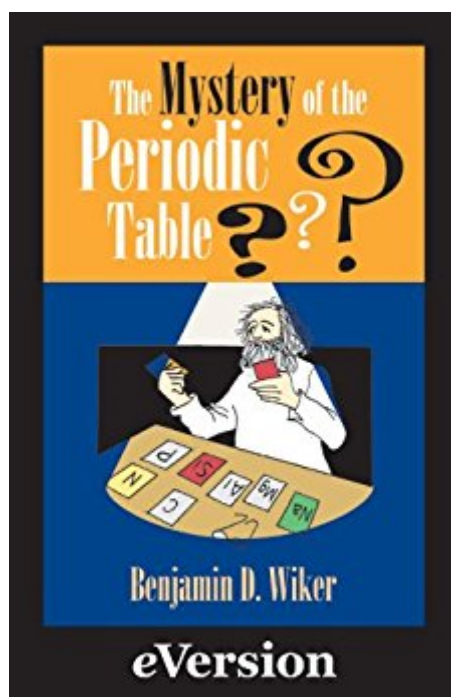


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# Mystery Of The Periodic Table



## Synopsis

Leads the reader on a delightful and absorbing journey through the ages, on the trail of the elements of the Periodic Table as we know them today. He introduces the young reader to people like Von Helmont, Boyle, Stahl, Priestly, Cavendish, Lavoisier, and many others, all incredibly diverse in personality and approach, who have laid the groundwork for a search that is still unfolding to this day. The first part of Wiker's witty and solidly instructive presentation is most suitable to middle school age, while the later chapters are designed for ages 12-13 and up, with a final chapter somewhat more advanced. Illustrated by Jeanne Bendick and Ted Schluenderfritz.

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## Customer Reviews

I read two chapters before handing it off to my fourteen year-old son. His class is about to begin thorough study of the periodic table (after introduction to it last year). He reads about two books voluntarily per year (as compared to his younger sister who reads six to eight books without being assigned) and has steadily read through this title each night. Other science and sci-fi reads my son

enjoyed :Bomb by Sheinken (as in the atomic bomb)Fourteenth Goldfish by Holm (quick and fun read triggering profound discussions)Isaac Newton by Krull (Newton was something else)Archimedes and the door to science (Archimedes was too)

This book was very informative. I read it within a few hours and then gave it to my teenager. This book teaches you a whole new way to think of the periodic table. It has a way of explaining the elements that helps you understand them one by one. It was easy to read and I enjoyed the occasional humor in it.I highly recommend this book. It made learning about the Periodic Table easier and interesting!

I liked this book but there were some areas where the science got just a bit too much for me and I couldn't quite grasp or understand the principles the author was trying to convey. Nonetheless, the book went some way to help me understand the complicated areas around the Periodic Table

My nine year old son developed an interest in the periodic table. This book gave us both the basis for a proper conversation about it. It is very well written- both insightful and entertaining. It proved to be absolutely perfect for our needs.

interesting book, my son says it's ok: the book was accurate and a little interesting. Explains concepts in non-science terms.

The author writes with a light touch and although I bought this for my homeschooling grandchildren, I very much enjoyed reading it myself. I am inspired to read more about some of the scientists he writes about, such as Lavoisier. My granddaughter is too young (8) to read this herself, but sometimes I tell her stories from it and she enjoys them, laying groundwork for her later education.

Loved this book so good that i ordered it for my grandson who is ten and has an inquisitive thirst for knowledge

My six year old listened in fascination to the experiments of ancient alchemists and early chemists. The end of the book suffers a little from too much straight explanation and fewer experiment stories.

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