

Directions for Activity:

- For "First Piles", make stacks of:
 - 10 pennies,
 - 6 nickels
 - 5 dimes
 - 2 quarters.
- Complete the chart- left side
- For "Second piles" mix all the coins together and then randomly divide them to make 4 new piles-
- Complete the right side of worksheet.
- Answer questions on worksheet- for question 6- answer on your notebook page (under worksheet if you need more room)

The Law of Conservation of Matter

1. What is meant by "conservation of mass?" (pg. 205 middle paragraph) The mass of the _____ equals the mass of the _____ because they are the same _____. ! They have just been rearranged into new _____.



A. Did you lose anything?

| First Piles | | | Second Piles | | |
|--------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| | Number of coins | Cash Value | | Number of coins | Cash Value |
| Pennies | | | Stack 1 | | |
| Nickels | | | Stack 2 | | |
| Dimes | | | Stack 3 | | |
| Quarters | | | Stack 4 | | |
| TOTAL | | | TOTAL | | |

- Did the total value of the coins change? _____
Did the total number of the coins change? _____
Did rearranging the coins change any one coin's value? _____
- Do the kinds of atoms (elements) change in a chemical reaction? _____
Did the total number of the atoms change in a chemical reaction? _____
Does rearranging the atoms in a reaction change any individual atom? _____
- If this was a model for a chemical change, what does each represent:
 - One coin _____
 - FIRST Groups of coins. _____
 - Rearranging of coins _____
 - SECOND piles of coins. _____
- Which are conserved? Check those NOT changed in chemical reactions.
 atoms elements compounds molecules mass
- Explain how the model of rearranging of coins shows the conservation of matter.

How does the model or rearranging the coins show conservation of matter?

- I agree with you and...
- I agree with you but...
- I disagree with you because....