## The Disappearing Spoon

Worksheet Two: Part Two - Making Atoms, Breaking Atoms

Chapter Four: Where Atoms come From: "We Are All Star Stuff"

- 1. How are elements with atomic numbers that are greater than iron form?
- 2. What is the most abundant element in the universe?
- 3. What is neon rain?
- 4. How did Patterson determine the age of the Earth (4.55 billion years old)?

## Chapter Five: Elements in Times of War



- Haber both won a Nobel Prize for his process to produce ammonia from nitrogen and he was charged with being a war criminal. Why was he thus charged?
- 2. You probably have tantalum or niobium in your pocket right now. What does this mean?

## Chapter Six: Completing the Table...with a Bang

- 1. What is the difference between a "dirty" bomb and a conventional nuclear bomb?
- 2. What is "MAD"?

## Chapter Seven: Extending the Table, Expanding the Cold War

1. Who is Glenn Seaborg?