Nature of Matter

	Working towards Mastery (W)	Meeting Mastery (M)	Beyond Mastery (B)
Particle Model	- Properties of solids, liquids and gases can be described in terms of particles in motion but with differences in the arrangement and movement of these same particles: closely spaced and vibrating (solid), in random motion but in contact (liquid), or in random motion and widely spaced (gas). - Observations where substances change temperature or state can be described in terms of particles gaining or losing energy.	 Explain unfamiliar observations about gas pressure in terms of particles. Explain the properties of solids, liquids and gases based on the arrangement and movement of their particles. Explain changes in states in terms of changes to the energy of particles. Draw before and after diagrams of particles to explain observations about changes of state, gas pressure and diffusion. 	 Argue for how to classify substances which behave unusually as solids, liquids or gases. Evaluate observations that provide evidence for the existence of particles. Make predictions about what will happen during unfamiliar physical processes, in terms of particles and their energy.
Elements	- Most substances are not pure elements, but compounds or mixtures containing atoms of different elements. They have different properties to the elements they contain.	 Name compounds using their chemical formulae. Given chemical formulae, name the elements present and their relative proportions. Represent atoms, molecules and elements, mixtures and compounds using particle diagrams. Use observations from chemical reactions to decide if an unknown substance is an element or a compound. 	 Use particle diagrams to predict physical properties of elements and compounds. Deduce a pattern in the formula of similar compounds and use it to suggest formulae for unfamiliar ones. Compare and contrast the properties of elements and compounds and give a reason for their differences.