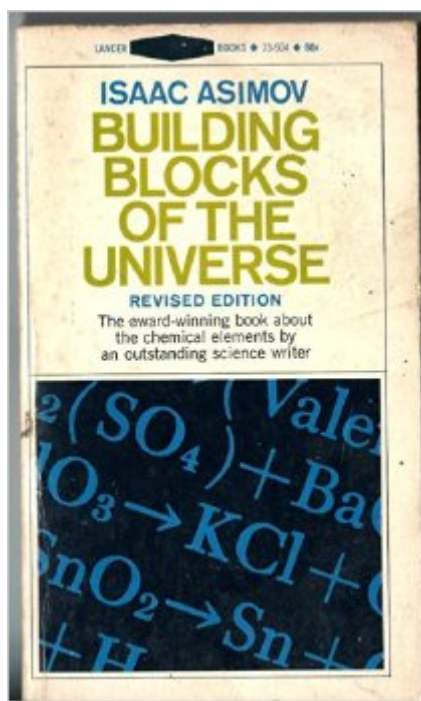


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# Building Blocks Of The Universe





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This book brings the elements of the periodic table into focus as a part of everyday life. It explains their uses, properties, interesting facts, and origins. Inorganic chemistry is explained plainly and in extremely understandable terms. I found the book to be especially useful for young people in middle and high school starting chemistry studies or who are having difficulties with the subject.

I was around 12 when I read this book and can recall it vividly. Nothing teaches the fundamental concepts of chemistry better than this book. I came out of this reading experience with a basic understanding of the periodic table and a hunger to learn more about chemistry. It is very pleasing to see this book can still be found. I think for middle-school or high-school aged science students, this book is invaluable for turning them on to a basic appreciation for chemistry.

I read this book when I was about 7 years old. I read many many books, but this is the only one I remember specifically from that early time. That was before I knew who Asimov was, or that he was to become my favorite writer as a teenager. Over 30 years later, I still remember this book as being an introduction to elements and the periodic table. I can still picture the chapter-head illustrations and the explanation of how everything in one column is basically the same. I suppose it had an effect on my learning about the world from the get-go. After all, I remember details about =this= book, out of the hundreds that formed my knowledge of science and the universe. Asimov speaks to his readers. If you get anything out of his short essays, imagine a book-length treatment.

Asimov presents not just the interesting technical aspects of each element, but also its history and



context. Highly recommended.

Like many others, Asimov's "Building Blocks of the Universe" stands as a milestone in my young education. Although my career is far removed from chemistry and physics, I still remember the foundational information he taught so well.

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