

Mendeleev Autobiography Writing Assignment



Pretend you are Dmitri Mendeleev, the father of the periodic table. Write a one page or longer (typed, double spaced) autobiography of your life and your work in researching the patterns of the elements.

Before you begin your writing, research the following questions. Be sure your autobiography answers these important questions! Be creative, and proofread for grammar and spelling. Your writing should be followed by a brief Works Cited page listing the sources you used to write your autobiography.

- Where and when you were born?
- In what years did you perform your research, and in what year did you publish your periodic table?
- What properties of the elements did you list as you began to organize the elements?
- Explain the process you used to help you design the first periodic table. Give details!
- By what property did you arrange the elements?
- How were you able to predict yet undiscovered elements?
- What changes were made to the periodic table after your discovery?