

**Nuclear Decay**

Using a periodic table, fill in the blanks to complete the following nuclear equations. Then, identify which type(s) of decay particles were produced.

**Standard:** Students know the three most common forms of radioactive decay (alpha, beta, and gamma) and know how the nucleus changes in each type of decay.

	Alpha	Beta	Gamma
${}_{19}^{42}\text{K} \rightarrow {}_{-1}^0\text{e} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{92}^{235}\text{U} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + {}_{90}^{231}\text{Th}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{95}^{241}\text{Am} \rightarrow {}_{93}^{237}\text{Np} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{6}^{14}\text{C} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + {}_{7}^{14}\text{N}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{94}^{239}\text{Pu} \rightarrow {}_{2}^4\text{He} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} + {}_{0}^1\text{n} \rightarrow {}_{56}^{142}\text{Ba} + {}_{36}^{91}\text{Kr} + 3{}_{0}^1\text{n} + {}_{0}^0\gamma$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{55}^{137}\text{Cs} \rightarrow {}_{56}^{137}\text{Ba} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$			
Describe the change that took place above.			
${}_{6}^{13}\text{C} + {}_{1}^1\text{H} \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}} + {}_{0}^0\gamma$			
Describe the change that took place above.			