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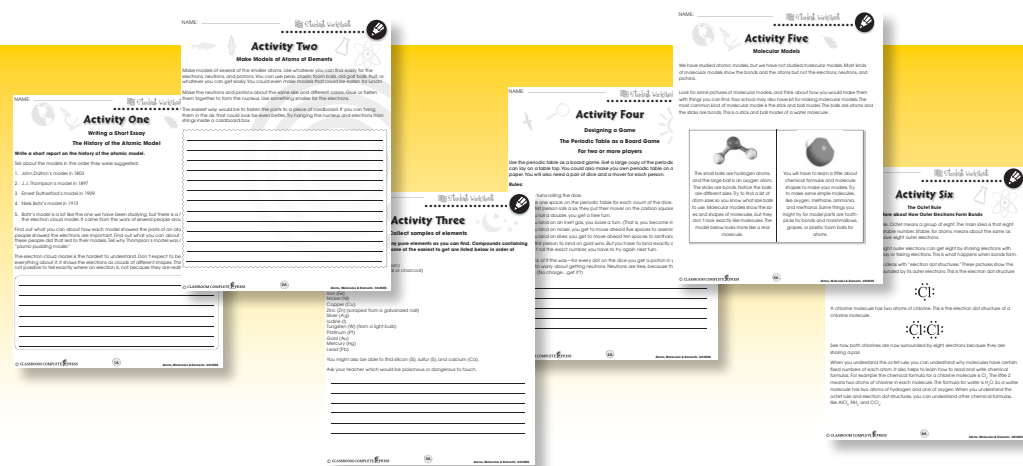
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## The Periodic Table

1. Put a check mark (✓) next to the answer that is most correct.

a) What gives the atoms of an element their chemical properties?

- A the inner protons  
 B the outer protons  
 C the inner electrons  
 D the outer electrons

b) What is different for atoms of every element?

- A the number of electrons  
 B the size of the electrons  
 C the mass of the electrons  
 D the number of outer electrons

c) What is a chemical symbol?

- A the matter at the center of an atom  
 B a model showing the parts of an atom  
 C the most important property of an element  
 D a short way to write the name of an element

2. Circle T if the statement is TRUE or F if it is FALSE.

- T F a) Some elements have the same chemical and physical properties.  
T F b) Scientists discovered most of the elements thousands of years ago.  
T F c) Atoms of every element have a different number of protons.  
T F d) All atoms of an element have the same chemical properties.  
T F e) Molecules can be divided into smaller parts called compounds.



## The Periodic Table

It all became clear when they learned about electrons and protons. Remember that it is the outer electrons that form bonds. Also remember that the way atoms form bonds is what gives an element its chemical properties. So the reason properties repeat is because the number of outer electrons repeats. If atoms of two elements have the same number of outer electrons, they form bonds in the same way.

Where are the **ELECTRONS** found in an atom? Where are the **PROTONS** found in an atom? Use the word "nucleus" in your answers.



Look at the periodic table. Each square has the symbol of a different element. Some of the symbols do not look like the names of the elements. For example, the symbol for gold is "Au". The numbers in the squares are called **atomic numbers**. Notice that the numbers get bigger from left to right in each row. The atomic number is equal to the number of protons in the nucleus of each atom of that element. The atomic number is also equal to the number of electrons. So each element has one more proton and one more electron than the element just before it.

Each up-and-down row is called a **group**. The groups are numbered from 1 to 18 across the top of the table. Next we will learn what the periodic table shows about properties of the elements.

Sometimes we will put the symbol of an element after its name, so you can find it in the periodic table. For example: hydrogen (H) or helium (He).



## The Periodic Table

1. Fill in each blank with a word or group of words from the list.

atomic number    element    symbol    group    atom

- a) The periodic table lists all the \_\_\_\_\_s in order of increasing \_\_\_\_\_s.  
b) The letter "C" is the \_\_\_\_\_ for the element carbon.  
c) In the periodic table, elements in the same \_\_\_\_\_ have many of the same properties.  
d) Elements with the smallest \_\_\_\_\_s are near the top of the periodic table.

2. Put a check mark (✓) next to the answer that is most correct.

a) What repeats when elements are arranged in order of increasing atomic mass?

- A size of atoms  
 B atomic numbers  
 C chemical properties  
 D number of electrons

b) What did scientists study to make the first periodic table?

- A atomic models  
 B outer electrons  
 C each atom's nucleus  
 D properties of elements



## The Periodic Table

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4. Explain why the scientists who made the first periodic tables didn't understand why properties of elements repeated.

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### Extensions & Applications

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a) When did he formally present his periodic table?

\_\_\_\_\_

b) Try to find out what other scientists thought of his periodic table.

\_\_\_\_\_

c) He left some squares in his table **blank**. Why did he do this? How did this show later that his periodic table was correct?

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d) One story says that the periodic table came to Mendeleev in a dream. Try to find out if this story is true.

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After You Read 



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3.

Three of: atomic number, number of protons in the atoms, number of electrons in the atoms, the element's name

4.

Accept one of: They didn't have the atomic model. (OR) They didn't know about electrons.

5.

a) 1869

b) Possible answers:

It was widely accepted than others (Newlands', etc) proposed about the same time.

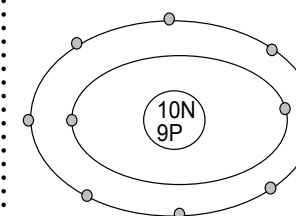
Gained more acceptance when elements were discovered that he had used his table to predict.

c) He thought some elements hadn't been discovered yet. He thought this because, if he left blanks, the known elements would follow the periodic law of repeating properties. When the elements were later discovered that filled the missing squares, it showed his periodic table had been correct.

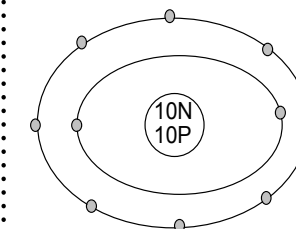
d) A second-hand story; there is no record that he said the periodic table came to him in a dream. Someone said they *heard* Mendeleev said it.

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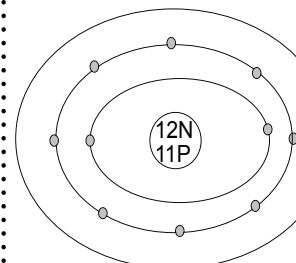
Fluorine:



Neon:



Sodium:



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