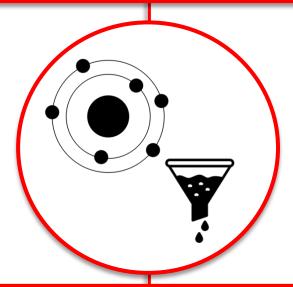
FOUNDATION CHEMISTRY UNIT 1 – ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND THE PERIODIC TABLE



<u>In this topic you will learn about</u> the fundamentals of chemistry and how the periodic table and the model of the atom we use today were developed.

You will learn more about the structures of atoms, what isotopes are and what ions are and how they are formed. You will develop your knowledge of the periodic table and how to use the information it tells us. You will also learn more about the reactions of elements in groups 1 and 7 of the periodic table.

This will build up on the work you did in years 7 and 8 on elements and compounds. It will also build on the work you did in year 9 on atoms, bonding and the periodic table

This will help you in all of your future chemistry units as it will develop your knowledge of the periodic table and chemical formula and enable you to use the information you gain about elements, atoms and ions to help you when you are studying topic such as bonding, chemical calculations and chemical reactions.

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The Periodic Table of Elements

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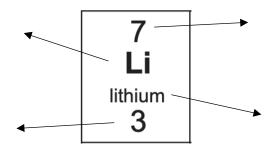


This key is on your periodic table:

Key

relative atomic mass atomic symbol name atomic (proton) number

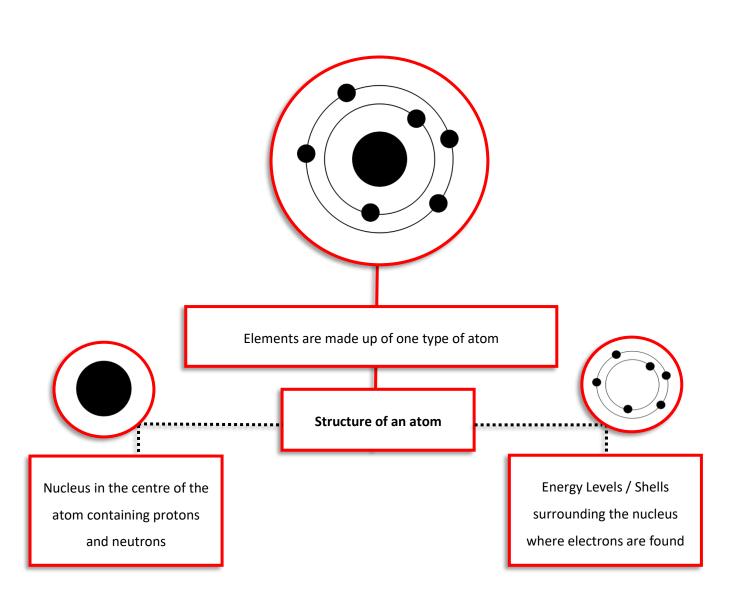
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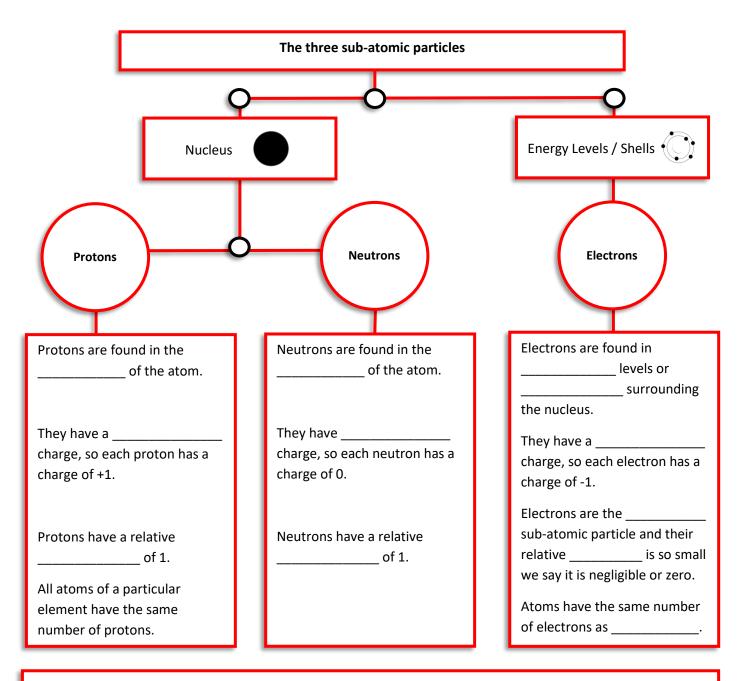


What else does this tell us about an atom of the element lithium? Write down as much information as you can.



The element sodium is made up of sodium ______ atoms only. The element sodium is made up of sodium ______ only. The element copper is made up of copper atoms ______. The element silver is made up of ______. The element iron is made up of ______.





Elements on the Periodic Table

All of the elements can be found on the periodic table.

The periodic table tells us four pieces of information about each element.

- 1. The top number tell us the relative atomic mass of an atom of that element. This tells us how many protons plus neutrons there are in an atom of the element.
- 2. The letters in the centre tell us the symbol of the element.
- 3. The word below the symbol tells us the name of the element.
- 4. The bottom number tells us the atomic (proton) number. This tells us how many protons there are in an atom of the element.

The number of protons in an atom is the same as the number of electrons.



How electrons are arranged in an atom

now electrons are arranged in an atom		
We know the following facts about electrons		
1. Electrons are located on shells around the nucle	us of an atom.	
2. Electrons have a tiny mass.		
3. Electrons have a	_ charge of -1	
4. The number of electrons is the same as the num	ber of	_ in an atom
When you are drawing electrons on the shells of a	n atom you can use dots or cross	ses.
The first shell can hold a maximum of	electrons.	
The second and third shell can hold a maximum of		electrons.
The innermost shell fills up first, then the second sl	hell and then the third shell.	
We can use this information to draw the atomic sti	ructure of the first 20 elements.	



	Question	Answer	Mark
1	What is made up of one type of atom?		
2	Where are protons found in an atom?		
3	Where are neutrons found in an atom?		
4	Where are electrons found in an atom?		
5	Do protons have a positive or negative or neutral charge?		
6	Do electrons have a positive, negative or neutral charge?		
7	How do the number of protons in atom compare to the number of electrons?		
8	An atom of an element has an atomic number of 7. How many protons will it have?		
9	An atom of an element has an atomic number of 7. How many electrons will it have?		
10	What will be the electronic structure of an element with an atomic number of 7.		
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This key is on your periodic table:

relative atomic mass atomic symbol

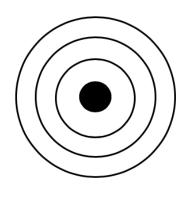
name

atomic (proton) number

Use this key and your own knowledge to complete the table and draw the electronic structure of aluminium.

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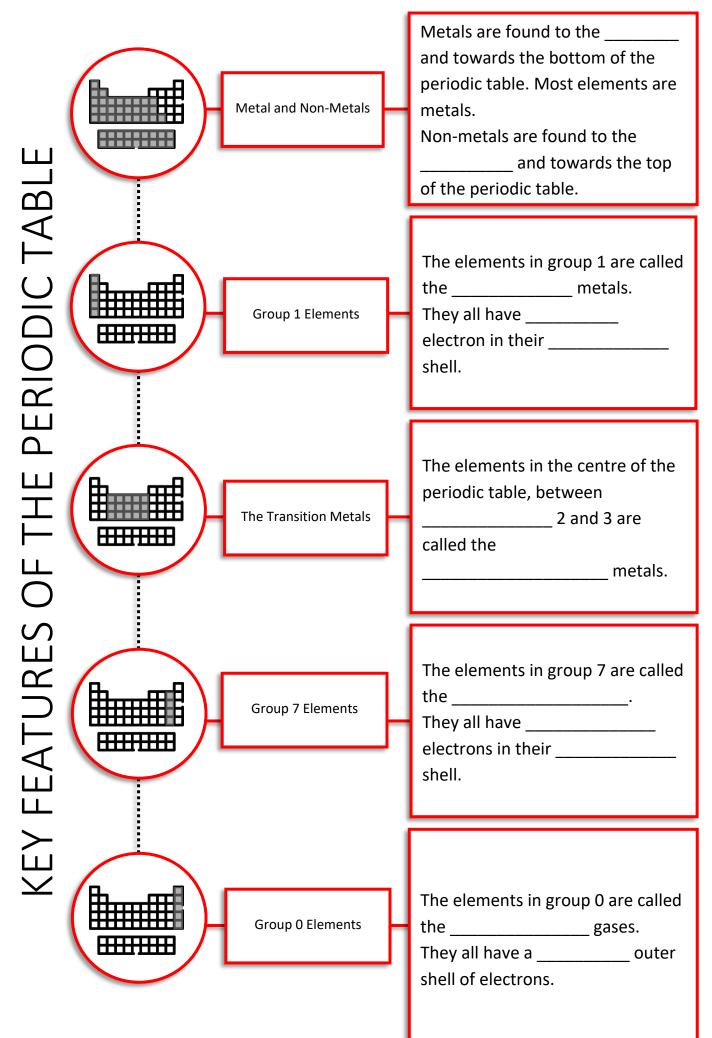
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Symbol of element	
Relative atomic mass	
Atomic number	
Number of protons	
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Number of neutrons	
Electronic structure	

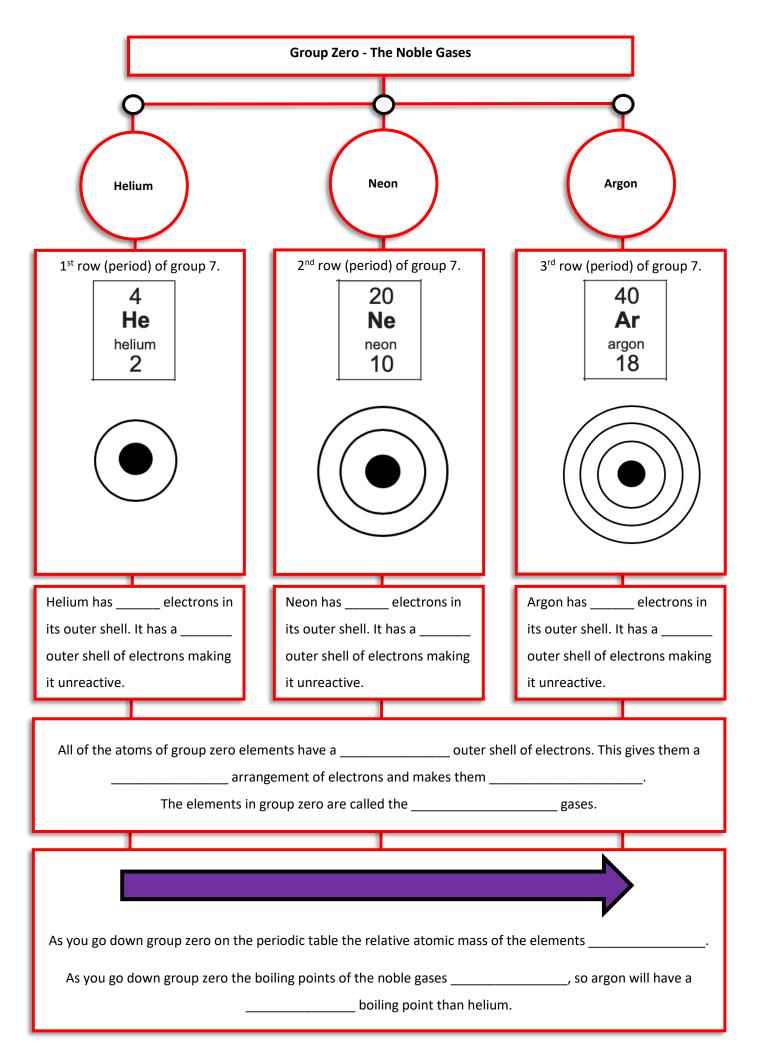




The Periodic Table

In the periodic table elements are arranged in ord	der of).
All atoms of the same element have the same nur an atom of that particular elemen	mber of protons – the number of protons is unique to
Groups	Periods
Groups are vertical on the periodic table.	Periods are horizontal on the periodic table.
The groups are numbered on your periodic table – there are groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 0. Elements in the same group have similar chemical	The elements are in rows in order of their atomic number or their number of protons. Elements in the same period have the same number
The group an element is in will also tell you how many electrons an atom of that element has in its outer shell – so all elements in group 1 have electrons in their outer shell, all elements in group 2 have electrons in their outer shell.	of surrounding their nucleus – so all the elements in period 2, such as lithium, carbon and oxygen have shells surrounding their nucleus. All the elements in period 3, such as sodium, chlorine and argon have shells surrounding their nucleus.









	Question	Answer	Mark
1	Which two sub-atomic particles are found in the nucleus of an atom?		
2	Does the nucleus of an atom have a positive or negative charge?		
3	Do the electrons, found in the shells surrounding the nucleus, have a positive or negative charge?		
4	What is the charge of a proton?		
5	What is the charge of an electron?		
6	What is the name given to elements in group seven of the periodic table?		
7	How many electrons will atoms of group seven elements have in their outer shell?		
8	What is the name given to elements in group zero of the periodic table?		
9	Why are elements in group zero unreactive?		
10	Is the relative atomic mass of an element the top number or the bottom number on the periodic table?		
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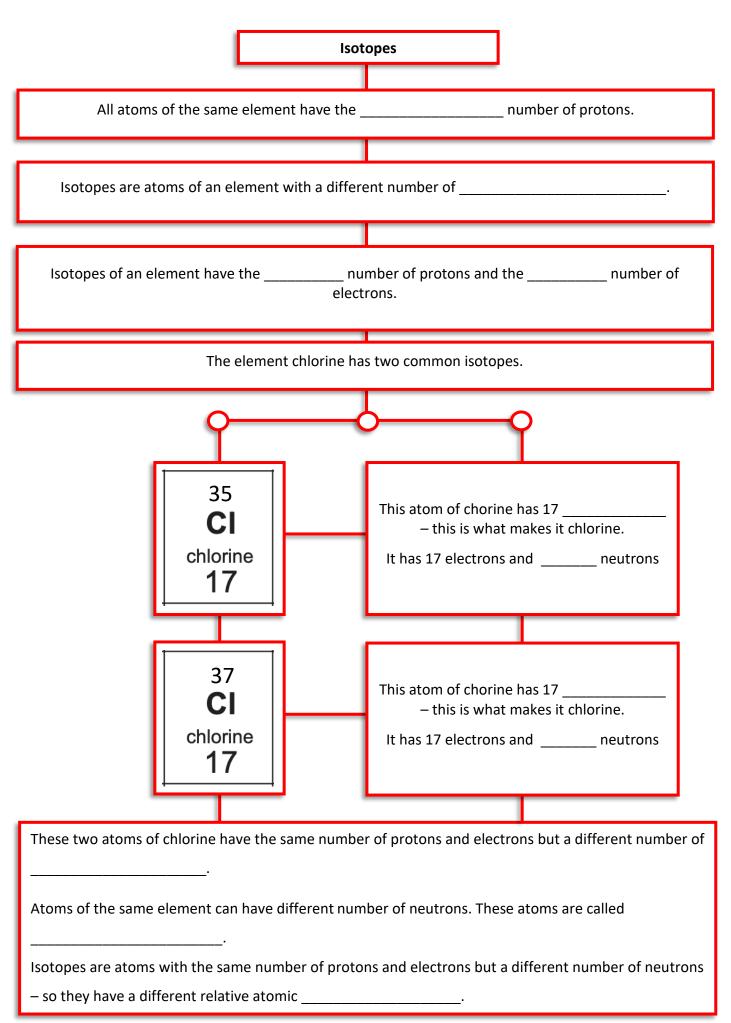


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What is this a diagram of? Use this information and your own knowledge to answer the following questions 1. How many protons would it have? 2. What is the relative charge of a proton?	Mg magnesium 12
3. How many electrons would it have?4. What is the relative charge of an electron?5. How many neutrons would it have?4. What is the relative charge of a neutron?	6. What group of the periodic table would this element be in? 7. How do you know?
5. Why would it have no overall charge?	



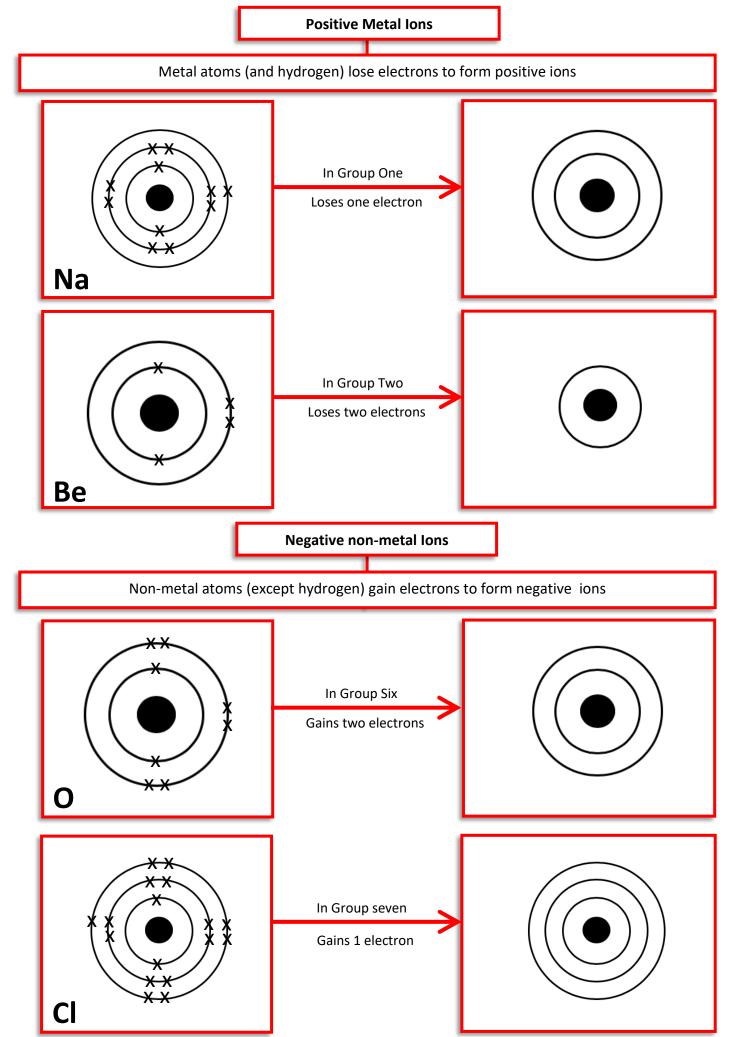
Atoms All atoms of the same element have the same number of . . . Atoms are made up of a central _____ containing protons and neutrons. Surrounding the nucleus there are energy levels or shells where the ______ are found, which orbit the nucleus. The number of protons in an atom cannot ______ – the number of protons determines what element the atom is. The number on the periodic table tells us how many protons an atom has. An atom of sulfur has _____ protons. All atoms of sulfur will have ____ protons in their nucleus, this is what makes sulfur it an atom of sulfur. 16 39 An atom of potassium has _____ protons. All atoms of potassium will have _____ protons in their nucleus, this is what makes potassium it an atom of potassium. 19 Atoms have no overall ______. This is because they have the ______ number of protons as electrons. Protons have a positive charge of ______. Electrons have a negative charge of ______. Since the number of protons is the same as the number of electrons the positive charges cancel out the negative charges, so the atom has no _____ charge.



lons All atoms of the same element have the number of protons. Ions are atoms that have lost or gained Ions always have a **Positive** Negative lons lons Non-metal atoms ____ Metal atoms _____ the electrons in their _____ electrons to get a full outer shell when they become an ion. outer shell when they become an ion. This means they have more electrons than protons This means they have more protons than electrons so they will have a ____ charge. so they will have a _____ charge. If it loses 1 electron it will have a charge of ______. If it gains 1 electron it will have a charge of ______. If it gains 2 electrons it will have a charge of _____. If it loses 2 electrons it will have a charge of _____. If it gains 3 electrons it will have a charge of _____. If it loses 3 electrons it will have a charge of ______. When non-metal atoms gain electrons to form The only non-metal atom that forms a positive ion is negative _____ their name changes to end in ide hydrogen – it loses the 1 electron in tis outer shell e.g. an oxygen atom gains 2 electrons to form a to give it a charge of _____ negative ______ ion with a charge of -2.

All ions have a _____ outer shell of electrons and all atoms have a charge. If an atom gains electrons it

will have a _____ charge. If an atom loses electrons it will have a _____ charge



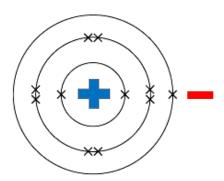




	Question	Answer	Mark
1	Which sub-atomic particle has a positive charge?		
2	Which sub-atomic particle has a negative charge?		
3	How does the number of protons in an atom compare to the number of electrons?		
4	What is the name given to an atom with a different number of neutrons?		
5	What is the name given to an atom that has lost or gained electrons?		
6	Does the nucleus of an atom have a positive charge or a negative charge?		
7	What is the general name for elements in group 1?		
8	How many electrons will an atom of an element in group 1 have in its outer shell?		
9	Will an atom of a group 1 element gain or lose electrons when it forms an ion?		
10	What will the charge of a group 1 ion be?		
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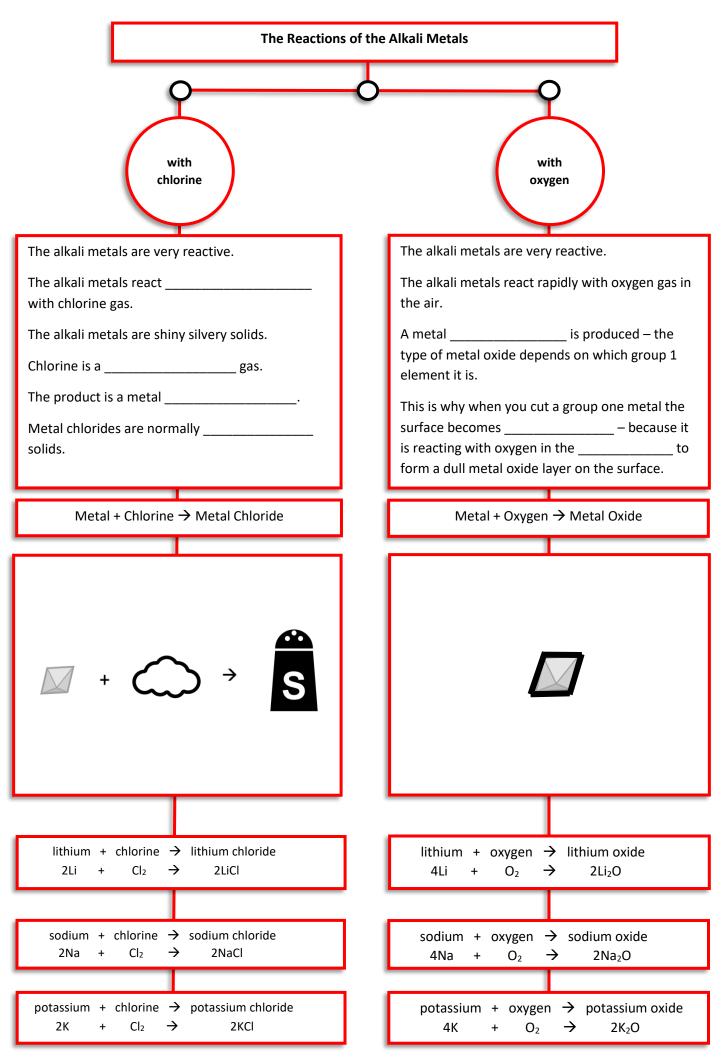
The diagram above shows an atom of sodium in group 1. What do you think keeps the negative electrons in orbit
around the positive nucleus? (What is the name of the forces of attraction between a positive charge and a
negative charge?)

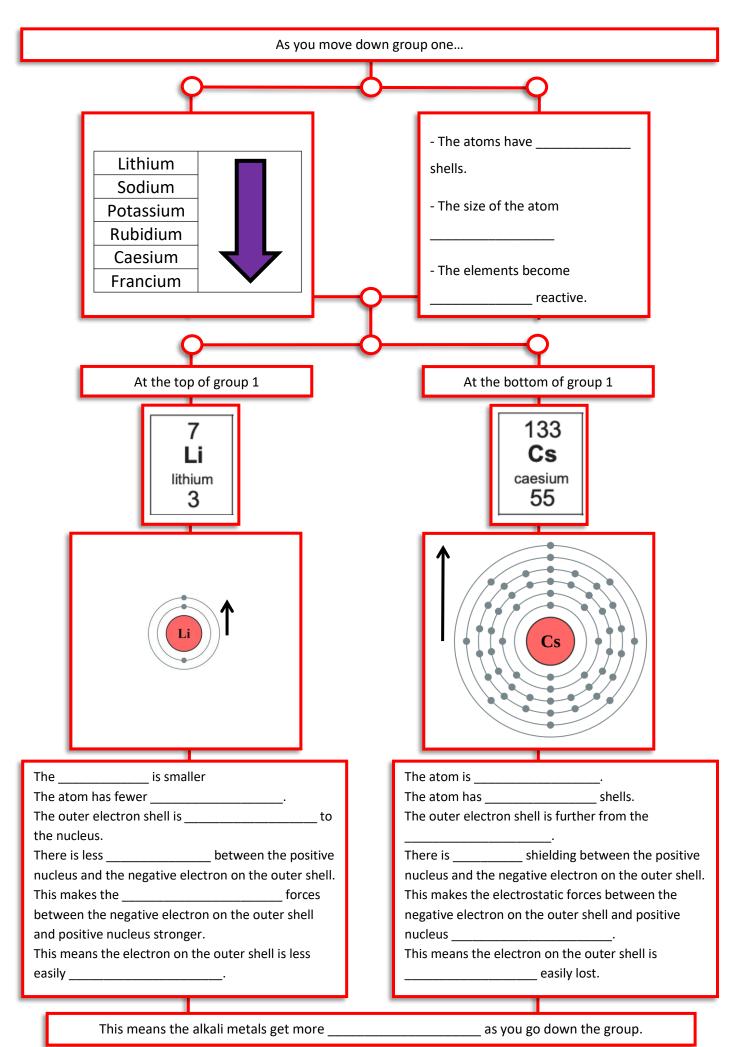


	The alkali metals are in group of the periodic table.	The alkali metals are :
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HE ALKALI METALS	The alkali metals are, silvery solids.	This is because they are, and found on the hand side of the periodic table.
KALI N	The alkali metals are	The alkali metals can be easily with a knife.
HE AL	The alkali metals must be stored in	This is because the alkali metals are so reactive – if they are not stored in oil they will react with the in the air.
—	Have a density.	Lithium, sodium and potassium are all less dense than water so they will on the surface of water.
	Form positive ions with a charge of so form compounds with non-metals	Group one metals form ions when they lose their outer shell electron. They bond with non-metals ions to form compounds. These compounds are usually solids, such as sodium chloride.

with water The alkali metals react vigorously with water. They will float and move about on the surface of the water. Hydrogen gas is produced so you will see ______. A metal hydroxide is also produced. Metal hydroxides are alkali so if you add universal indicator it will turn __. This is why the group 1 metals are called the alkali metals. metal hydroxide metal water hydrogen Observations when the metal is added: Observations of the products: Observations when universal indicator is added and why: lithium \rightarrow hydrogen lithium hydroxide + water \rightarrow 2Li 2LiOH H_2 + $2H_2O$ sodium water sodium hydroxide hydrogen \rightarrow 2Na 2H₂O 2NaOH + H_2 + \rightarrow potassium hydroxide potassium water hydrogen 2K 2H₂O \rightarrow 2KOH H_2 +

The Reactions of the Alkali Metals





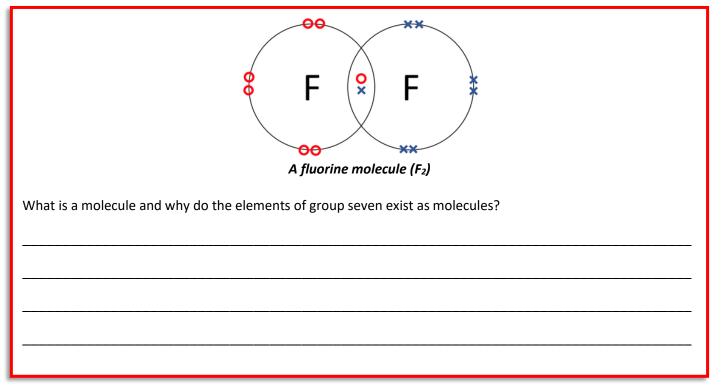




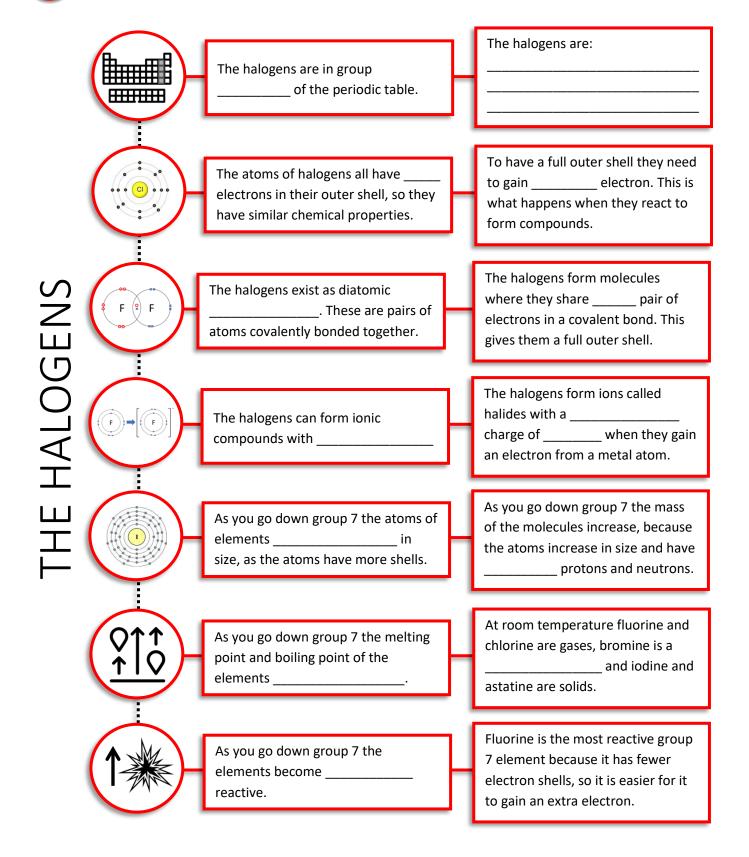
	Question	Answer	Mark
1	What is the general name for the elements in group 7?		
2	How many electrons will atoms of elements in group 7 have in their outer shell?		
3	How many more electrons do atoms of elements in group 7 need to have a full outer shell?		
4	Are elements in group 7 metals or non-metals?		
5	What is the name given to the sub-atomic particle with a positive charge?		
6	What is the name given to the sub-atomic particle with a negative charge?		
7	Will an atom of a group 7 element gain or lose electrons when it forms an ion?		
8	What will the charge of a group 7 ion be?		
9	What will be the name of the ion when a chlorine atom becomes an ion?		
10	What will be the formula of the ion when a chlorine atom becomes an ion?		
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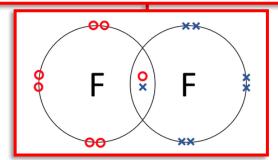


The halogens exist as pairs of atoms called molecules

The halogens do not exist as individual atoms, instead they exist as pairs of atoms. For example, fluorine exists as F₂, chlorine exists as Cl₂, bromine exists as Br₂ and iodine exists as I₂.

These pairs of atoms are called diatomic molecules, because they are made up of two atoms covalently bonded together.

The atoms form a covalent bond with one another and share one pair of electrons. This gives them a full outer shell and a stable arrangement.



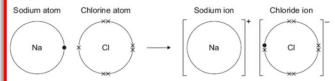
with metals with non-metals

The halogens form ionic bonds with metals to form ionic compounds.

The halogens form ions with a negative charge of -1 called halides.

Examples of the halide ions are F⁻, Cl⁻, Br⁻ and I⁻

For example, chlorine bonds with sodium to form sodium chloride:



The sodium atom transfers an electron to the chlorine atom.

The sodium atom becomes a positively charged sodium ion with a charge of +1.

The chlorine atom becomes a negatively charged chloride ion with a charge of -1

The atoms are oppositely charged and so are attracted to one another. The oppositely charged ions are held together with strong electrostatic forces of attraction, forming the ionic bond.

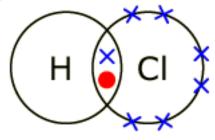
The ionic compound is a salt called sodium chloride.

The halogens form covalent bonds with non-metals to form covalent compounds.

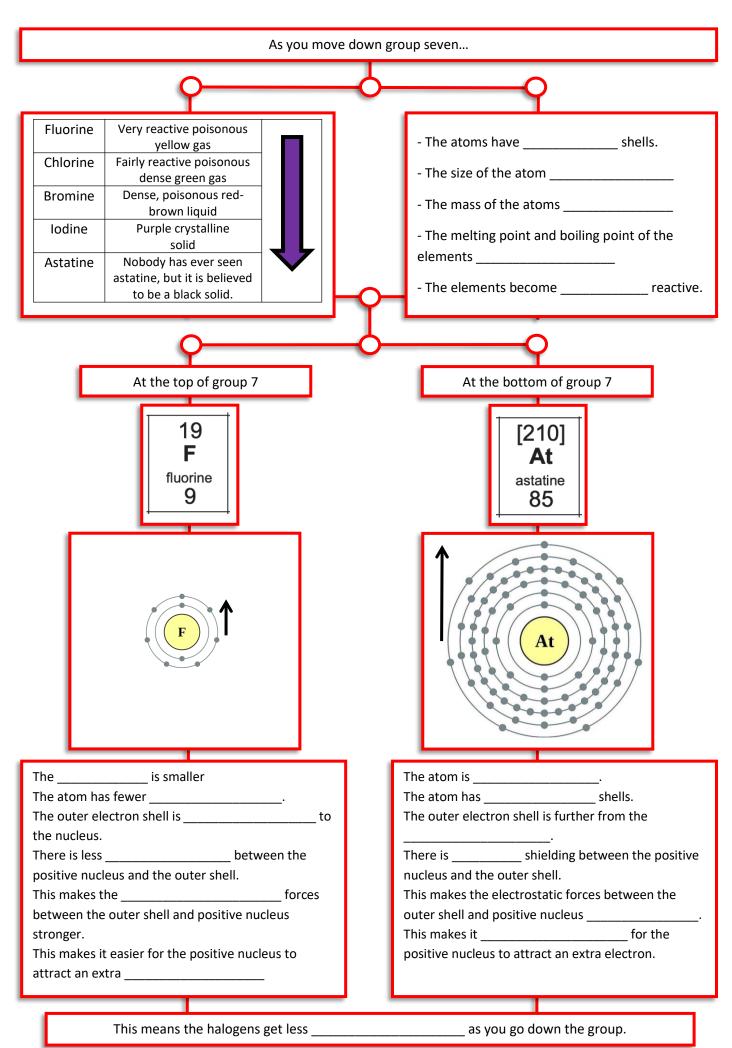
These covalent compounds are called molecules – because they are made up of two or more non-metal atoms covalently bonded together.

In a covalent bond the atoms share pairs of electrons to give them a full outer shell of electrons and a stable arrangement.

For example, chlorine bonds with hydrogen to form hydrogen chloride.



The hydrogen and chlorine atom share one pair of electrons, so that they will then both have a full outer shell of electrons. The chlorine atom now has 8 electrons in its outer shell, and the hydrogen atom now has 2 electrons in its outer shell – making them both full.



Displacement reactions involving the halogens.

In a displacement reaction a more reactive element displaces a less reactive element.

The group seven elements can displace one another if they are more reactive e.g.



fluorine + sodium chloride → sodium fluoride + chlorine

The fluorine has displaced (pushed out) the chorine because fluorine is more reactive than chlorine.

The fluorine and chlorine swap places, and the fluorine becomes part of the compound with the sodium.

Group 7 Element	Can displace:	Reactivity
Fluorine	Chlorine, bromine, iodine and astatine	Most Reactive
Chlorine	bromine, iodine and astatine	
Bromine	iodine and astatine	
lodine	astatine	*
Astatine	-	Least Reactive

In the following examples consider whether a displacement reaction would take place.

If a reaction would take place give the product of the chemical reaction:

Reactants		Products if a reaction takes place
fluorine + sodium chloride	\rightarrow	Sodium fluoride + chlorine
chlorine + sodium fluoride	\rightarrow	No reaction
bromine + sodium iodide	\rightarrow	Sodium bromide +
bromine + sodium chloride	\rightarrow	No reaction
fluorine + potassium chloride	\rightarrow	Potassium fluoride +
chlorine + potassium fluoride	\rightarrow	No reaction
bromine + potassium iodide	\rightarrow	Potassium bromide +
bromine + potassium chloride	\rightarrow	No reaction
Fluorine + magnesium iodide	\rightarrow	
Chlorine + magnesium bromide	\rightarrow	
Bromine + magnesium fluoride	\rightarrow	
Chlorine + magnesium fluoride	\rightarrow	

A more reactive halogen can	a less reactive halogen.
The most reactive halogen is	, which can displace all the other halogens.





	Question	Answer	Mark
1	Which two sub-atomic particles are found in the nucleus of an atom?		
2	Where are electrons found in an atom?		
3	What is the name given to an atom with a different number of neutrons?		
4	What does the bottom (atomic) number on the periodic table tell you about an atom?		
5	How does the number of protons compare to the number of electrons in an atom?		
6	What is the general name for elements in group 1 of the periodic table?		
7	Why do all of the elements in group 1 have similar chemical properties?		
8	What is the general name for elements in group 7 of the periodic table?		
9	What is the general name for elements in group 0 of the periodic table?		
10	Why are all of the elements in group 0 unreactive?		
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This key is on your periodic table:

relative atomic mass atomic symbol

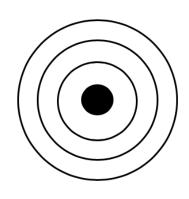
name

atomic (proton) number

Use this key and your own knowledge to complete the table and draw the electronic structure of phosphorus.

31 P phosphorus 15

Name of element	
Symbol of element	
Relative atomic mass	
Atomic number	
Number of protons	
Number of electrons	
Number of neutrons	
Electronic structure	





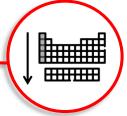
The Periodic Table Now

24 **Mg** magnesium 12 Scientists all over the world use the periodic table.

In the periodic table elements are in order of their atomic number (number of protons).

Elements with similar properties are found in the same group.

The table is called a periodic table because similar properties appear at regular intervals.



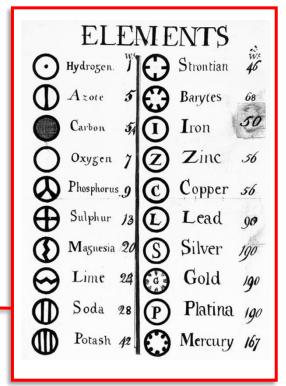
The Periodic Table Then

In 1789 a French chemist called Antoine Lavoisier defined an element as a substance that cannot be broken down into a simpler substance by a chemical reaction.

In the 1700's they had discovered elements such as oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen, mercury, zinc and sulphur – but they did not know that sub-atomic particles existed. They knew nothing about protons, neutrons and electrons.

By 1789, 27 of the substances we now know as elements had been discovered. Though scientists at the time did not recognise them all as elements. Lavoisier attempted to put the elements he knew of into a list. He tried to group them by their properties, such as if they were metals or non-metals – but he also included light and a substance called caloric, because at that time they though heat was a fluid!

In 1808 John Dalton, a Manchester based scientist, assigned atomic weights to 20 of the elements he knew about at that time. He said that each element consisted of its own unique brand of indivisible atom; atoms of one element are all alike but they differ from atoms of other elements.



This led to many scientists trying to create periodic tables arranging elements in order of their atomic weight.

However, the early periodic tables were wrong and incomplete – because a number of elements had not been discovered yet - and some elements were placed into inappropriate groups when they used the atomic weights to order them. For example, non-metals were placed in groups with metals.

Dmitri Mendeleev, a Russian scientist, is known as the father of the modern periodic table. In 1869 he published his periodic table. He also ordered the elements by atomic weight, but he overcame some of the problems faced by other scientists by:

- leaving gaps for elements that hadn't been discovered yet.
- changing the order of some of the elements. (Rather than just basing it on atomic weight he swapped some of the elements around to make sure elements with similar properties were together.)

Evidence for Mendeleev's Periodic Table

Mendeleev left gaps for elements that hadn't been discovered yet.

As he made sure that elements with similar properties were placed together, it meant he was able to predict the properties of the elements he had left gaps for – that hadn't been discovered yet!

The element that really provided evidence to show Mendeleev was on the right lines was gallium. In 1871 he predicted the existence of an as yet unknown element, calling it eka-aluminium. He left a gap for it on his periodic table. Based on where it would fit he predicted its atomic weight, density and melting point.

In 1875 the element gallium was discovered – it matched with the properties Mendeleev had predicted pretty much perfectly!



Dmitri Mendeleev 1834 - 1907

Moving on from Mendeleev

In 1897 the first sub-atomic particle – the electron was discovered by a scientist called J.J. Thomson – who was born in Cheetham Hill in Manchester.

In 1911 a scientist called Ernest Rutherford discovered that atoms had a nucleus, where the mass of the atom was concentrated – and that the nucleus had a positive charge.

Henry Moseley was a scientist who worked with Ernest Rutherford in Manchester. He said that atomic numbers, not weights, determined how often similar chemical properties were repeated. In 1913 he proposed that the elements should be ordered by atomic number rather than atomic weight. He had discovered that the basic difference between elements is the number of positive charges they have and that this was equal to the atomic number. These positive charges were later discovered and called protons by Rutherford in 1919. Moseley realised that an element is defined by its number of positive charges. If an element has one positive charge it must be hydrogen; two positive charges *must* be helium, three positive charges *must* be lithium etc. Although this may seem obvious to us today, it was a huge discovery in 1913 - after years of searching, at last we had a periodic table that really worked. In 1914 Moseley left Rutherford's Manchester laboratory planning on going to Oxford to carry on his physics research, but the outbreak of World War 1 put a stop to those plans. He volunteered for the Royal Engineers of the British Army. He served in Gallipoli, Turkey as a telecommunications officer. On the 10th August 1915, at the age of 27, he was shot and killed by a sniper. Given all that he had accomplished at such a young age, Isaac Asimov noted that Moseley's death "might well have been the most costly single death of the war to mankind generally." Indeed, because of it, the British government established a new policy barring the country's most prominent scientists from engaging in active combat duty. Experts have speculated that Moseley could have been awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1916, if he had not been killed.

The term isotope was first used in 1913, by Scottish doctor Margaret Todd in a conversation with her cousin Frederick Soddy. He had discovered that atoms of the same element could have different atomic masses. This provided more evidence that elements should not be ordered by their atomic weight. The term isotope is a combination of the Greek word Isos, which means equal, and topos, the word for place. Todd suggested he call them isotopes, because they occupied the 'same place' in the periodic table.

James Chadwick was a scientist born in Cheshire, he was the son of a cotton spinner and domestic servant. At the age of 16 he sat an exam and won a scholarship to attend the University of Manchester. He walked the 4 miles to the university and back each day and studied under Ernest Rutherford. He would go on to discover the neutron in 1932. Chadwick was then able to explain the existence of isotopes through this discovery— because isotopes are atoms that have the same number of protons and electrons but a different number of neutrons, making the mass different.

Isotopes and the Periodic Table

Isotopes are naturally occurring atoms of the same element with a different number of neutrons – this gives the atoms a different atomic mass.

(Atomic mass = the mass of an individual atom = protons + neutrons)

The element chlorine has two common isotopes:

35

CI

chlorine

17

75% of all chlorine atoms have an atomic mass of 35

37

CI

chlorine

17

25% of all chlorine atoms have an atomic mass of 37

We can use this information to find the relative atomic mass of chlorine.

(Relative atomic mass = the average mass of atoms of that element, based on how abundant the atoms are.

Relative Atomic Mass = (Mass of isotope 1 x percentage) + (Mass of isotope 2 x percentage)

100

Relative atomic mass of chlorine = $(35 \times 75) + (37 \times 25)$

100

Relative atomic mass of chlorine = 2625 + 925

100

Relative atomic mass of chlorine = 3550

100

Relative atomic mass of chlorine = 35.5

This is why in the periodic table the relative atomic mass is given as 35.5

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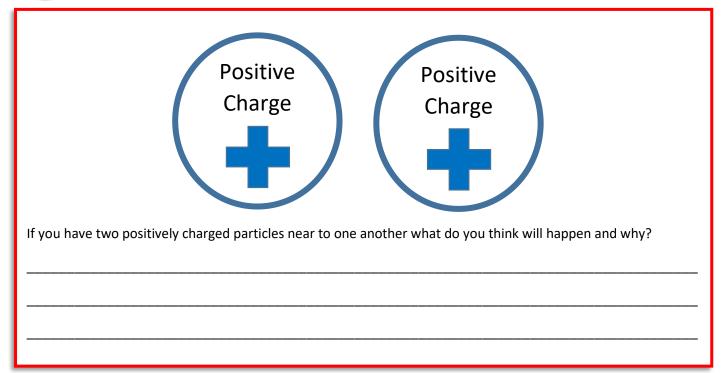
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	Question	Answer	Mark
1	Which sub-atomic particles are found in the nucleus of an atom?		
2	Which sub-atomic particles are found in shells surrounding the nucleus?		
3	What is the relative charge of a proton?		
4	What is the relative charge of a neutron?		
5	What is the relative charge of an electron?		
6	What is the relative mass of a proton?		
7	What is the relative mass of a neutron?		
8	What is the relative mass of an electron?		
9	Is the nucleus of an atom positively or negatively charged?		
10	Is the mass of an atom concentrated in the nucleus or the shells surrounding the nucleus?		
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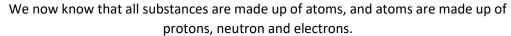


ACTIVATE KNOWLEDGE





The Atom Now



We know that protons and neutrons are found in the nucleus and electrons are found in shells surrounding the nucleus.

We know the first shell can hold 2 electrons and the second and third shell can both hold 8 electrons each.

We know that protons have a positive charge, neutrons have no charge and electrons have a negative charge – so the nucleus of an atom is positively charged.

We know that protons and neutrons have a relative mass of 1 and the relative mass of an electron is very small – so the mass of an atom is concentrated in the nucleus.

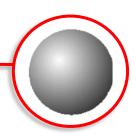
But we didn't always know this. Over time there have been lots of theories about what an atom looks like and what it is made up of. The development of ideas about the atom is an excellent example of a model changing over time – as more evidence was gathered the current model was changed and replaced – until we get to the model of the atom we have today.

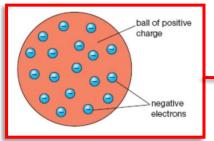


The Atom Then

Over 2000 years ago ancient Greek philosopher Democritus named atoms – calling them atomos, which means indivisible. He said that atoms were solid spheres which could not be divided into anything smaller.

John Dalton expanded on this model in 1803 with his billiard ball model – he said atoms of the same element are alike and atoms of different elements are different, and he agreed with Democritus that atoms were tiny solid spheres and it was impossible to divide an atom into anything smaller.





In 1897 the Manchester born scientist J.J. Thomson discovered the electron. This suggested an atom was not indivisible – but made up of smaller particles.

Thomson suggested the plum pudding model to represent what he thought an atom looked like.

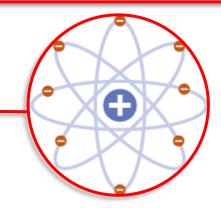
The plum pudding model suggested that the atom is a ball of positive charge with negative electrons embedded in it.

In 1911 Ernest Rutherford put forward the nuclear model of the atom.

This model suggested that:

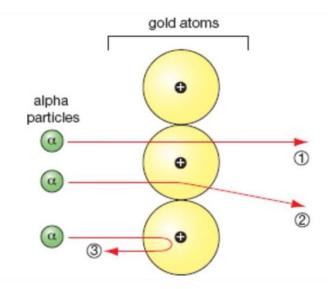
- The mass of an atom is concentrated in a central nucleus.
- The central nucleus of an atom is positively charged.
- The central nucleus of an atom is very small.
- Most of an atom is made up of empty space.

How did Rutherford develop these ideas? Through experimentation...



In 1911 Ernest Rutherford wanted to investigate what gold atoms were made up of so he took a very thin piece of gold foil – just 0.00004cm thick.

He fired alpha particles at the gold foil. Alpha particles are the nucleus of a helium atom – so are tiny positively charged particles. This is what happened when he fired the positive alpha articles at the gold foil:



What was observed	What this showed about the atom
1. Most of the alpha particles passed straight through	These alpha particles had passed through the space
the gold foil.	surrounding the nucleus. This showed that most of
	the atom is made up of empty space.
2. Some alpha particles passed though the gold foil,	These alpha particles had travelled near to the
but changed their direction as they moved through it.	nucleus of the gold atoms. This showed that the
	nucleus of an atom is positively charged, because the
	positively charged alpha particles were repelled by
	the positively charged gold nucleus.
3. A few alpha particles bounced off the gold fold and	These alpha particles had hit the nucleus of the gold
then went backwards.	atoms. This showed that the mass of the atom was
	concentrated at the central nucleus, and that the
	nucleus was very small.

In 1913 Niels Bohr a Danish scientist, developed this model of the atom even further. He suggested the model of the atom called the energy level model.

He agreed with Rutherford that the mass of the atom was concentrated at the nucleus and the nucleus was positively charged.

He was the first to realise that electrons travel in separate orbits around the nucleus. He developed Rutherford's model by suggesting that electrons orbit the nucleus at specific distances in energy levels or shells.



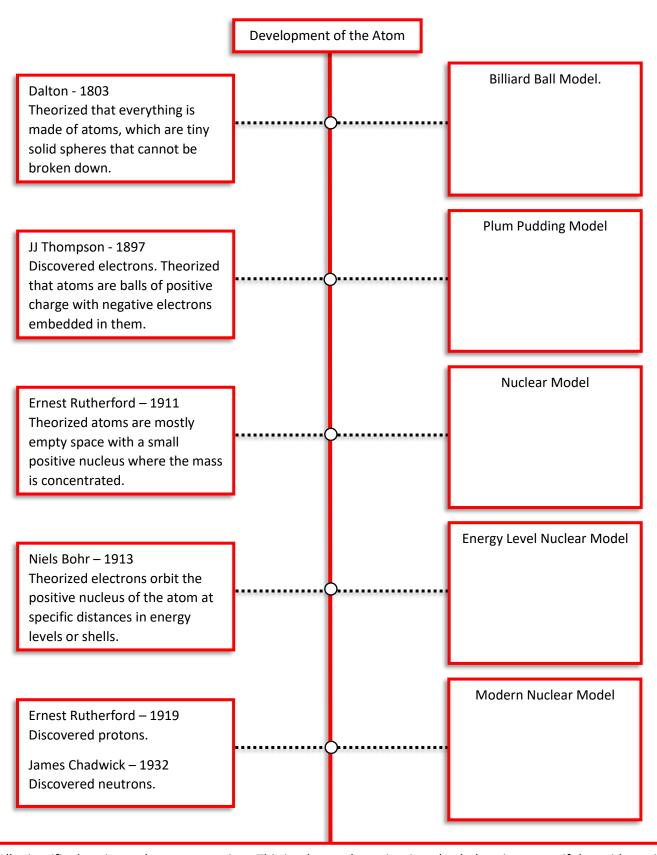
Later experiments led to the idea that the positively charged nucleus was actually made up of smaller positively charged particles called protons. Protons were discovered by Ernest Rutherford in 1919. Each proton has the same amount of positive charge giving it a relative charge of +1.



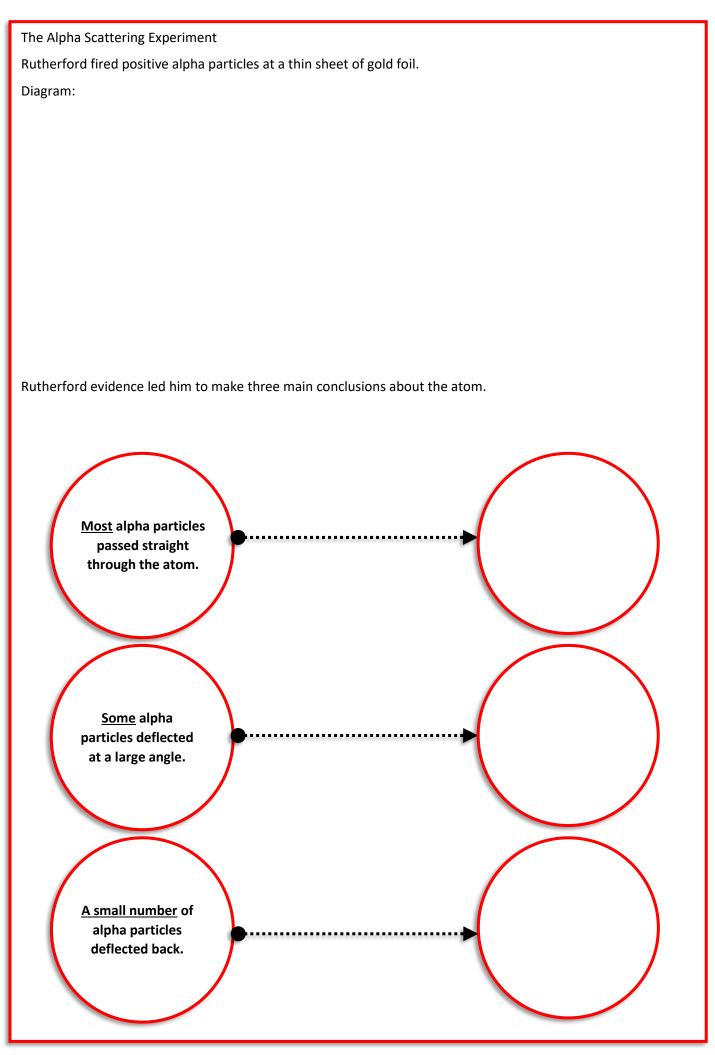
In 1932, about 20 years after the nucleus was first discovered James Chadwick provided experimental evidence to prove the existence of neutrons within the nucleus.

This led to the atomic model we use today. We now know that a single atom has a radius of about 0.1nm $(1 \times 10^{-10} \text{m})$ and the radius of a nucleus is less than 1/10,000 of the atom (about $1 \times 10^{-14} \text{m}$)

Scientific theories and models develop over time as new evidence is discovered which disproves old theories. New theories are made to explain the new evidence.



All scientific theories undergo peer review. This is where other scientists check theories to see if the evidence is correct. Peer review is important to avoid bias and improve validity.





	Question	Answer	Mark
1	What was used to order atoms in the first periodic table?		
2	What is used to order atoms in the modern periodic table?		
3	Which scientist developed the modern periodic table?		
4	How did Mendeleev ensure that as yet undiscovered would fit in his periodic table?		
5	What did Mendeleev do so that elements with similar properties would be together in his periodic table?		
6	The discovery of which type of atom, with a different number of neutrons, showed that the early periodic tables were wrong?		
7	How did Mendeleev's predicted properties of undiscovered elements compare to their actual properties when they were discovered?		
8	What does the atomic number of an atom tell us about the atom?		
9	What does the atomic number of an atom tell us about the atom?		
10	What does the mass number of an atom tell us about the atom?		
	Score:		

	Question	Answer	Mark
1	What is the name of the early atomic model describing a ball of positive charge with negative electrons embedded in it?		
2	Which scientist discovered neutrons?		
3	Which scientist discovered electrons orbit the nucleus?		
4	Which scientist discovered protons?		
5	Which scientist discovered electrons and suggested the plum pudding model?		
6	In the alpha scattering experiment most alpha particles passed through the gold foil. What did this tell us about atoms?		
7	In the alpha scattering experiment some alpha particles changed angle as they passed through the gold foil. What did this tell us about atoms?		
8	In the alpha scattering experiment a few alpha particles bounced back off the gold foil. Name one thing this told us about atoms?		
9	Which of the three sub-atomic particles was discovered first?		
10	Which of the three sub-atomic particles was discovered most recently?		
	Score:		