

# The Periodic Table: Chemical Periodicity

## Question Paper 9

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**Grade Boundaries:**

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

1 The alkali metals are a series of six elements in Group I of the Periodic Table. The first ionisation energy of these elements shows a marked trend as the Group is descended.

(a) Define the term *first ionisation energy*.

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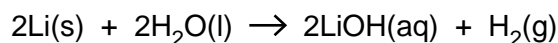
(b) (i) State and explain the trend in first ionisation energy as Group I is descended.

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(ii) Suggest how this trend helps to explain the increase in the reactivity of the elements as the Group is descended.

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(c) In a redox reaction, 0.83g of lithium reacted with water to form 0.50dm<sup>3</sup> of aqueous lithium hydroxide.



(i) Calculate the amount, in moles, of lithium that reacted.

(ii) Calculate the volume of hydrogen produced at room temperature and pressure.

(iii) Calculate the concentration, in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$ , of the  $\text{LiOH(aq)}$  formed.

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(d) When heated in chlorine, all of the alkali metals react to form the corresponding chloride.

Describe what you see when sodium is heated in chlorine and write a balanced equation for the reaction.

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- 2 The element magnesium, Mg, proton number 12, is a metal which is used in many alloys which are strong and light.

Magnesium has several naturally occurring isotopes.

- (a) What is meant by the term *isotope*?

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- (b) Complete the table below for two of the isotopes of magnesium.

isotope	number of protons	number of neutrons	number of electrons
$^{24}\text{Mg}$			
$^{26}\text{Mg}$			

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A sample of magnesium had the following isotopic composition:  
 $^{24}\text{Mg}$ , 78.60%;  $^{25}\text{Mg}$ , 10.11%;  $^{26}\text{Mg}$ , 11.29%.

- (c) Calculate the relative atomic mass,  $A_r$ , of magnesium in the sample.  
Express your answer to an appropriate number of significant figures.

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Antimony, Sb, proton number 51, is another element which is used in alloys.

Magnesium and antimony each react when heated separately in chlorine.

**(d)** Construct a balanced equation for the reaction between magnesium and chlorine.

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When a 2.45 g sample of antimony was heated in chlorine under suitable conditions, 4.57 g of a chloride **A** were formed.

**(e) (i)** Calculate the amount, in moles, of antimony atoms that reacted.

**(ii)** Calculate the amount, in moles, of chlorine atoms that reacted.

**(iii)** Use your answers to **(i)** and **(ii)** to determine the empirical formula of **A**.

**(iv)** The empirical and molecular formulae of **A** are the same.

Construct a balanced equation for the reaction between antimony and chlorine.

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**(f)** The chloride **A** melts at 73.4 °C while magnesium chloride melts at 714 °C.

**(i)** What type of bonding is present in magnesium chloride?

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**(ii)** Suggest what type of bonding is present in **A**.

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