AQA GCSE Chemistry | 8462

SPECIFICATION POINT 4.1.3.2

Typical properties

Past-paper questions

Tier	**Foundation**
Question groups	**18**
Available paper years	**2007–2025**

Using this booklet

1. Answer the questions in order and show your working.
2. Original question numbers and marks are retained.
3. Print at actual size (100%) for measuring questions.
4. Use the companion answer booklet to check your work.

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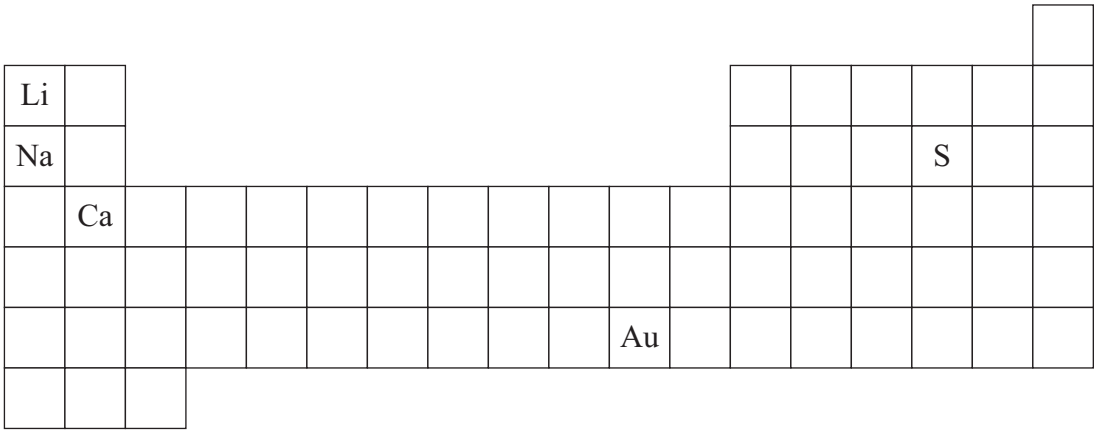
4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 01

June 2007 | CHY1A | Original Q2 | Legacy

QUESTION TWO

The diagram shows the position of some elements in the periodic table.



Match elements, **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, with the numbers **1–4** in the table.

A gold (Au)

B lithium (Li)

C calcium (Ca)

D sulfur (S)

	What we can say about the element
1	It is combined with the element oxygen in quicklime.
2	It is in a compound that produces acid rain.
3	It is an unreactive transition metal.
4	It has similar chemical properties to sodium.

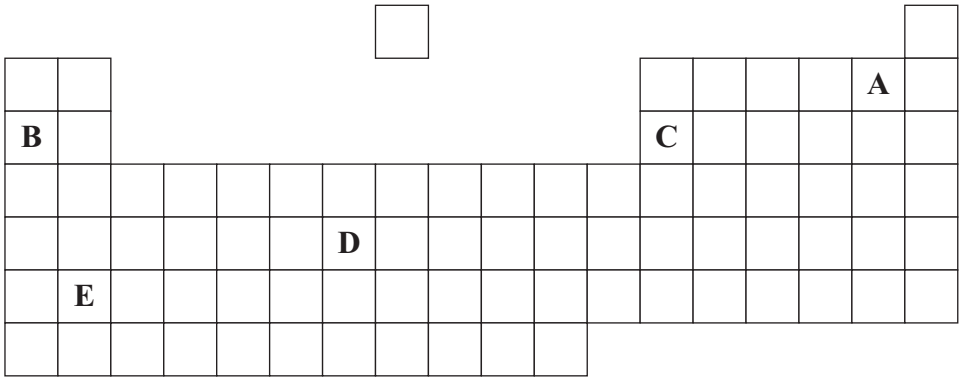
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Question 02

January 2008 | CHY3F | Original Q1 | Legacy

1 (a) The periodic table on the Data Sheet may help you to answer this question.

Part of the periodic table is shown below.



Choose your answers **only** from the letters shown in the periodic table above.

Which letter, **A** to **E**, represents:

(i) sodium Letter .....

(1 mark)

(ii) a non-metal Letter .....

(1 mark)

(iii) a Group 2 element Letter .....

(1 mark)

(iv) a transition element? Letter .....

(1 mark)

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 02 · continued

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(b) Complete these sentences by drawing a ring around the correct answer.

(i) Attempts to classify the elements into a periodic table were made

by | Arrhenius and Dalton / Brønsted and Lowry / Mendeleev and Newlands | .

(1 mark)

(ii) They arranged the elements in order of their | atomic weight / melting point / reactivity | .

(1 mark)

(iii) They put elements in the same Group if they had similar | boiling points / chemical reactions / electrical conductivities | .

(1 mark)

(iv) We now know that elements in the same Group have the same number of

| electrons / neutrons / protons | in their outer shell (energy level).

(1 mark)

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Question 03

November 2009 | CHY1AP | Original Q2 | Legacy

QUESTION TWO

This question is about metals.

Match substances, **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, with the numbers **1–4** in the table.

A metal ore

B reactive metal

C transition metal

D metal alloy

1	a substance that contains enough metal to make it worth extracting
2	a mixture of metals
3	a metal that is found in the central block of the periodic table
4	a metal that cannot be extracted by reduction using carbon

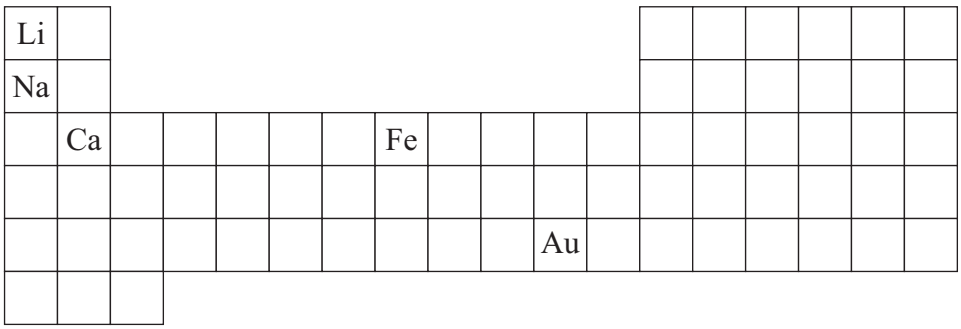
4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 04

November 2009 | CHY1AP | Original Q5 | Legacy

QUESTION FIVE

The diagram shows part of the periodic table.



Match elements, **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, with the numbers **1–4** in the table below.

A Calcium (Ca)

B Lithium (Li)

C Gold (Au)

D Iron (Fe)

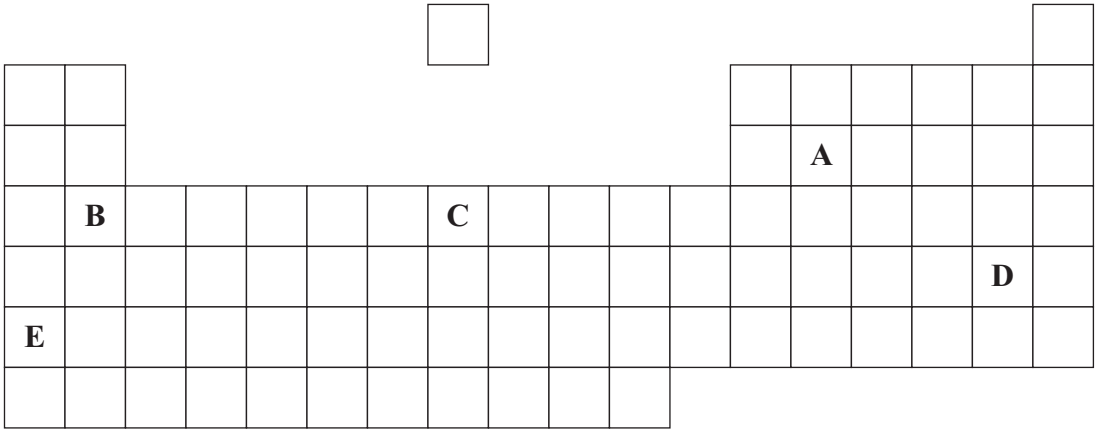
1	It will not react with oxygen or water even at high temperatures.
2	It forms the oxide known as quicklime.
3	It has properties most similar to those of sodium (Na).
4	It is a transition element found in the Earth as an oxide.

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Question 05

1 (a) The periodic table on the Data Sheet may help you to answer these questions.

Part of the periodic table is shown below.



The letters are **not** the symbols of these elements.

Choose your answers **only** from the letters shown in the periodic table above.

Which letter, **A, B, C, D** or **E**, represents:

1 (a) (i) an alkali metal Letter ☐

(1 mark)

1 (a) (ii) the element calcium Letter ☐

(1 mark)

1 (a) (iii) a transition element Letter ☐

(1 mark)

1 (a) (iv) a Group 4 element? Letter ☐

(1 mark)

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 05 · continued

for mark

1 (b) A chemistry teacher demonstrated the reaction between sodium and water to some students. One of the students wrote the following notes.

The reaction between sodium and water

A piece of sodium was cut easily into smaller pieces with a knife.

The sodium was added to water in a trough.

The sodium:
- floated
- melted quickly to give a silvery ball
- moved on the surface of the water
- fizzed.

Use the information in the box to help you to answer these questions.

What evidence is there that:

1 (b) (i) sodium has a low melting point

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(1 mark)

1 (b) (ii) sodium is soft

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(1 mark)

1 (b) (iii) a gas was produced?

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(1 mark)

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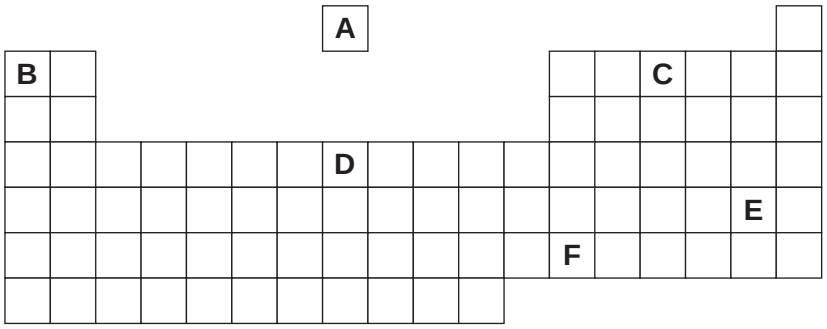
Question 06

June 2010 | CHY3F | Original Q3 | Legacy

3 (a) Use the periodic table on the Data Sheet to help you answer these questions.

Part of the periodic table is shown below.

The letters are **not** the symbols of the elements.



Choose your answers **only** from the letters shown in the periodic table above.

Which letter, **A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E** or **F**, represents

3 (a) (i) hydrogen Letter ☐

(1 mark)

3 (a) (ii) a Group 3 element Letter ☐

(1 mark)

3 (a) (iii) a halogen Letter ☐

(1 mark)

3 (a) (iv) the element with atomic (proton) number of 7 Letter ☐

(1 mark)

3 (a) (v) an element with one electron in its outer shell? Letter ☐

(1 mark)

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 06 · continued

3 (b) The table shows the melting points of the Group 1 metals arranged in alphabetical order.

Group 1 metal		
Name	**Symbol**	**Melting point in °C**
Caesium	Cs	29
Francium	Fr	27
Lithium	Li	180
Potassium	K	64
Rubidium	Rb	39
Sodium	Na	98

3 (b) (i) Arrange these metals in order of increasing melting point. Three have been done for you.

Fr Cs Li

Lowest ⟶ Highest

(1 mark)

3 (b) (ii) Use the periodic table on the Data Sheet **and** your answer in part (b)(i) above to complete this sentence about how the melting points change.

Going down Group 1, the melting points ..... .

(1 mark)

3 (c) The transition metals are a block of elements between Groups 2 and 3 of the periodic table. Transition metals have different properties to Group 1 metals.

Put ticks (✓) next to the **three** correct statements about transition metals in the table below.

Statement	(✓)
They are harder than Group 1 metals	
They have lower densities than Group 1 metals	
They have higher melting points than Group 1 metals	
They are more reactive with water than Group 1 metals	
They often form coloured compounds but Group 1 compounds are usually white	

(3 marks)

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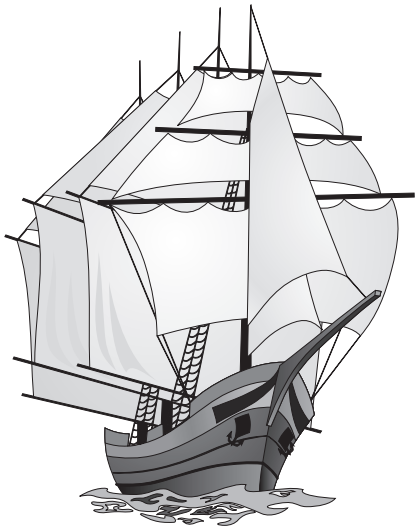
4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 07

June 2011 | CHY3F | Original Q6 | Legacy

6 Read the information about protecting the bottoms of ships.

A Copper-bottomed Investment



From the 16th to the 19th century, the bottoms of many wooden ships were protected from marine organisms by being covered with sheets of metal.

At first lead was used on the bottoms of ships, then copper was used until 1832 when Muntz Metal replaced it. Muntz Metal is an alloy of two transition metals, copper and zinc.

Table of data

	Lead	Copper	Muntz Metal
Cost (£/kg)	£1.20	£3.20	£2.30
Melting point (°C)	327	1083	904
Stops sea worms attacking wood	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stops barnacles and seaweed sticking to the bottom of the ship	No	Yes	Yes

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 07 · continued

6 (a) Use the information to answer the following questions.

6 (a) (i) Suggest why copper replaced lead.

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(1 mark)

6 (a) (ii) Suggest why Muntz Metal replaced copper.

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(1 mark)

6 (b) A sample of Muntz Metal contains a very small amount of iron as an impurity.

6 (b) (i) Name an instrumental method of analysis that could be used to detect iron.

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(1 mark)

6 (b) (ii) Suggest why an instrumental method would detect the iron in this sample of Muntz Metal but a chemical method is **not** likely to be successful.

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(1 mark)

6 (c) Today, ships are made from steel. Steels are alloys of iron, a transition metal.

Give **two** properties of transition metals that make them suitable for making ships.

Property 1 .....

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Property 2 .....

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(2 marks)

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 08

June 2013 | CH3FP | Original Q3 | Legacy

3 This question is about the periodic table.

Use the Chemistry Data Sheet to help you answer these questions.

3 (a) Complete the sentences.

Elements in the periodic table are arranged in order of atomic ..... .

The elements in Group ..... are called the noble gases.

(2 marks)

3 (b) Calcium (Ca) is in Group 2.

Name **one** other element in Group 2.

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(1 mark)

3 (c) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete each sentence.

3 (c) (i) Sodium (Na) is

an alkali metal.

a non-metal.

a transition metal.

(1 mark)

3 (c) (ii) Nickel (Ni) is

an alkali metal.

a non-metal.

a transition metal.

(1 mark)

3 (d) In 1869 Mendeleev produced his periodic table.

Why did Mendeleev leave gaps in his periodic table?

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(1 mark)

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 09

June 2014 | CH3FP | Original Q1 | Legacy

1 This question is about the periodic table of elements.

Use the Chemistry Data Sheet to help you to answer these questions.

In 1869 Dmitri Mendeleev produced an early version of the periodic table.

1 (a) Draw a ring around the correct answer to complete each sentence.

1 (a) (i) Mendeleev first arranged the elements in order of their

atomic weight.

date of discovery.

electron number.

[1 mark]

1 (a) (ii) Mendeleev then placed elements with similar properties in columns called

groups.

periods.

shells.

[1 mark]

1 (a) (iii) When the next element did not fit the pattern,

Mendeleev

ignored the element.

left a gap.

put the element at the end of the row.

[1 mark]

1 (a) (iv) Mendeleev was not able to include the noble gases (Group 0) in his periodic table

because the noble gases

are not elements.

are not reactive.

had not been discovered by 1869.

[1 mark]

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Question 09 · continued June 2014 | CH3FP | Original Q1 | Legacy

1 (b) Use the correct word from the box to complete each sentence.

[2 marks]

electrons	**molecules**	**neutrons**	**protons**

In the modern periodic table elements are arranged in order of the number of ..... in their nucleus. Elements in the same group have the same number of ..... in their highest energy level (outer shell).

1 (c) Sodium (Na) is in Group 1 of the periodic table.

Nickel (Ni) is a transition element.

Tick (✓) **two** correct statements about sodium and nickel.

[2 marks]

Statement	Tick (✓)
Sodium and nickel are both metals.	
Sodium has a higher melting point than nickel.	
Sodium is more reactive than nickel.	
Sodium is harder than nickel.	

1 (d) Chlorine, bromine and iodine are in Group 7 of the periodic table.

Chlorine is more reactive than bromine.

1 (d) (i) Complete the word equation for the reaction between chlorine and sodium bromide.

[1 mark]

chlorine + sodium bromide ⟶ ..... + sodium chloride

1 (d) (ii) Why does iodine **not** react with sodium bromide solution?

[1 mark]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 10

2 Copper is a transition metal.

2 (a) (i) Where is copper in the periodic table?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

in the central block ☐

in Group 1 ☐

in the noble gas group ☐

2 (a) (ii) What is a property of copper?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

breaks easily ☐

conducts electricity ☐

does not conduct heat ☐

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 10 · continued

2 (b) Copper ores are quarried by digging large holes in the ground, as shown in **Figure 3**.

Figure 3



Give **two** reasons why quarrying is bad for the environment.

[2 marks]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 10 · continued

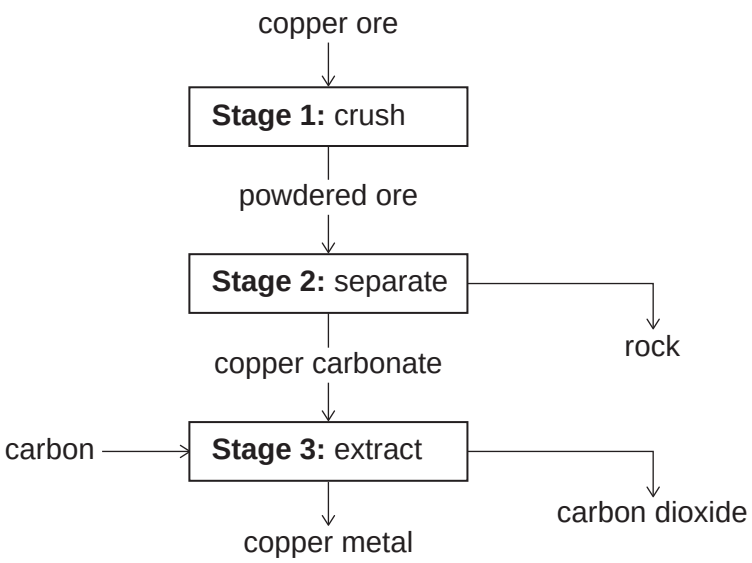
2 (c) Some copper ores contain only 2% copper.

Most of the ore is rock that is not needed.

In one ore, the main compound is copper carbonate ($CuCO_3$).

Figure 4 shows the stages used in the extraction of copper from this ore.

Figure 4



2 (c) (i) Why is **Stage 2** important?

[1 mark]

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.....

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 10 · continued

2 (c) (ii) The equation for the reaction in **Stage 3** is:

$$2\,CuCO_3 + C \longrightarrow 2\,Cu + 3\,CO_2$$

From the symbol equation a company calculated that 247 tonnes of copper carbonate are needed to produce 127 tonnes of copper and 132 tonnes of carbon dioxide are released.

Calculate the mass of carbon needed to make 127 tonnes of copper.

[2 marks]

copper carbonate	+	carbon	⟶	copper	+	carbon dioxide
247 tonnes		..... tonnes		127 tonnes		132 tonnes

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.....

2 (c) (iii) Suggest **one** reason why it is important for the company to calculate the mass of reactants in **Stage 3**.

[1 mark]

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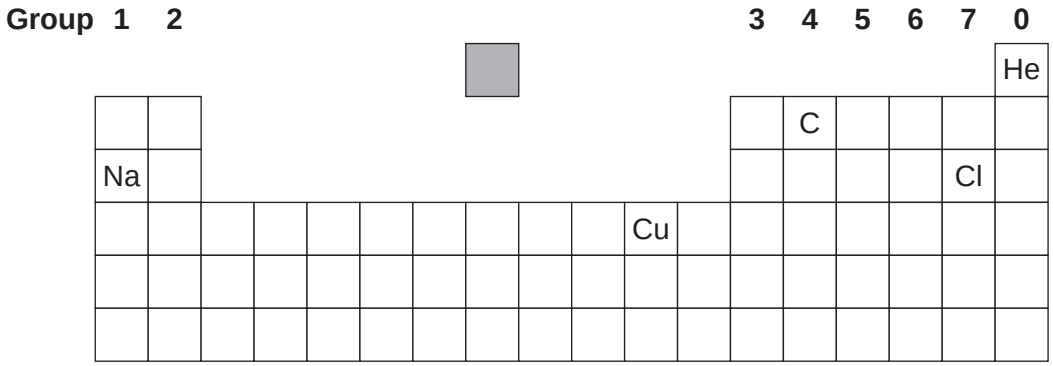
4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 11

June 2015 | CH3FP | Original Q2 | Legacy

2 **Figure 2** shows the chemical symbols of five elements in the periodic table.

Figure 2



2 (a) Choose the correct chemical symbol from **Figure 2** to complete each sentence.

2 (a) (i) The element that is an alkali metal is ..... .

[1 mark]

2 (a) (ii) The element that is a transition metal is ..... .

[1 mark]

2 (a) (iii) The element in Group 4 is ..... .

[1 mark]

2 (a) (iv) The element with a full outer energy level (shell) of electrons is ..... .

[1 mark]

2 (b) Which other element goes in the shaded box in **Figure 2**? .....

[1 mark]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 12

June 2017 | CH3FP | Original Q1 | Legacy

1 This question is about elements and compounds.

1 (a) (i) Use the correct answer from the box to complete the sentence.

[1 mark]

densities	numbers	weights

The elements in the modern periodic table are arranged in order of their atomic _____ .

1 (a) (ii) Use the correct answer from the box to complete the sentence.

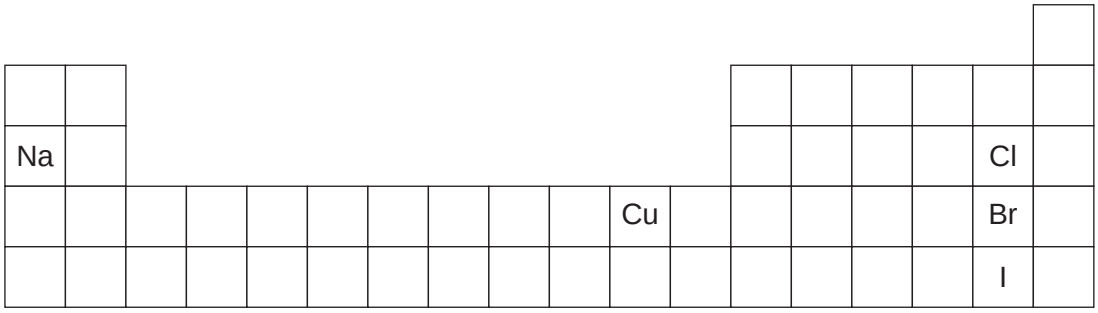
[1 mark]

electrons	neutrons	protons

The outer shells of atoms of elements in the same group have the same number of _____ .

1 (b) **Figure 1** shows the position of five elements in the modern periodic table.

Figure 1



1 (b) (i) Which **one** of the elements in **Figure 1** is a gas at room temperature?

[1 mark]

_____

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 12 · continued

1 (b) (ii) Which **one** of the elements in **Figure 1** is a transition metal?

[1 mark]

_____

1 (b) (iii) Complete the sentence.

[1 mark]

In the modern periodic table, bromine (Br) is in Group _____ .

1 (c) Bromine reacts with sodium iodide to produce iodine.

The word equation for the reaction is:

bromine + sodium iodide ⟶ iodine + sodium bromide

1 (c) (i) What type of reaction is this?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Combustion ☐

Displacement ☐

Neutralisation ☐

1 (c) (ii) Use the Chemistry Data Sheet to help you answer this question.

Which halogen would react with sodium chloride solution to produce chlorine?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Bromine ☐

Fluorine ☐

Iodine ☐

Question 1 continues on the next page

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 12 · continued

1 (d) Silver nitrate in the presence of dilute nitric acid is used to test for iodide ions.

What colour precipitate is produced?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Cream ☐

White ☐

Yellow ☐

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 12 · continued

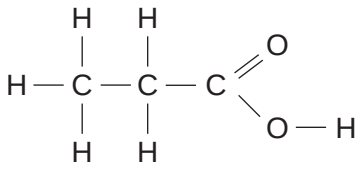
1 (e) Propanoic acid is a compound containing carbon atoms.

1 (e) (i) **Figure 2** shows the displayed structure of propanoic acid.

Draw a ring around the functional group of propanoic acid in **Figure 2**.

[1 mark]

Figure 2



1 (e) (ii) Use the correct answer from the box to complete the sentence.

[1 mark]

carbon dioxide	hydrogen	oxygen

Propanoic acid reacts with carbonates to produce _____ .

1 (e) (iii) Use the correct answer from the box to complete the sentence.

[1 mark]

alkalis	esters	fuels

Propanoic acid reacts with alcohols to produce pleasant smelling compounds called _____ .

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 13

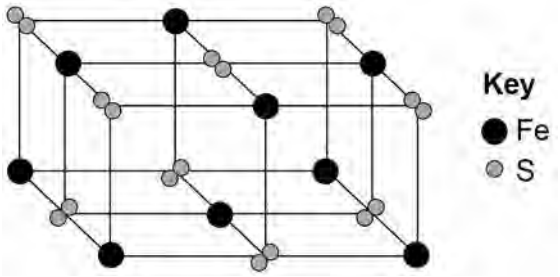
June 2018 | 8462/1F | Original Q9

0 9 This question is about metals and metal compounds.

0 9 . 1 Iron pyrites is an ionic compound.

Figure 12 shows a structure for iron pyrites.

Figure 12



Determine the formula of iron pyrites.

Use **Figure 12**.

[1 mark]

_____

0 9 . 2 An atom of iron is represented as $^{56}_{26}Fe$

Give the number of protons, neutrons and electrons in this atom of iron.

[3 marks]

Number of protons _____

Number of neutrons _____

Number of electrons _____

0 9 . 3 Iron is a transition metal.

Sodium is a Group 1 metal.

Give **two** differences between the properties of iron and sodium.

[2 marks]

1 _____

_____

2 _____

_____

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 13 · continued

Nickel is extracted from nickel oxide by reduction with carbon.

0 9 . 4 Explain why carbon can be used to extract nickel from nickel oxide.

[2 marks]

0 9 . 5 An equation for the reaction is:

$$NiO + C \rightarrow Ni + CO$$

Calculate the percentage atom economy for the reaction to produce nickel.

Relative atomic masses (A_r): C = 12 Ni = 59

Relative formula mass (M_r): NiO = 75

Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

[3 marks]

Percentage atom economy = _____ %

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 14

November 2020 | 8462/1F | Original Q9

0 9 This question is about metals and the reactivity series.

0 9 . 1 Which **two** statements are properties of most transition metals?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

- They are soft metals. ☐
- They form colourless compounds. ☐
- They form ions with different charges. ☐
- They have high melting points. ☐
- They have low densities. ☐

0 9 . 2 A student added copper metal to colourless silver nitrate solution.

The student observed:

- pale grey crystals forming
- the solution turning blue.

Explain how these observations show that silver is less reactive than copper.

[3 marks]

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 14 · continued

0 9 . 3 A student is given three metals, **X**, **Y** and **Z** to identify.

The metals are magnesium, iron and copper.

Plan an investigation to identify the three metals by comparing their reactions with dilute hydrochloric acid.

Your plan should give valid results.

[4 marks]

Question 9 continues on the next page

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 14 · continued

0 9 . 4 Metal **M** has two isotopes.

Table 6 shows the mass numbers and percentage abundances of the isotopes.

Table 6

Mass number	Percentage abundance (%)
203	30
205	70

Calculate the relative atomic mass (A_r) of metal **M**.

Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

[2 marks]

Relative atomic mass (1 decimal place) = _____

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

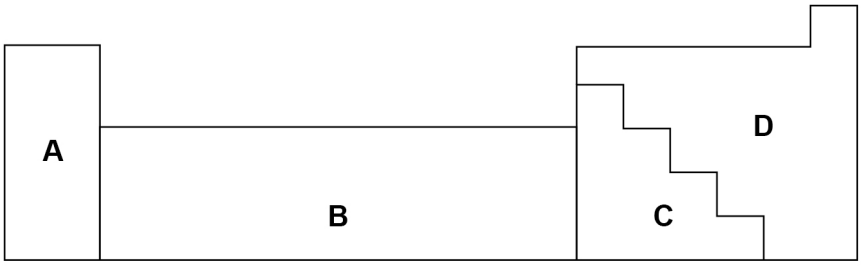
Question 15

June 2022 | 8462/1F | Original Q9

0 9 This question is about metals and non-metals.

Figure 15 shows an outline of part of the periodic table.

Figure 15



0 9 . 1 Element **Q** is a dull solid with a melting point of 44 °C.

Element **Q** does not conduct electricity.

Which section of the periodic table in **Figure 15** is most likely to contain element **Q**?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

0 9 . 2 Element **R** forms ions of formula R^{2+} and R^{3+}

Which section of the periodic table in **Figure 15** is most likely to contain element **R**?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

0 9 . 3 Give **two** differences between the physical properties of the elements in Group 1 and those of the transition elements.

[2 marks]

1 _____

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2 _____

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

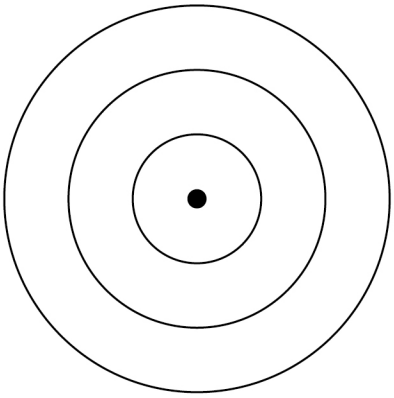
Question 15 · continued

0 9 . 4 Complete **Figure 16** to show the electronic structure of an aluminium atom.

Use the periodic table.

[1 mark]

Figure 16



0 9 . 5 Aluminium is a metal.

Describe how metals conduct electricity.

Answer in terms of electrons.

[3 marks]

0 9 . 6 Name the type of bonding in compounds formed between metals and non-metals.

[1 mark]

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 15 · continued

0 9 . 7 Magnesium oxide is a compound formed from the metal magnesium and the non-metal oxygen.

Describe what happens when a magnesium atom reacts with an oxygen atom.

You should refer to electrons in your answer.

[4 marks]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 16

June 2023 | 8462/1F | Original Q6

0 6 This question is about metals.

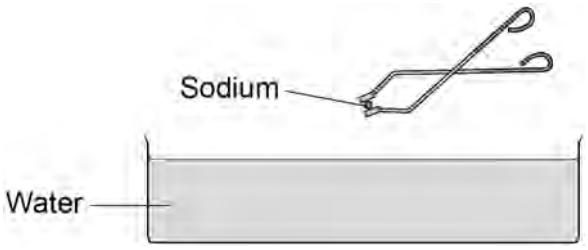
0 6 . 1 Platinum is used to make jewellery.

Suggest **one** reason why platinum is used to make jewellery.

[1 mark]

0 6 . 2 **Figure 7** shows a piece of sodium being added to water.

Figure 7



Give **two** observations that could be seen when sodium is added to water.

[2 marks]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 16 · continued

0 6 . 3 Copper is a transition element.

Sodium is a Group 1 element.

What are **two** differences between copper and sodium?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

- Copper has a lower melting point. ☐
- Copper is harder. ☐
- Copper is less dense. ☐
- Copper is less reactive. ☐
- Copper is less strong. ☐

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 16 · continued

0 6 . 4 The metals aluminium and copper can be used to make pans for cooking.

Table 2 shows information about the two metals.

The higher the value for thermal conductivity, the better the metal conducts thermal energy.

Table 2

	Aluminium	Copper
Thermal conductivity in arbitrary units	250	400
Density in g/cm^3	2.7	8.9
Cost of metal per kg in £	1.50	7.00

Evaluate the use of pans made of aluminium and of copper.

Use **Table 2**.

[4 marks]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

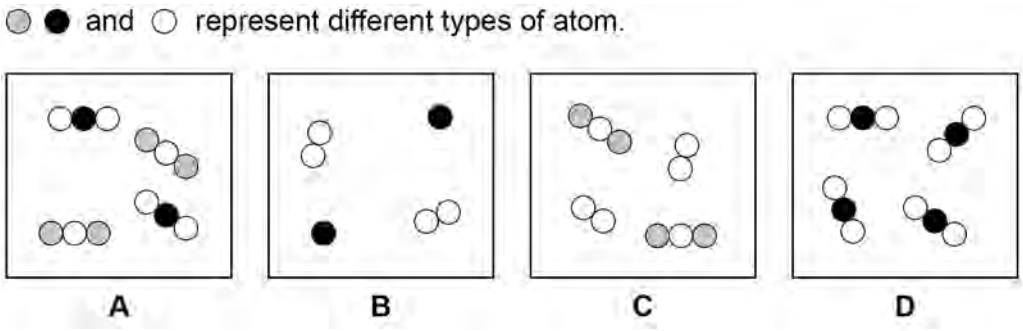
Question 17

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0 1 This question is about elements, compounds and mixtures.

Figure 1 shows diagrams which represent the atoms and molecules in different substances.

Figure 1



0 1 . 1 Which diagram in **Figure 1** represents a pure compound?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

0 1 . 2 Which diagram in **Figure 1** represents a mixture of an element and a compound?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

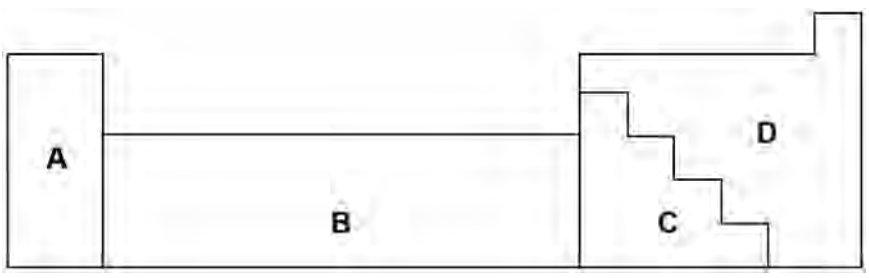
Question 17 · continued

0 1 . 3 Elements are metals or non-metals.

Figure 2 shows an outline of the periodic table.

The periodic table is divided into sections.

Figure 2



Where are metals found in the periodic table?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

Section **A** only ☐

Sections **A**, **B** and **C** ☐

Sections **B**, **C** and **D** ☐

Section **D** only ☐

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 17 · continued

0 1 . 4 Which **two** of the following are typical properties of a transition metal?

[2 marks]

Tick (✓) **two** boxes.

Can be bent and shaped	☐
Good conductor of electricity	☐
Low density	☐
Low melting point	☐
Poor conductor of heat	☐

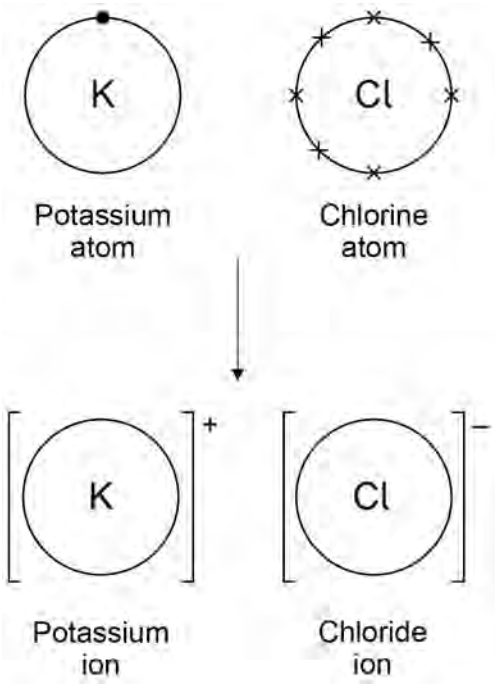
0 1 . 5 Potassium and chlorine react to produce potassium chloride.

An atom of potassium loses an electron to form a potassium ion.

An atom of chlorine gains an electron to form a chloride ion.

Complete the dot and cross diagram.

[2 marks]



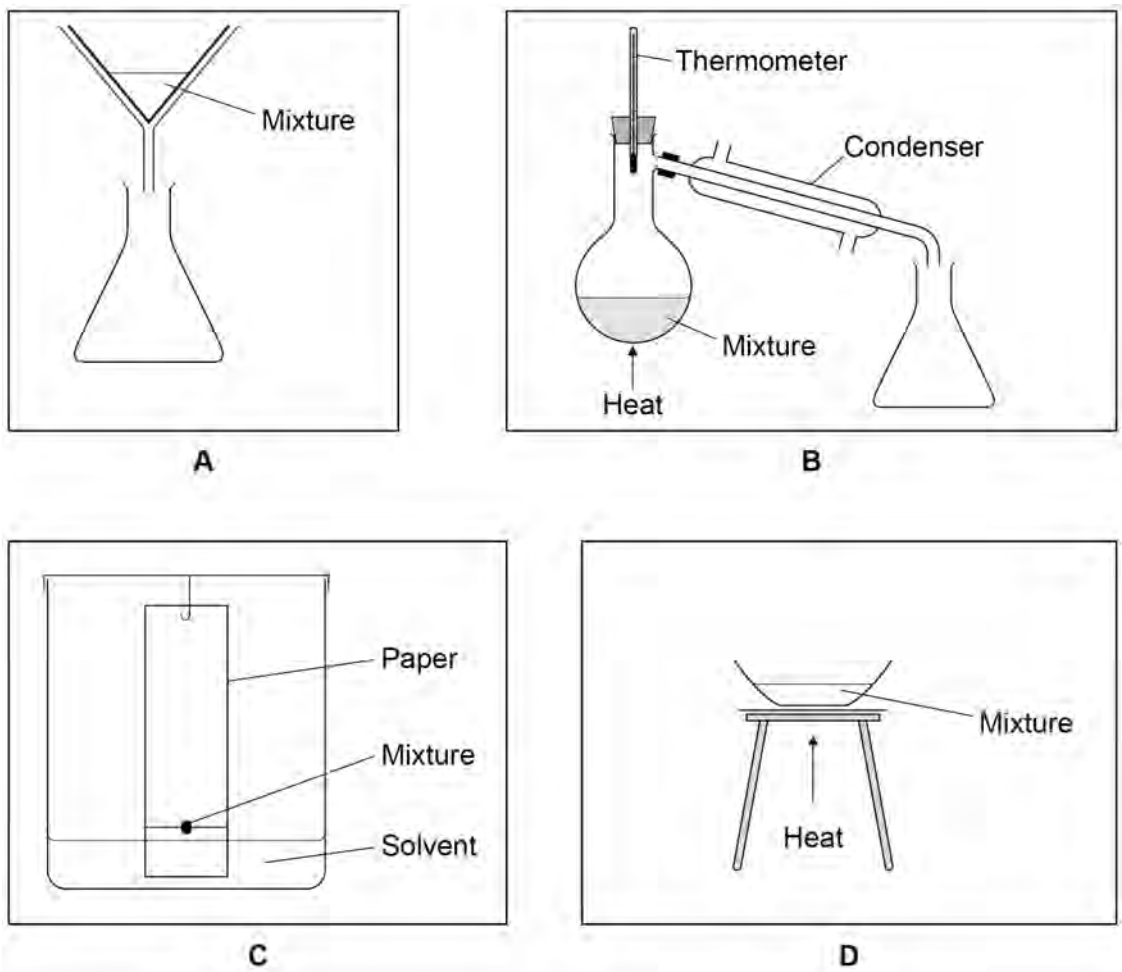
4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 17 · continued

Mixtures are separated by different methods.

Figure 3 shows the apparatus for separating four different types of mixture.

Figure 3



4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 17 · continued

0 1 . 6 Which apparatus could be used to collect water from sodium chloride solution?

Use **Figure 3**.

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

0 1 . 7 Which apparatus shows filtration?

Use **Figure 3**.

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

A ☐ **B** ☐ **C** ☐ **D** ☐

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 18

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1 0 This question is about metals and metal oxides.

Tin (Sn) is extracted from tin oxide using carbon.

The equation for the reaction is:

$$SnO_2 + C \longrightarrow Sn + CO_2$$

1 0 . 1 Which substance is reduced in this reaction?

Give **one** reason for your answer.

Answer in terms of oxygen.

[2 marks]

Substance reduced _____

Reason _____

_____

1 0 . 2 Why can carbon be used to extract tin from tin oxide?

[1 mark]

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4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 18 · continued

10.3 Cadmium (Cd) can be extracted by the reaction of cadmium oxide with carbon.

The equation for the reaction is:

$$CdO + C \longrightarrow Cd + CO$$

Calculate the percentage atom economy for the production of cadmium in this reaction.

Relative atomic masses (A_r): C = 12 Cd = 112

Relative formula mass (M_r): CdO = 128

[3 marks]

Percentage atom economy = _____ %

10.4 Tungsten is a transition metal.

Potassium is a Group 1 metal.

Give **two** differences between the properties of tungsten and the properties of potassium.

[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

4.1.3.2 Typical properties

Question 18 · continued

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Tungsten oxide reacts with hydrogen to give tungsten (W) and water.

10.5 The equation for the reaction is:

$$WO_3 + 3\,H_2 \longrightarrow W + 3\,H_2O$$

The law of conservation of mass states:

'The mass of the products equals the mass of the reactants during a chemical reaction.'

Show that the equation obeys the law of conservation of mass.

Relative atomic mass (A_r): W = 184

Relative formula masses (M_r): H_2 = 2 WO_3 = 232 H_2O = 18

[2 marks]

10.6 The reaction producing tungsten has a high atom economy.

Why is it important to use reactions with a high atom economy in industry?

[1 mark]

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