

2. Atoms, elements and compounds

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1. An element is a substance made of:

- ☐ only one type of atom
- ☐ two elements bonded together
- ☐ a mixture of substances
- ☐ only compounds

2. Which subatomic particle has a positive charge?

- ☐ proton
- ☐ neutron
- ☐ electron
- ☐ none of them

3. What is the maximum number of electrons in the first (innermost) shell?

4. Isotopes are atoms of the same element with different numbers of:

- ☐ neutrons
- ☐ protons
- ☐ electrons
- ☐ shells

5. When a metal atom forms an ion, it:

- ☐ loses electrons to form a positive ion
- ☐ gains electrons to form a negative ion
- ☐ gains protons
- ☐ loses protons

6. Ionic compounds form a:

- ☐ giant lattice of oppositely charged ions
- ☐ small molecule
- ☐ sea of electrons
- ☐ single atom

7. An atom has atomic number 6 and mass number 14. How many neutrons does it have?

8. Chlorine-37 has 17 protons. How many neutrons does it have?

9. In a compound, the elements are chemically bonded together.

- ☐ True ☐ False

10. The number of electron shells an atom uses equals its period number.

- ☐ True ☐ False

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1. **only one type of atom**

Elements contain a single type of atom.

2. **proton**

Protons are positive; neutrons neutral; electrons negative.

3. **2**

The first shell holds up to 2 electrons.

4. **neutrons**

Isotopes differ only in neutron number.

5. **loses electrons to form a positive ion**

Metals lose electrons, becoming positive.

6. **giant lattice of oppositely charged ions**

A giant 3D lattice of ions forms.

7. **8**

Neutrons = mass number – atomic number = $14 - 6 = 8$.

8. **20**

Neutrons = mass number – protons = $37 - 17 = 20$.

9. **True**

This is what distinguishes a compound from a mixture.

10. **True**

Period = number of occupied shells.