

Honors Chemistry with AP Chemistry link

Expectations:

In first-year chemistry, students will be introduced to chemical nomenclature and writing chemical formulas. It is our expectation that students be able to generate proper stock or IUPAC chemical names and formulas from any of the ions on Page 2. ***These ions - their symbols and their charges - should be memorized.*** In addition, students must be familiar with locations of the various groups of elements on the periodic table in order to appreciate the predictable variations in physical and chemical properties over the periodic table. Students also need to be able to identify the name of, proper use of, and measurement precision for glassware that will be used during labs. And, when performing calculations, students must learn how to appropriately set up, calculate, and finally round their answers to the number of significant digits that reflect the precision of their measurements.

Students will:

- 1) Print this entire document. Bring it to the first day of class.
- 2) Create flashcards of these common elements and ions on Page 2. Past students will attest to the **learning power of writing** all these ions and their names. The full list is split into four sections. We recommend that students focus on one section at a time to assist them in retaining the knowledge.
- 3) Study the background information on the periodic table. A few days after first learning the material, fill in the twelve questions provided without looking back at the notes. Use the notes to check your answers.
- 4) Color and label the periodic table. Bookmark and use <https://ptable.com> to assist you in finding the symbols and their atomic numbers.
- 5) Study the lab equipment and complete the worksheet that follows.
- 6) Read the notes on significant digits and rounding. Complete the worksheets attached.
- 7) Ideally, students should complete this material before 25 August. Classroom instruction on this material will begin 25 August and testing on this material will begin the week of *August 25th with the first sections of Elements and Ions.

Parents/Guardians should:

- 1) Encourage their student(s) to begin and complete this summer assignment packet in a time frame that allows for both the fulfillment of family obligations and content mastery. Due dates are much closer than students typically appreciate.
- 2) Remind their student(s) that chemistry will require a depth of preparation, practice, knowledge, and mastery that was not required for success in previous science courses.

Support:

Questions can be e-mailed to mshea1@wcpss.net or yarul@wcpss.net. Please allow as much as a week for your reply.

* Dates subject to change to reflect adjustments in the academic calendar and PLC decisions

Assessment Date: 28 August 2025

Fixed-charge metals	(28 Aug)	Strontium	Sr	Cesium cation	Cs ¹⁺
Lithium	Li	Barium	Ba	Beryllium cation	Be ²⁺
Sodium	Na	Aluminum	Al	Magnesium cation	Mg ²⁺
Potassium	K	Silver	Ag	Calcium cation	Ca ²⁺
Rubidium	Rb	Zinc	Zn	Strontium cation	Sr ²⁺
Cesium	Cs	Lithium cation	Li ¹⁺	Barium cation	Ba ²⁺
Beryllium	Be	Sodium cation	Na ¹⁺	Aluminum cation	Al ³⁺
Magnesium	Mg	Potassium cation	K ¹⁺	Silver cation	Ag ¹⁺
Calcium	Ca	Rubidium cation	Rb ¹⁺	Zinc cation	Zn ²⁺
Variable-charge metals	(28 Aug)	Titanium (IV)	Ti ⁴⁺	Latin Names	
Chromium	Cr	Chromium (II)	Cr ²⁺	chromous	
Iron	Fe	Chromium (III)	Cr ³⁺	chromic	
Cobalt	Co	Iron (II)	Fe ²⁺	ferrous	
Copper	Cu	Iron (III)	Fe ³⁺	ferric	
Tin	Sn	Copper (I)	Cu ¹⁺	cuprous	
Mercury	Hg	Copper (II)	Cu ²⁺	cupric	
Nickel	Ni	Manganese (II)	Mn ²⁺	manganous	
Lead	Pb	Manganese (III)	Mn ³⁺	manganic	
Molybdenum	Mo	Tin (II)	Sn ²⁺	stannous	
Titanium	Ti	Tin (IV)	Sn ⁴⁺	stannic	
Manganese	Mn	Mercury (I)	Hg ₂ ²⁺	mercurous	
Cobalt (II)	Co ²⁺	Mercury (II)	Hg ²⁺	mercuric	
Nickel (II)	Ni ²⁺	Lead (II)	Pb ²⁺	plumbous	
Titanium (II)	Ti ²⁺	Lead (IV)	Pb ⁴⁺	plumbic	

Assessment Date: 02 September 2025

<u>Nonmetals</u>	(02 Sept)	Oxygen	O ₂	Hydride	H ¹⁻
Helium	He	Ozone	O ₃	Fluoride	F ¹⁻
Neon	Ne	Nitrogen	N ₂	Chloride	Cl ¹⁻
Argon	Ar	Sulfur	S	Bromide	Br ¹⁻
Krypton	Kr	Selenium	Se	Iodide	I ¹⁻
Xenon	Xe	Phosphorus	P	Oxide	O ²⁻
Hydrogen	H ₂	Arsenic	As	Sulfide	S ²⁻
Fluorine	F ₂	Carbon	C	Selenide	Se ²⁻
Chlorine	Cl ₂	Silicon	Si	Nitride	N ³⁻
Bromine	Br ₂	Boron	B	Phosphide	P ³⁻
Iodine	I ₂	Hydrogen cation	H ¹⁺	Arsenide	As ³⁻
<u>Polyatomic ions</u>	(02 Sept)	Bromate	BrO ₃ ¹⁻	Thiosulfate	S ₂ O ₃ ²⁻
Ammonium	NH ₄ ¹⁺	Iodate	IO ₃ ¹⁻	Carbonate	CO ₃ ²⁻
Perchlorate	ClO ₄ ¹⁻	Nitrate	NO ₃ ¹⁻	Bicarbonate	HCO ₃ ¹⁻
Chlorate	ClO ₃ ¹⁻	Nitrite	NO ₂ ¹⁻	Sulfate	SO ₄ ²⁻
Chlorite	ClO ₂ ¹⁻	Cyanide	CN ¹⁻	Sulfite	SO ₃ ²⁻
Hypochlorite	ClO ¹⁻	Hydroxide	OH ¹⁻	Bisulfate	HSO ₄ ¹⁻
Phosphate	PO ₄ ³⁻	Peroxide	O ₂ ²⁻	Chromate	CrO ₄ ²⁻
Phosphite	PO ₃ ³⁻	Permanganate	MnO ₄ ¹⁻	Dichromate	Cr ₂ O ₇ ²⁻
Acetate	C ₂ H ₃ O ₂ ¹⁻	Thiocyanate	SCN ¹⁻	Oxalate	C ₂ O ₄ ²⁻

THE PERIODIC TABLE

Background Information

The Periodic Table is a list of all the known elements. It is organized by increasing atomic number. There are two main sections on the periodic table: metals and nonmetals. The left side of the table contains elements with the greatest metallic properties (metals). As you move from the left to the right, the elements become less metallic with the far-right side of the table consisting of nonmetals. The elements in the middle of the table are called "transition" elements because they have a wide range of metallic properties. A small subset whose members touch the zigzag line are called metalloids because they have both metallic and nonmetallic properties.

The table is also arranged in horizontal rows called "periods" and in vertical columns called "groups" or "families." Each arrangement is significant. The elements in the first period or row all have one energy level. The elements in period 2 all have two (2) energy levels. The elements in period 3 all have three (3) energy levels, and so on. The elements in each vertical column or group have similar chemical properties. Group 1 elements all have one (1) electron in their outer shells (valence electrons). Group 2 elements all have two (2) electrons in their outer shells. Not all of the groups, however, hold true for this pattern. The number of valence electrons for a group impact the properties of that group. There are a number of major groups with similar properties. They are as follows:

Hydrogen: The properties of this element do not match the properties of any other group, so it stands alone. It is placed above group 1, but it is not part of that group. It is a very reactive, colorless, odorless gas at room temperature. **(1 valence electron)**

Group 1: **Alkali Metals** – These metals are extremely reactive and are never found in nature in their pure elemental form. They are silver-colored and shiny. Their density is extremely low so that they are soft enough to be cut with a knife. **(1 valence electron, s-block)**

Group 2: **Alkaline-Earth Metals** – Slightly less reactive than alkali metals. They are silver-colored and denser than alkali metals. **(2 valence electrons, s-block)**

Groups 3 – 12: **Transition Metals** – These metals have a moderate range of reactivity and a wide range of properties. In general, they are shiny and good conductors of heat and electricity. They also have higher densities and melting points than Groups 1 & 2. **(varying range of valence electrons, d-block)**

Lanthanides and Actinides: These are also transition metals that were taken out and placed at the bottom of the table so the table wouldn't be so wide. The elements in each of these two series share many properties. The lanthanides are shiny and reactive. The actinides are *all* radioactive and are therefore unstable. Elements 95 through 118 do not exist in nature but have been manufactured in the lab. **(f-block)**

Group 13: **Boron Group** – Contains one metalloid and 5 metals. Reactive. Aluminum is in this group and is also the most abundant metal in the earth's crust. **(3 valence electrons, p-block)**

Group 14: **Carbon Group** – Contains one nonmetal, two metalloids, and three metals. Varied reactivity. **(4 valence electrons, p-block)**

Group 15: **Nitrogen Group** – Contains two nonmetals, two metalloids, and two metals. Varied reactivity. **(5 valence electrons, p-block)**

Group 16: **Oxygen Group** – Contains three nonmetals, one metalloid, and two metals. Reactive group. **(6 valence electrons, p-block)**

Groups 17: **Halogens** – All nonmetals. Very reactive. Poor conductors of heat and electricity. Tend to form salts with metals. (Ex. NaCl, sodium chloride, i.e., "table salt".) **(7 valence electrons, p-block)**

Groups 18: **Noble Gases** – Unreactive (Inert) nonmetals. All are colorless, odorless gases at room temperature. All found in earth's atmosphere in small amounts. **(8 valence electrons, p-block)**

Bookmark and use <https://ptable.com> to assist you!

Color Coding the Periodic Table

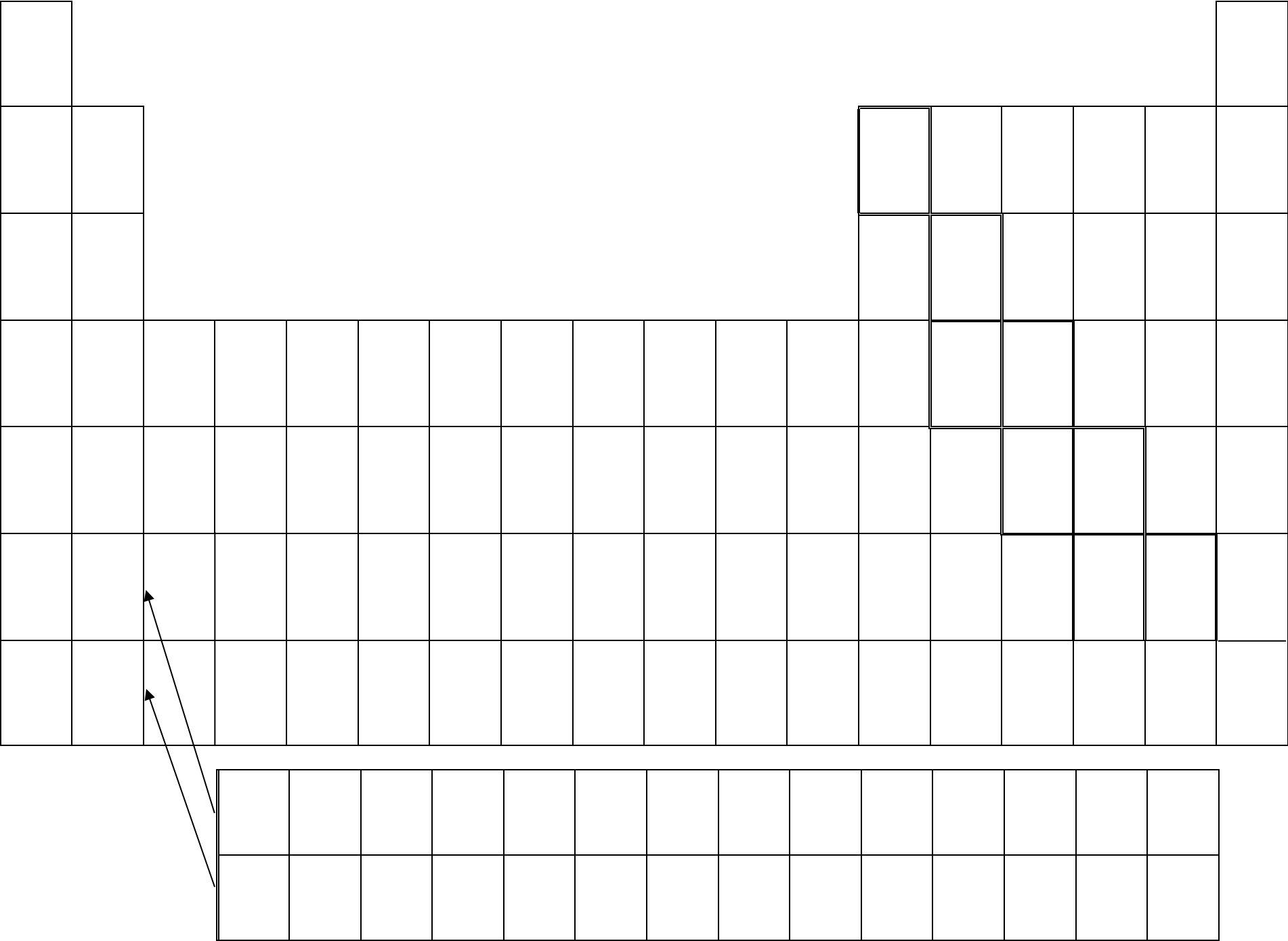
- I. Write the element ***SYMBOL and ATOMIC NUMBER only*** in the square for each element.
- II. Using colored pencils, ***COLOR and LABEL*** each group on the periodic table as follows:
 1. Color Hydrogen ***PINK***.
 2. Lightly color all metals ***YELLOW***.
 - a. Label and place black dots in the squares of all alkali metals.
 - b. Label and draw a horizontal line across the squares of all alkaline-earth metals.
 - c. Label and draw a diagonal line across the squares of all transition metals.
 - d. Label and color all the lanthanide series elements ***HALF YELLOW/RED***.
 - e. Label and color all the actinide series elements ***HALF YELLOW/GREEN***.
 3. Label and trace (outline) the metalloid staircase (zigzag), starting at Boron, with a ***BLACK MARKER***. This separates the metals from the nonmetals. Color each metalloid element ***PURPLE***.
 4. Lightly color all nonmetals ***ORANGE***.
 - a. Label and draw small black diamonds in the squares of all halogens.
 - b. Label and draw small checkerboard squares in the squares of all noble gases.
 5. Label each block of the periodic table with a bracket ({) and the appropriate lower-case letter.

*****When you are finished, make a key that indicates which color identifies which group
(Ex: Alkali Metals = Yellow w/black dots)*****

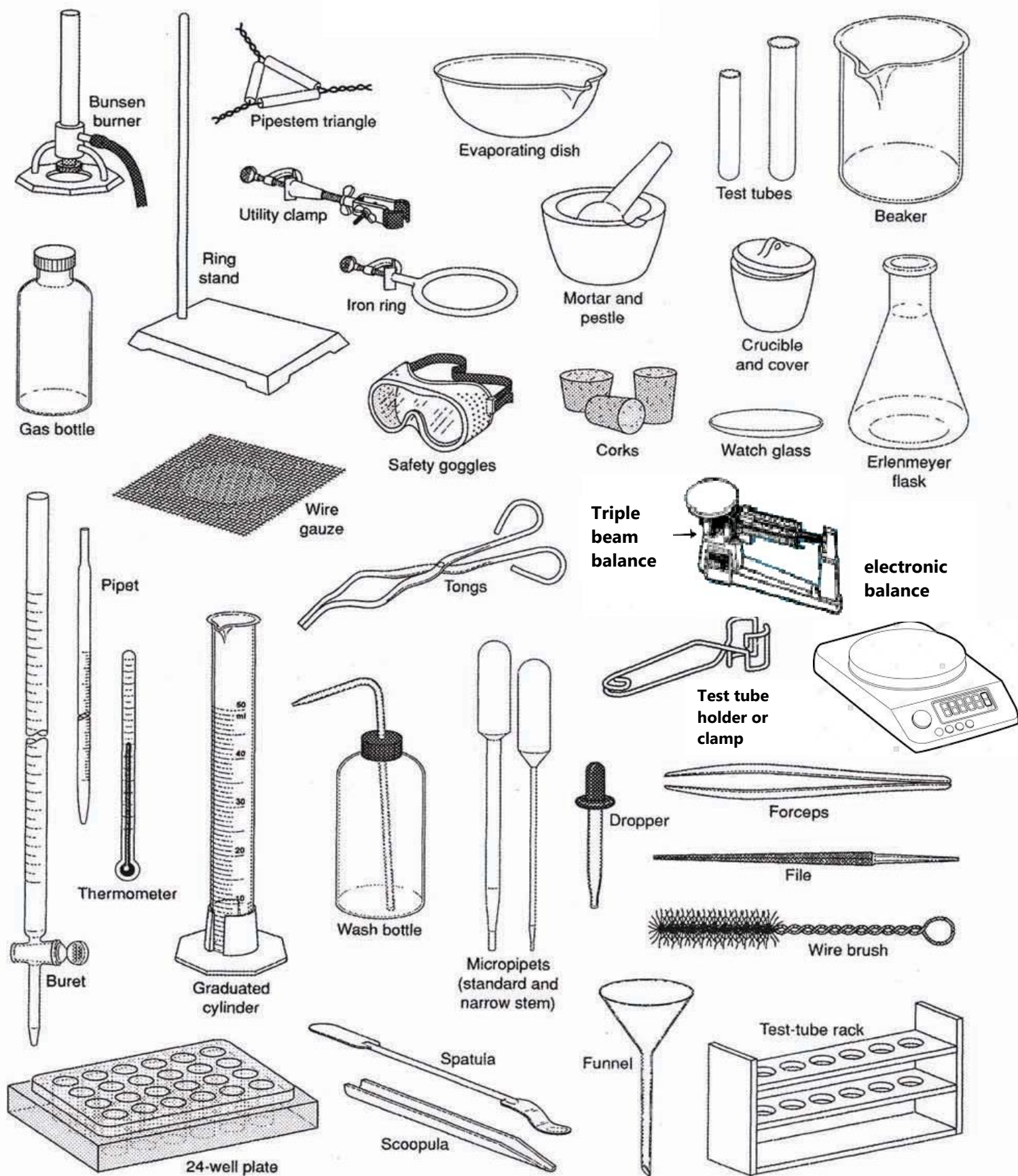
Family Ties

Follow the instructions below to label the major groups and divisions of the periodic table.

1. The periodic table is organized by _____.
2. The vertical columns on the periodic table are called _____.
3. The horizontal rows on the periodic table are called _____.
4. Most of the elements in the periodic table are classified as _____.
5. The elements that touch the zigzag (staircase) line are classified as _____.
6. The elements above and to the right of the metalloids are classified as _____.
7. Elements in the first group have one valence electron and are extremely reactive.
They are called _____.
8. Elements in the second group have two valence electrons and are also very reactive.
They are called _____.
9. Elements in groups 3-12 have many useful properties and are called _____.
10. Elements in group 17 are known as "salt formers". They are called _____.
11. Elements in group 18 are inert (very unreactive). We call these the _____.
12. The elements at the bottom of the table were pulled out to keep the table from becoming too wide.
The first series at the bottom is collectively called the _____.
13. The second series at the bottom of this section of the table is collectively called the _____.



A number of items that may be used in the laboratory are shown below. Study this page and decide for what activity or operation the items may be used. Use the names of the equipment shown to answer the questions on page 7.



LAB EQUIPMENT

Unscramble the letters in parentheses to name each piece of equipment that would be useful for each of the following tasks. Refer to page 6 as needed.

- 1) Holding 100 mL of water (ebkare) _____
- 2) Measuring 27.0 mL of liquid (daudgtear ldnreiy) _____
- 3) Measuring exactly 43.00 mL of an acid (rtube) _____
- 4) Diluting a solution to exactly 100.0 mL (omveltciru skfla) _____
- 5) Massing out 120.0 g of sodium chloride (nlocteeric ebcnla) _____
- 6) Suspending glassware over the Bunsen burner (rwei zeagu) _____
- 7) Used to pour liquids into containers with small openings or to hold filter paper (unfenl) _____
- 8) Mixing small amounts of chemicals together (lewl letpa) _____
- 9) Heating contents in a test tube (estt ubet smalcp) _____
- 10) Holding many test tubes filled with chemicals (estt ubet karc) _____
- 11) Used to clean the inside of test tubes or graduated cylinders (iwer srbuh) _____
- 12) Keeping liquid contents in a beaker from splattering (tahcw sgasl) _____
- 13) A narrow-mouthed, wide-based container used to transport, heat or store substances, often used when a stopper is required (ymerereel kslaf) _____
- 14) Heating contents in the lab (nuesnb bneurr) _____
- 15) Transport a hot beaker (gntos) _____
- 16) Protects the eyes from flying objects or chemical splashes (ggloges) _____
- 17) Used to grind chemicals to powder (tmraor nda stlepe) _____

SIGNIFICANT DIGITS

What are significant digits?

Significant digits are a method of reporting numbers to the **precision** that we have measured them. For example, if you have about \$20, then you have only reported your wealth to the *tens place* (one significant digit; see below). If you recount it, but only include bills, as \$21, then you have reported your wealth to the *ones place* (two sig digs). If you completely count it, coins and all, as \$21.37, then you have reported it now to the *hundredths place* (four sig digs) - each time increasing the *precision* of your data, although not the *accuracy*.

Which digits are significant?

- **All nonzero digits are significant.**
- **All sandwich zeroes are significant.** (as in 2.05 or 1064)
- **Leading zeroes are never significant.** (as in 0.0025)
- **Trailing zeroes are significant only when** a decimal is present. (as in 7.30 or 60.80 or 400.)
- Trailing zeroes are not significant when a decimal is absent. (as in 25000)

Value	Significant Digits	Rewrite the value in scientific or standard notation (Forgot how to do this?!? Helpful reminder video here)
104		
25.300		
0.0065		
0.000406		
1.250×10^5		
2.78×10^{-4}		
6.02070×10^{-3}		

Rules for rounding to significant digits

Identify the digit to be rounded and then inspect the number immediately to the RIGHT of that digit.
If the number to the RIGHT of the rounded digit is less than 5, then don't change the digit (round down).
If the number to the RIGHT of the rounded digit is greater than or equal to 5, then round the digit up.

Example: Round 3043.25 to three significant digits.

└───▶ The "4" is the digit to be rounded. Look immediately to the right at the "3". Since $3 < 5$, then "3043.25" rounds down to "3040".

Round 4.3352 to three significant digits.

└───▶ The "3" is the digit to be rounded. Look immediately to the right at the "5". Since $5 = 5$, then "4.3352" rounds up to "4.34".

Round each value to the number of significant digits shown in parentheses.

1.3956	(4)	2450.762350	(6)
1.3956	(3)	2450.762350	(4)
1.3956	(2)	2450.762350	(3)
1.3956	(1)	2450.762350	(2)

Computation with significant digits

When doing calculations with measurements, you will have to figure out how many significant digits each measured value has and then, **at the end of your calculations**, round your answer to the appropriate precision.

Multiplying and Dividing with Significant Digits

When you multiply or divide measurements, it is the number of significant digits in each measurement that matters for the answer. Count the number of significant digits in each value. The answer is rounded so that it has the same number of significant digits as the value with the **FEWEST significant digits**.

Example: $56.82 \text{ g} / 4.18 \text{ cm}^3 = 13.593301435 \text{ g/cm}^3$, which rounds to **13.6 g/cm³**
(56.82 has 4 sig digs, 4.18 has 3 sig digs, so the answer has 3 sig digs)

	What your calculator says	Number of sig digs in each value		Answer rounded to the correct number of sig digs
1.57×3.5				
2.000×5.32				
2.0×5.32				
$123 / 61.5$				
$287 / 7$				
$489.5 / 0.46$				
$(3.64 \times 10^2) \times (6.945 \times 10^5)$				
$(7.26 \times 10^{-4}) \times (1.39 \times 10^{-2})$				
$(1.5 \times 10^{-2}) / (3.41 \times 10^2)$				

Adding and Subtracting with Significant Digits

This rule causes more heartache than any other rule because it has to do with precision (place value), not the number of significant digits. The answer in addition or subtraction is rounded to the **LEAST PRECISE place value** of the numbers being combined. *This process is easiest when the numbers are not in scientific notation.*

Example: $4.0807 \text{ g} + 10.43 \text{ g}$
Lining up the decimals, you get:

4.0807 g	(four decimal places)
<u>+ 10.43 g</u>	(two decimal places)
14.5107 g	must be rounded to <u>14.51 g</u> (two decimal places)

You will note that the first value ends at the ten-thousandths place and the second value ends at the hundredths place. The answer is rounded to the hundredths place to match that *least precise* value.

	What your calculator says	Number of decimal places in each value		Answer rounded to the least precise place value
$14.01 + 12.4$				
$5.050 + 4.3$				
$64 + 0.45$				
$340.671 - 72.3$				
$56.790 - 2.44$				
$7100.0 - 0.65$				