

## Classification of Elements and Periodicity in Properties

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Question 1.

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Explanation:

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Question 2.

The d-block elements consists mostly of

- (a) Monovalent metals
- (b) All non-metals
- (c) Elements which generally form stoichiometric metal oxide
- (d) Many metals with catalytic properties

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Answer: (d) Many metals with catalytic properties

Explanation:

Many metals with catalytic properties because (i) They provide surface area for reaction to occur  
(ii) They decreases the ionisation energy. (iii) They have vacant d-orbitals.

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Question 3.

Which of the following has the highest boiling point?

- (a) Ne
- (b) Xe
- (c) Ar
- (d) Kr.

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Answer: (b) Xe

Explanation:

Xe has the highest atomic size and molecular weight. Hence, it has strong Vander Waals forces of attraction. Hence, it has the highest boiling point.

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Question 4.

The chemistry of lithium is very similar to that of magnesium even though they are placed in different groups. Its reason is:

- (a) Both are found together in nature
- (b) Both have nearly the same size
- (c) Both have similar electronic configuration
- (d) The ratio of their charge and size (i.e. charge density) is nearly the same

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Answer: (d) The ratio of their charge and size (i.e. charge density) is nearly the same

Explanation:

The chemistry of lithium is very similar to that of magnesium even though they are placed in different groups because of diagonal relationship.

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Question 5.

Which one of the following groupings represents a collection of isoelectronic species? (At. nos: Cs-55, Br-35)

- (a)  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$
- (b)  $\text{N}^{3-}$ ,  $\text{F}^-$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$
- (c) Be,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$
- (d)  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Cs}^+$ , Br

▼ Answer

Answer: (b)  $\text{N}^{3-}$ ,  $\text{F}^-$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$

Explanation:

Isoelectronic species are the neutral atoms, cations or anions of different elements which have the same number of electrons but different nuclear charge.

Number of electrons in  $\text{N}^{3-} = 7 + 3 = 10$ .

Number of electrons in  $\text{F}^- = 9 + 1 = 10$

Number of electrons in  $\text{Na}^+ = 11 - 1 = 10$ .

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Question 6.

Which of the following has the maximum number of unpaired electrons?

- (a)  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$
- (b)  $\text{Ti}^{3+}$
- (c)  $\text{V}^{3+}$
- (d)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$

▼ Answer

Answer: (d)  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$

Explanation:

$\text{Mg}^{2+}$ :  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ : no unpaired electron

$\text{Ti}^{3+}$ :  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^1$ : one unpaired electron

$\text{V}^{3+}$ :  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^2$ : two unpaired electrons

$\text{Fe}^{2+}$ :  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^6$ : four unpaired electrons

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Question 7.

In the periodic table, the element with atomic number 16 will be placed in the group

- (a) Third
- (b) Fourth
- (c) Fifth
- (d) Sixth

▼ Answer

Answer: (d) Sixth

Explanation:

$16-1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4$  there are  $6e^-$  in outer most shell therefore its group is VIth A

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Question 8.

Representative elements are those which belong to

- (a) p and d – Block
- (b) s and d – Block
- (c) s and p – Block
- (d) s and f – Block

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Answer: (c) s and p – Block

Explanation:

Elements in which all the inner shells are complete but outer shell is incomplete is known as representative elements i.e. Those elements which have less than 8 electrons in outermost shell are representative.

s and p block elements except inert gas is known as representative elements.

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Question 9.

Which pair of elements belongs to same group?

- (a) Elements with atomic no. 17 and 38
- (b) Elements with atomic no. 20 and 40
- (c) Elements with atomic no. 17 and 53
- (d) Elements with atomic no. 11 and 33

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Answer: (c) Elements with atomic no. 17 and 53

Explanation:

Atomic no. 17(Cl) and 53 (I) are present in the same group

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Question 10.

The most electronegative element of the periodic table is

- (a) Iodine
- (b) Sulphur
- (c) Oxygen
- (d) Fluorine.

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Answer: (d) Fluorine.

Explanation:

Fluorine is the most electronegative element. Fluorine has an electronegativity of 3.98 on the Pauling Electronegativity Scale and a valence of 1. A fluorine atom needs one electron to fill its outer electron shell and achieve stability, which is why free fluorine exists as the  $F^-$  ion.

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Question 11.

In the third period of the Periodic Table the element having smallest size is

- (a) Na
- (b) Ar
- (c) Cl
- (d) Si

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Answer: (b) Ar

Explanation:

In the third period of the Periodic Table the element having smallest size is Ar.

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Question 12.

The element with highest second ionization energy is

- (a) Cl
- (b) S
- (c) Na
- (d) Mg

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Answer: (c) Na

Explanation:

Sodium has 11 electrons which can be written as (2, 8, and 1). Its outer orbit has 1 electron. When it is ionized for the first time, the outer most electron is removed very easily, so that it can form the electronic configuration of the nearest inert gas Neon (2, 8).

Neon has 8 electrons in its outermost orbit. Thus it is highly stable. Now, when the second electron is removed, a very very high amount of energy is required because it doesn't want to give away one of its outermost electron by disrupting its stability.

Thus, second ionization energy of sodium is extremely high.

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Question 13.

Which of the following properties generally decreases along a period?

- (a) Ionization Energy
- (b) Metallic Character
- (c) Electron Affinity
- (d) Valency.

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Answer: (b) Metallic Character

Explanation:

The IE, EA increases along the period. The valency initially increases then decreases. The metallic character decreases along the period.

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Question 14.

Increasing order of electronegativity is

- (a)  $\text{Bi} < \text{P} < \text{S} < \text{Cl}$
- (b)  $\text{P} < \text{Bi} < \text{S} < \text{Cl}$
- (c)  $\text{S} < \text{Bi} < \text{P} < \text{Cl}$
- (d)  $\text{Cl} < \text{S} < \text{Bi} < \text{P}$

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (a)  $\text{Bi} < \text{P} < \text{S} < \text{Cl}$

Explanation:

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Question 15.

Which of the following oxides is amphoteric in character?

- (a)  $\text{SnO}_2$
- (b)  $\text{CO}_2$
- (c)  $\text{SiO}_2$
- (d)  $\text{CaO}$

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Answer: (a)  $\text{SnO}_2$

Explanation:

CaO is basic; CO<sub>2</sub> is acidic; SiO<sub>2</sub> is weakly acidic. SnO<sub>2</sub> is amphoteric.

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Question 16.

Which of the following statement is correct with respect to the property of elements with an increase in atomic number in the carbon family (group 14)

- (a) Atomic size decrease
- (b) Ionization energy increase
- (c) Metallic character decrease
- (d) Stability of +2 oxidation state increase

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Answer: (d) Stability of +2 oxidation state increase

Explanation:

As we go down the group inertness of ns<sup>2</sup> pair increase hence tendency to exhibit +2 oxidation state increases and that of +4 oxidation state decreases.

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Question 17.

The elements which occupy the peaks of ionisation energy curve, are

- (a) Na, K, Rb, Cs
- (b) Na, Mg, Cl, I
- (c) Cl, Br, I, F
- (d) He, Ne, Ar, Kr

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Answer: (d) He, Ne, Ar, Kr

Explanation:

All the noble gases occupy the peaks of I.E. curve.

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Question 18.

According to the periodic law of elements, the variation in properties of elements is related to their

- (a) nuclear neutron – proton number ratios
- (b) atomic masses
- (c) nuclear masses
- (d) atomic numbers

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Answer: (d) atomic numbers

Explanation:

The Periodic Law states that the physical and chemical properties of the elements recur in a systematic and predictable way when the elements are arranged in order of increasing atomic number.

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Question 20.

A sudden large jump between the values of second and third ionisation energies of an element would be associated with the electronic configuration

- (a)  $1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^1$
- (b)  $1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^2p^1$
- (c)  $1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^2$
- (d)  $1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^2p^2$

▼ [Answer](#)

Answer: (c)  $1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^2$

Explanation:

$1s^2, 2s^2p^6, 3s^2$  – In III transition  $e^-$  is to be removed from stable configuration.

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