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Words to Watch

account, account for State reasons for, report on, give an account of, narrate a series of events or transactions.

analyse Interpret data to reach conclusions.

annotate Add brief notes to a diagram or graph.

apply Use an idea, equation, principle, theory or law in a new situation.

assess Make a judgement of value, quality, outcomes, results or size.

calculate Find a numerical answer showing the relevant stages in the working (unless instructed not to do so).

clarify Make clear or plain.

classify Arrange into classes, groups or categories.

comment Give a judgement based on a given statement or result of a calculation.

compare Give an account of similarities and differences between two (or more) items, referring to both (all) of them throughout.

construct Represent or develop in graphical form.

contrast Show how things are different or opposite.

deduce Reach a conclusion from the information given.

define Give the precise meaning of a word, phrase or physical quantity.

demonstrate Show by example.

derive Manipulate a mathematical relationship(s) to give a new equation or relationship.

describe Give a detailed account.

design Produce a plan, simulation or model.

determine Find the only possible answer.

discuss Give an account including, where possible, a range of arguments for and against the relative importance of various factors, or comparisons of alternative hypotheses.

distinguish Give differences between two or more different items.

draw Represent by means of pencil lines.

estimate Find an approximate value for an unknown quantity.

evaluate Assess the implications and limitations.

examine Inquire into.

explain Give a detailed account of causes, reasons or mechanisms.

extract Choose relevant and/or appropriate details.

extrapolate Infer from what is known.

identify Find an answer from a given number of possibilities.

justify Support an argument or conclusion.

label Add labels to a diagram.

list Give a sequence of names or other brief answers with no explanation.

measure Find a value for a quantity.

outline Give a brief account or summary.

predict Give an expected result.

propose Put forward a point of view, idea, argument or suggestion for consideration or action.

recall Present remembered ideas, facts or experiences.

show Give the steps in a calculation or derivation.

sketch Represent by means of a graph showing a line and labelled but unscaled axes but with important features (for example, intercept) clearly indicated.

solve Obtain an answer using algebraic and/or numerical methods.

state Give a specific name, value or other brief answer without explanation or calculation.

suggest Propose a hypothesis or other possible answer.

summarise Express concisely the relevant details.

synthesise Put together various elements to make a whole.

Body Systems

This chapter examines the body systems of multicellular organisms. You will also investigate how advances in science lead to new technologies that significantly affect people's lives.

1.1 **Requirements for life**

Systems working together

Micro-organisms cause changes

Non-infectious diseases

- 1.1.1 Oxygen 1.1.2
- **Nutrients** 1.1.3 Water
- 1.1.4 Wastes
- 1.1.5
- The respiratory system 1.1.6
- The circulatory system 1.1.7 The lymphatic system
- 1.1.8 The digestive system
- 1.1.9 The nervous system
- 1.1.10 The endocrine system
- 1.1.11 The excretory system
- 1.1.12 The skeletal system
- 1.2.1 Each system has a job
- 1.2.2 Combining the systems
- 1.2.3 New technologies help the systems
- 1.3.1 Sense organs detect external stimuli
- 1.3.2 **Nerve cells**
- 1.3.3 **Reflex arcs**
- 1.3.4 **Endocrine responses**
- 1.4.1 **Different micro-organisms**
- 1.4.2 Transmission of diseases
- 1.4.3 Changing ideas about disease transmission
- 1.4.4 The inflammatory response
- 1.4.5 The immune response
- 1.5.1 Non-infectious diseases

Chapter 1 Test

Responses

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How much do you remember or already know?

- 1. What is a multicellular organism?
- 2. What is the function of the digestive system?
- 3. What is the function of the respiratory system?
- 4. Which body system is responsible for transporting nutrients, wastes and gases around the body?
- 5. Which body system consists of ductless glands?
- 6. Which body system removes wastes made by the body?
- 7. What is the relationship between cells, tissues, organs and body systems?
- 8. What is respiration?
- 9. What is the difference between breathing and respiration?
- 10. What are the main features of a respiratory surface?
- 11. What are the main requirements for life?
- 12. Identify the distinguishing features of living things.
- 13. What is the function of the heart?
- 14. Name three types of blood vessels.
- 15. Which blood vessels have valves?
- 16. Which type of blood vessels have a pulse?
- 17. What is the name of the main nitrogenous waste produced by humans?
- 18. Which organ filters urea from blood?
- 19. Where is the liver in your body?
- 20. Outline some functions of the liver.
- 21. Why are systems needed in multicellular organisms?
- 22. What is the function of a skeleton?
- 23. Name the five sense organs.
- 24. What is the function of the optic nerve?
- 25. What is the function of the cerebellum in the brain?
- 26. Name some glands that produce hormones.
- 27. Name some groups of micro-organisms.
- 28. Name some organs that are used in organ transplant operations.
- 29. Name some tissues used in transplants.
- 30. Why do people need transplants?

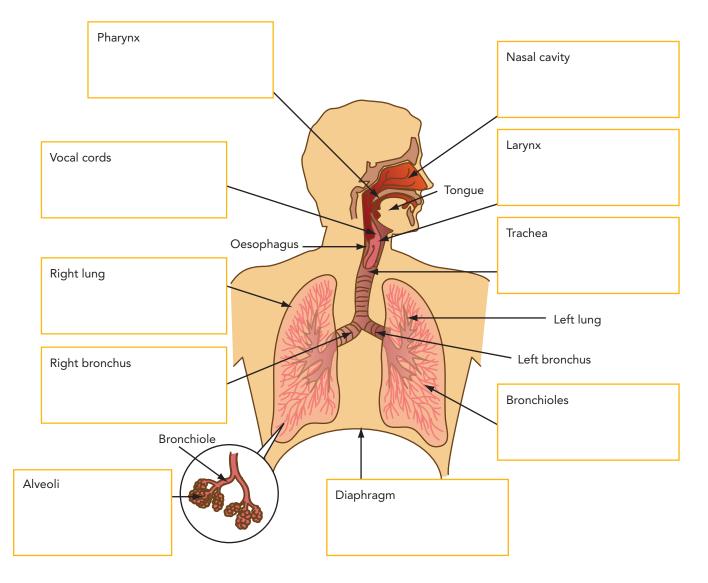
1.1 Requirements for life

1.1.5 The respiratory system

The respiratory system consists of the mouth, nasal cavity, pharynx, larynx, trachea, bronchi and lungs. The lower section is bounded by the ribs, spine and diaphragm.

The main functions of the human respiratory system are to:

- Provide a large surface area for gas exchange.
- Move air to and from the lungs.
- Protect the gas exchange surface from dehydration and temperature changes.
- Defend the system against invasion by micro-organisms including pathogens.
- Produce sounds, e.g. speaking, singing.
- **1.1.5.1** You covered the respiratory system in year 8. Use your knowledge of the respiratory system or research to write a brief description of the function of each part of the human respiratory system in each of the boxes.



1.1.9 The nervous system

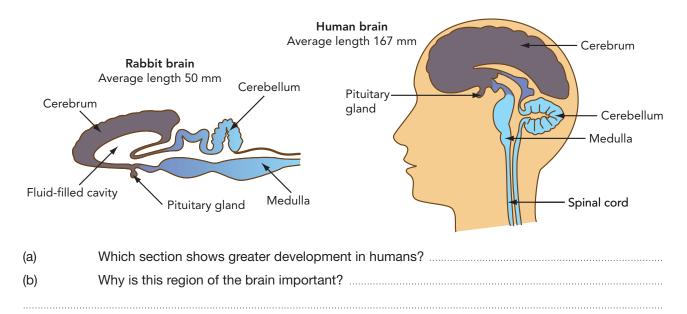
The vertebrate nervous system can be divided into the **central nervous system** (CNS) and the **peripheral nervous system** (PNS). The CNS consists of the brain and the spinal cord and the PNS is all the sensory and motor neurons that connect to the CNS.

The nervous system works by sending messages along neurons. A **neuron** is a nerve cell. There are three types of neurons – sensory neurons, connector neurons and motor neurons. A **ganglion** is a cluster of nerve cell bodies.

Neurons link together to form circuits that carry out specific jobs. The most complex circuits are in the brain. The vertebrate brain is divided into three sections – the **cerebellum** which controls balance and movement, the **medulla oblongata** which is concerned with regulation of heartbeat, body temperature and the rate of breathing and the **cerebrum** which is concerned with thinking, intelligence, memory, language, reasoning, feeling and learned skills.

1.1.9.1 What is the function of the nervous system?
1.1.9.2 What are the two divisions of the vertebrate nervous system?
1.1.9.3 What is a neuron?
1.1.9.4 What is a ganglion?
1.1.9.5 How does the nervous system work?

1.1.9.6 The diagram compares a human brain with a rabbit brain.



1.3.2 Nerve cells

Neurons carry messages or nervous impulses around the body. They are messengers and the nervous impulse is the message. Neurons have a distinct shape that is different to other types of cells. Each neuron has **dendrites** which pick up the impulse, a **cell body** which controls the cell and an **axon** which takes the message to the next neuron. Some neurons are very long, e.g. over 1 metre in length. The **synapse** is the gap between two neurons. At the synapse a chemical called a **neurotransmitter** is released. This chemical diffuses to the next cell and starts the impulse in this next cell.

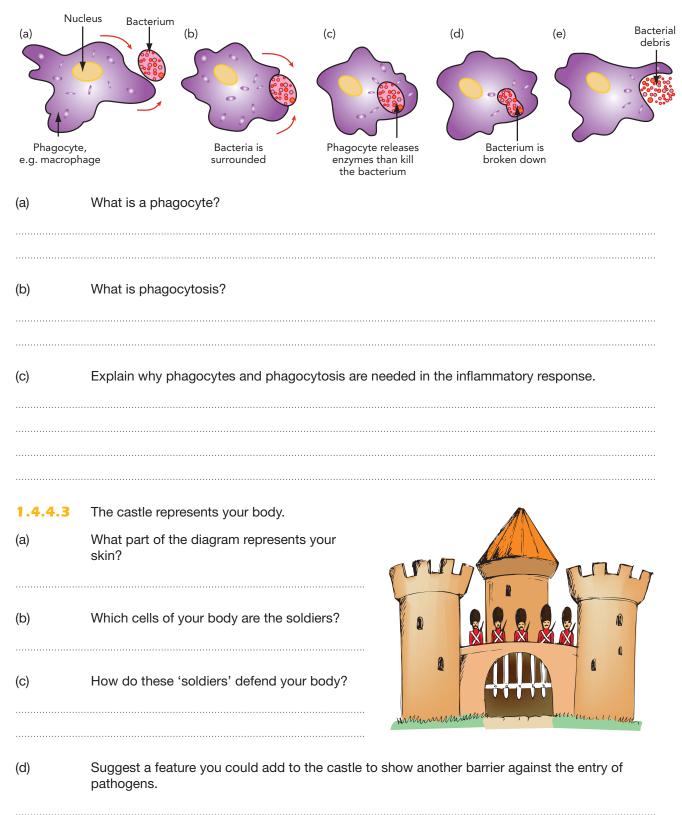
Sensory neurons connect to the receptors that pick up the stimulus and take the message to connector neurons. **Connector neurons** join sensory neurons to motor neurons. **Motor neurons** go to muscles or glands taking the message for the response.

Nerves form a pathway from the receptor to the central nervous system then to the responding organ which is called the effector. A stimulus starts the message and it ends with a response – the **stimulus-response pathway**.

1.3.2.1 Complete the table to summarise the three types of neurons and how they work together to make the nervous pathway to bring about responses.

Type of neuron	Diagram of neuron	Its function
Sensory neuron	Dendrites Direction of impulse Cell body Axon	
Connector neuron	Cell body O Axon	
Motor neuron	Cell body Dendrites Myelin sheath Axon Musde	

1.4 Micro-organisms cause changes

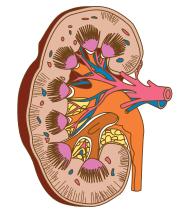


1.4.4.2 The diagram shows a phagocyte and phagocytosis.

Chapter 1 Test

- 1. Which process releases oxygen gas into the atmosphere?
 - (A) Respiration.
 - (B) Photosynthesis.
 - (C) Combustion.
 - (D) Evaporative cooling.
- 2. What are the six most important elements in living things?
 - (A) Hydrogen, carbon, oxygen, nitrogen, phosphorus and sulfur.
 - (B) Hydrogen, carbon, oxygen, nitrogen, calcium and fluorine.
 - (C) Carbon, oxygen, phosphorus, calcium, fluorine and sulfur.
 - (D) Oxygen, nitrogen, phosphorus, calcium, fluorine and potassium.
- 3. Which element makes up about 65% of the human body?
 - (A) Hydrogen.
 - (B) Carbon.
 - (C) Oxygen.
 - (D) Nitrogen.
- 4. What is the order of the six most abundant elements in the human body from most abundant to least abundant?
 - (A) Phosphorus, calcium, nitrogen, hydrogen, carbon, oxygen.
 - (B) Hydrogen, carbon, oxygen, nitrogen, calcium, phosphorus.
 - (C) Oxygen, carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, phosphorus, sulfur.
 - (D) Oxygen, carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, calcium, phosphorus.
- 5. The diagram shows a cross-section of an organ in the human body. What is the organ and how is it involved in the excretion of wastes?

	Name of organ	How it is involved with excretion					
А	Lung	Excretes carbon dioxide.					
В	Kidney	Excretes urea.					
С	Liver	Excretes urea.					
D	Kidney	Excretes carbon dioxide.					



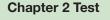
- 6. When is a sound heard?
 - (A) When the eardrum begins to vibrate.
 - (B) When the small bones of the middle ear cause the oval window to vibrate.
 - (C) When the message from the nerves reaches the brain.
 - (D) When the fluid in the cochlea begins to vibrate.

2 Communities and the Environment

This chapter examines communities that are found in different ecosystems and how different features of the environment affect the size of a population. You will also continue to revise and practise inquiry skills and how to analyse patterns and trends in data.

2.1	Ecosystems
2.2	Relationships
2.3	Size of populations
2.4	Energy flows
2.5	Changes in ecosystems

- 2.1.1 Different Australian ecoregions
- 2.1.2 The abiotic environment
- 2.2.1 Predators and prey
- 2.2.2 Parasites
- 2.2.3 Competitors
- 2.2.4 Pollinators
- 2.2.5 Disease
- 2.3.1 Seasonal changes
- 2.3.2 Destruction of habitat
- 2.3.3 Introduced species
- 2.4.1 Energy pathways
- 2.4.2 Food pathways
- 2.4.3 Sustainability
- 2.5.1 Bushfires
- 2.5.2 Australian animals and bushfires
- 2.5.3 Australian plants and bushfires
- 2.5.4 Droughts
- 2.5.5 Floods
- 2.5.6 Floods, kangaroos and rabbits
- 2.5.7 Australian plants and floods





2.2 Relationships

2.2.3 Competitors

Competition occurs when the demand for food and resources is greater than the supply.

members of different species while **intraspecific** competition occurs between individuals of the same species.

The introduction into Australia of many plants and animals led to competition with native species. Many **invasive plants** are so successful at competing with native plants that they have become environmental weeds, e.g. rubber vine in northern Australia, aleman grass in wetlands, athel pine along inland rivers and alligator weed on and near water courses. The federal government lists 20 weeds of national significance (WONS) and 28 plant species are on the national environmental alert list.

Getting a mate

Within a species, competition to get a mate has led to aggressive fights among males, e.g. only about 10% of elephant seals win a 'harem' of females. In some other species there is a marked difference in the appearance of males and females, with the females choosing the male with the best features, e.g. brightest peacock feathers. Getting a mate is a competitive business!



- 2.2.3.1 When does competition occur?
- **2.2.3.2** What is the difference between interspecific competition and intraspecific competition?
- **2.2.3.3** Resources are anything in the environment that the organism uses. List the resources needed by plants and animals.

Resources needed by animals	Resources needed by plants

2.2.3.4 The Australian magpie is found across Australia. Many people walking through a magpie nesting area have stories about magpie attacks – some people are even seriously pecked! Explain this magpie behaviour in terms of interspecies competition.



2.5 Changes in ecosystems

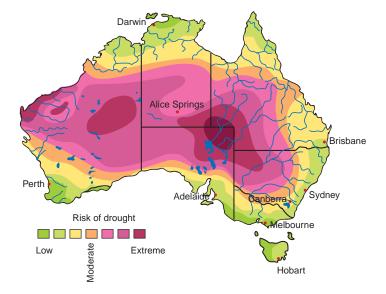
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2.5.4 Droughts

Many areas of Australia have periods of drought when water is scarce. A drought is a long period of time when there is below average rainfall. An area in drought may still have a higher rainfall than an area with a normal low rainfall, e.g. a desert.

Cause of drought in Australia

Australia's climate is connected with the El Nino/La Nina-Southern Oscillation effect (ENSO). **El Nino/La Nina** refers to the temperature of the surface of the tropical eastern Pacific Ocean. El Nino brings warm



currents near the South American coast and La Nina brings cold water in the eastern Pacific. **The Southern Oscillation** refers to the air surface pressure in the tropical western Pacific. High air pressure in the west is associated with El Nino and low air pressure with La Nina. El Nino brings drought to Australia and the western Pacific and heavy rains and floods to South America and the eastern Pacific.

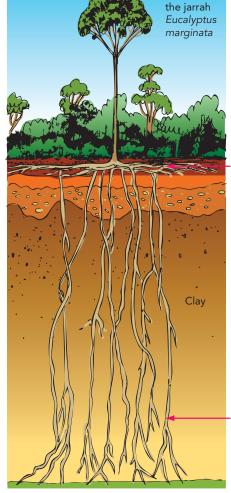
Plant adaptations to drought

Different Australian plants have different ways to survive drought. The jarrah has a double **root system** with surface roots collecting water from the surface soils and a second root system growing down to the water table. Eucalypts planted in other countries have been called 'drought creators' as they are so efficient at collecting water that other species cannot compete and can die if growing near the eucalypts. **Lignotubers** store water and nutrients and aid survival during drought.

The **leaves** of many Australian plants are covered in a thick waxy cuticle which helps conserve water. Gumleaves hang vertically with their edge facing the Sun. This reduces heat from sunlight affecting the plant. The stomates on gumleaves will also close when the plant is under water stress so more water cannot be lost from the plant.

2.5.4.1 Define drought.

2.5.4.2 What is ENSO?



Surface roots spread out up to four times the width of the tree canopy

Second root system can grow down through the layers, e.g. clay subsoils to reach the water table which can be 40 metres below the surface

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3 The Structure of Matter

Everything around us is made of matter, and it behaves the way it does because of the type of matter it is made of. You will learn a little about the history of the development of our understanding of the structure of the atom, along with some detail of the structure we accept at the present time (simplified).

Nuclear energy and radioactivity is seldom far from the news, so hopefully what you learn about it here will help you have a better understanding of what is happening around the world in this arena.

You will develop skills in understanding written and diagrammatic representations of the structure of atoms and isotopes and learn how to extract information from the periodic table of elements.

- 3.1 History of the atom3.2 The structure of atoms
- 5.2 The structure of atoms
- 3.3 Subatomic particles
- 3.4 Radioactivity

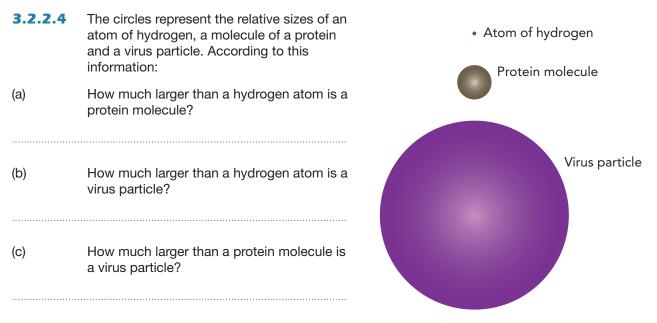
- 3.1.1 Revision questions from last year's work
- 3.2.1 Particles of matter
- 3.2.2 Atomic structure
- 3.3.1 The particles
- 3.3.2 Isotopes of elements
- 3.4.1 What is radioactivity?
- 3.4.2 Half-lives of radioisotopes
- 3.4.3 The Curies and radioactivity
- 3.4.4 Energy changes in nuclear power stations

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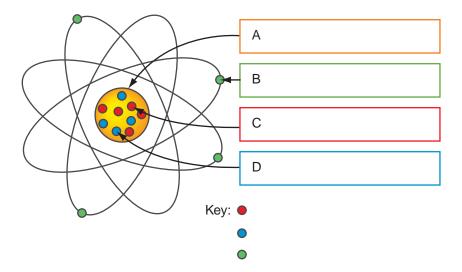
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3.2 The structure of atoms

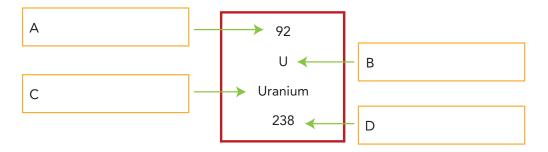


3.2.2.5

(a) Complete the labels on the key and the diagram of an atom of an element below.



- (b) Identify the element represented by this diagram and its symbol.
- **3.2.2.6** The diagram shows an element on the periodic table. Identify the labels.





3.3.1 The particles

Our model of an atom considers atoms as particles, with a nucleus containing protons and neutrons and with electrons orbiting the nucleus.

The number of protons in the nucleus determines which element the atom is; the number of protons in the nucleus of atoms of a particular element is always the same. For example, atoms of hydrogen *always* have one proton, those of helium *always* have two, those of carbon have six and those of oxygen have eight protons.

Protons and neutrons are about the same size and have the same mass. Their masses are about 0.000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 001 673 g (1.673×10^{-24} g and about 0.000 000 000 000 000 000 000 001 675 g (1.675×10^{-24} g) respectively. This is too small to handle, so we define this amount of mass as **1 atomic mass unit** (**1 amu** or **1** μ).

3.3.1.1

(a)	What do we mean by 'subatomic'?
(b)	Complete the table to summarise what you already know about subatomic particles.

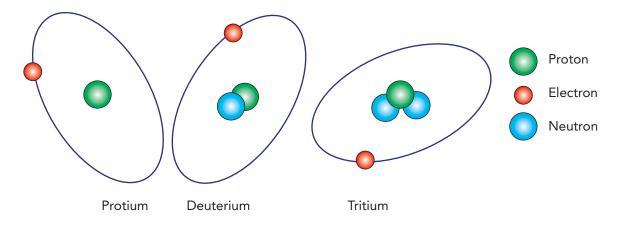
Name of subatomic particle	Where particle is found	Charge on particle

3.3.1.2 Use the information above to complete the table. (You may research information on the internet if you feel you need to.)

Particle	Mass (g)	Mass (g) (scientific notation)	Mass (amu)
Proton			
Neutron			
Electron			
Oxygen atom			
Calcium atom			

3.3.2 Isotopes of elements

While the number of protons in atoms of elements is constant for a particular element, the number of neutrons in the nucleus of atoms of a particular element can actually vary a little. For example, consider the three atoms in the diagram below.



These three atoms represent three different types of hydrogen atoms – they all have only one proton in the nucleus, therefore they are all hydrogen atoms. They all have the same atomic number (1). However, each has a different number of neutrons in the nucleus. Therefore they each have a different mass number. They are called **isotopes** of hydrogen

3.3.2.1	What are isotopes?
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3.3.2.2 There is actually a fourth isotope of hydrogen (very unstable, exists only in laboratory experiments) which has a mass number of 4. It is called quadrium.

Draw a labelled diagram of an atom of quadrium in the space provided below using the same key as the diagrams above.

	2 He 4.003 ^{Helium}	10 Ne Neon	18 Ar 39.95	36 83.80 Krypton	54 Xe 131.3 ^{Xenon}	86 Rn ^{Radon}						
		9 F 19.00 Fluorine	17 Cl 35.45	35 Br 79.90 Bromine	53 126.9 ^{lodine}	85 At Astatine			71 Lu 175.0 Lutetium		103 Lr	Lawrencium
		8 0 0xygen	16 S 32.07		52 Te 127.6 ^{Tellurium}	84 Polonium		-	70 Yb 173.1 ^{Ytterbium}		102 No	Nobelium
		7 N 14.01 ^{Nitrogen}	15 P 30.97		51 Sb 121.8 ^{Antimony}	83 Bi 209.0 ^{Bismuth}			69 Tm 168.9 ^{Thulium}		101 Md	Mendelevium
		6 C 12.01 ^{Carbon}	14 Si 28.09	32 Ge 72.64 Germanium	50 Sn 118.7	82 Pb 207.2 ^{Lead}			68 Er 167.3 ^{Erbium}		100 Fm	Fermium
		5 B 10.81 ^{Boron}	13 Al 26.98	31 Ga 69.72 Gallium	49 In 114.8 Indium	81 TI 204.4 ^{Thallium}			67 Ho 164.9 ^{Holmium}		99 Es	Einsteinium
			-	30 Zn 65.38 ^{Zinc}	48 Cd 112.4 ^{Cadmium}	80 Hg 200.6 Mercury	112 Cn Copernicium		66 Dy 162.5 Dysprosium		98 Cf	Californium
				29 Cu 63.55 ^{Copper}	47 Ag 107.9 ^{Silver}	79 Au 197.0 ^{Gold}	111 Rg Roentgenium		65 Tb 158.9 ^{Terbium}		97 Bk	Berkelium
ents	, gold)	Atomic number 79 Symbol Au Standard atomic weight 197.0	plo	28 Ni Nickel	46 Pd 106.4 ^{Palladium}	78 Pt 195.1 ^{Platinum}	110 Ds Darmstadtium		64 Gd 157.3 ^{Gadolinium}		96 Cm	Curium
f elem				27 Co 58.93 ^{Cobalt}	45 Rh 102.9 ^{Rhodium}	77 Ir 192.2 Iridium	109 Mt Meitnerium		63 Eu 152.0 ^{Europium}		95 Am	Americium
able o)	26 Fe 55.85 Iron	44 Ru 101.1 ^{Ruthenium}	76 Os 190.2 ^{Osmium}	108 Hs Hassium		62 Sm 150.4 ^{Samarium}		94 Pu	Plutonium
Periodic table of elements	<ey< b=""> (for example, gold)</ey<>	Atomic number Symbol Standard atomi		25 Mn 54.94 ^{Manganese}	43 Tc Technetium	75 Re 186.2 ^{Rhenium}	107 Bh Bohrium		61 Promethium		93 Np	Neptunium
Per	(for	Atomic Symbol Standaı	Name	24 Cr 52.00 ^{Chromium}	42 Mo 95.96 ^{Molybdenum}	74 W 183.9 ^{Tungsten}	106 Sg ^{Seaborgium}		60 Nd 144.2 Neodymium		92 U 238.0	
	ΞL			23 V Vanadium	41 Nb 92.91 ^{Niobium}	73 Ta 180.9 ^{Tantalum}	105 Db Dubnium		59 Pr 140.9 ^{Praseodymiun}		91 Pa 231.0	Protactinium
				22 Ti 47.87 ^{Titanium}	40 Zr 91.22 ^{Zirconium}	72 Hf 178.5 ^{Hafhium}	104 Rf Rutherfordium	ds 58 140.1 ^{Cerium}			90 Th 232.0	Thorium
				21 Sc 44.96 ^{Scandium}	39 Y 88.91 ^{Yttrium}	57-71 Lanthanoids	89–103 Actinoids	Lanthanoids	57 La 138.9 Lanthanum	Actinoids	89 Ac	Actinium
		4 Be 9.012 ^{Beryllium}	12 Mg 24.31	20 Ca 40.08 Calcium	38 Sr 87.61 ^{Strontium}	56 Ba 137.3 ^{Banium}	88 Ra ^{Radium}			*		
	1 H 1.008 ^{Hydrogen}	3 Li 6.941 ^{Lithium}	11 Na 22.99	19 19 39.10 Potassium	37 Rb 85.47 ^{Rubidium}	55 Cs 132.9 ^{Caesium}	87 Fr ^{Francium}					

3.3 Subatomic particles

Inert elements

Other metals

Alkali earth metals

Alkali metals

Halogens

Rare earth metals

Transition metals

Non-metals

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