

Group Number	Group Name	Example Elements	Common Ion Charge
1	Alkali metals	Li, Na, K	+1
2	Alkaline earth metals	Mg, Ca, Ba	+2
3	Boron group	B, Al	+3
4	Carbon group	C, Si, Sn	± 4 (can be +4 or -4 depending on compound)
5	Nitrogen group	N, P	-3 (non-metals), sometimes +3 or +5 in covalent compounds
6	Oxygen group (Chalcogens)	O, S	-2 (non-metals), sometimes +4 or +6 in covalent compounds
7	Halogens	F, Cl, Br, I	-1
8	Noble gases	He, Ne, Ar	0 (generally do not form ions)

4 Explain similarities in the chemical properties of elements in the same group of the Periodic Table in terms of **their electronic configuration** AND 5 Explain how the position of an element in the Periodic Table can be used to predict its properties

- Elements in the same group have the same electronic configuration, so they have the same chemical properties.
- The position of the element can be used to tell the electronic configuration

6 Identify trends in groups, given information about the elements

- Trends in groups include: electron arrangement, type of oxide, reaction of acid, bonding, and physical features.
- Group of 1-4: (↑ means increases and ↓ means decreases)

Group	Example Elements	Density Trend	Melting/Boiling Point Trend	Reactivity Trend	Physical Properties	Type of Oxide	Bonding
1 (Alkali metals)	Li, Na, K	↑ down group	↓ down group	↑ down group	Soft, low density, shiny, malleable	Basic oxides (Na ₂ O)	Metallic
2 (Alkaline earth metals)	Mg, Ca, Ba	↑ down group	↓ down group	↑ down group	Harder than Group 1, higher density	Basic oxides (CaO)	Metallic
3 (Boron group)	B, Al	↑ down group	↓ down group	Reactivity ↑ down group	B: brittle non-metal; Al: strong, malleable metal	Amphoteric (Al ₂ O ₃), basic (Ga ₂ O ₃)	Covalent (B), Metallic (Al)
4 (Carbon group)	C, Si, Sn	↑ down group	↓ down group	Non-metallic → metallic reactivity	C: non-metal (diamond hard, graphite soft); Si: brittle; Sn/Pb: malleable metals	Non-metal oxides acidic (CO ₂), metallic oxides basic (SnO)	Covalent (C, Si), Metallic (Sn, Pb)

- Trends for groups 5-8 and transition metals:

5 (Nitrogen group)	N, P, Bi	↑ down group	↑ down group	Non-metal reactivity ↓ down group	N: gas; P: brittle solid; Bi: heavy metal	Non-metal oxides acidic (N_2O_5), metallic oxides basic	Covalent (N, P), Metallic (Bi)
6 (Oxygen group / Chalcogens)	O, S, Se	↑ down group	↑ down group	Reactivity ↓ down group	O: gas; S: brittle solid; Se: brittle solid	Non-metal oxides acidic (SO_2), metallic oxides basic	Covalent (O, S), Metallic (Po)
7 (Halogens)	F, Cl, Br, I	↑ down group	↑ down group	Reactivity ↓ down group	F/Cl: gases; Br: liquid; I: solid	Acidic oxides (Cl_2O_7)	Covalent
8 (Noble gases)	He, Ne, Ar	↑ down group	↑ down group	Very low reactivity	Colorless gases, monatomic, low density	No stable oxides (XeO_4 rare)	Atomic (monatomic gases)
Transition metals	Fe, Cu, Cr	High densities	High melting/boiling points	Variable reactivity	Hard, strong, malleable, good conductors	Mostly basic oxides (FeO), some amphoteric (ZnO , Cr_2O_3)	Metallic bonding, variable oxidation states

8.2 Group I properties

1 Describe the Group I alkali metals, lithium, sodium and potassium, as relatively soft metals with general trends down the group, limited to:

(a) decreasing melting point

(b) increasing density [exception is sodium and potassium]

(c) increasing reactivity

2 Predict the properties of other elements in Group I, given information about the elements

Element	Density (g/cm^3)	Melting Point ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Reactivity Trend
Lithium (Li)	0.53	181	Reacts slowly with water, produces hydrogen gas and lithium hydroxide.
Sodium (Na)	0.97	98	Reacts vigorously with water, melts into a

			ball, produces hydrogen gas and sodium hydroxide.
Potassium (K)	0.86	63	Reacts very vigorously, ignites hydrogen gas, produces potassium hydroxide.
Rubidium (Rb)	1.53	39	Reacts explosively with water, produces rubidium hydroxide.
Cesium (Cs)	1.88–1.90	28	Extremely reactive, explodes violently in water, produces cesium hydroxide.
Francium (Fr)	~2.48 (estimated)	~27 (estimated)	Highly radioactive, extremely reactive, but too unstable for lab experiments.

8.3 Group VII properties

1 Describe the Group VII halogens, chlorine, bromine and iodine, as diatomic non-metals with general trends down the group, limited to:

- (a) increasing density
- (b) decreasing reactivity

2 State the appearance of the halogens at r.t.p. as:

- (a) chlorine, a pale yellow-green gas
- (b) bromine, a red-brown liquid

(c) iodine, a grey-black solid

3 Describe and explain the displacement reactions of halogens with other halide ions

- A more reactive halogen displaces a less reactive halogen from a solution.
- EXAMPLE: $\text{Cl}_2 (\text{aq}) + 2\text{KBr} (\text{aq}) \rightarrow 2\text{KCl} (\text{aq}) + \text{Br}_2 (\text{aq})$
- The ionic equation, $\text{Cl}_2 + 2\text{Br}^- \rightarrow 2\text{Cl}^- + \text{Br}_2$, shows that chlorine displaced bromide ions. The more reactive halogen becomes ions and the less reactive halogen gets displaced.

4 Predict the properties of other elements in Group VII, given information about the elements

Element	Symbol	Appearance	Density (g/cm ³)	Melting Point (°C)	Reactivity Trend
Fluorine	F	Pale yellow gas	~0.0017	-220	Most reactive halogen, reacts explosively with many substances
Chlorine	Cl	Greenish-yellow gas	~0.0032	-101	Very reactive, displaces bromine and iodine from salts

Bromine	Br	Red-brown liquid	~3.12	-7	Reactive, but less than chlorine; displaces iodine
Iodine	I	Dark grey solid (sublimes to purple vapor)	~4.93	114	Less reactive, reacts slowly with water
Astatine	At	Black solid (rare, radioactive)	~7 (estimated)	~302 (estimated)	Least reactive halogen, unstable and radioactive

8.4 Transition elements

1 Describe the transition elements as metals that:

(a) have high densities

(c) have high melting points

(d) form coloured compounds

(e) often act as catalysts as elements and in compounds

2 Describe transition elements as having ions with variable oxidation numbers, including iron(II) and iron(III)

Transition Metal	Symbol	Common Oxidation Numbers
Scandium	Sc	+3
Titanium	Ti	+2, +3, +4
Vanadium	V	+2, +3, +4, +5

Chromium	Cr	+2, +3, +6
Manganese	Mn	+2, +3, +4, +6, +7
Iron	Fe	+2, +3
Cobalt	Co	+2, +3
Nickel	Ni	+2, +3
Copper	Cu	+1, +2
Zinc	Zn	+2
Silver	Ag	+1
Gold	Au	+1, +3
Mercury(liquid at room temperature)	Hg	+1, +2

8.5 Noble gases

1 Describe the Group VIII noble gases as unreactive, monatomic gases and explain this in terms of electronic configuration

- Elements react to obtain a full outer shell of electrons and become stable. Since noble gases have outer electron shells, they do not need to be reactive.

END OF CHAPTER