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### Overview:

The students will use material safety data sheets (MSDS) to examine element properties of their assigned elements and look for trends. Next, each group will organize their elements according to physical properties. Finally, the students will use a simple circuit to test the conductivity of given elements (separate metals from nonmetals).

### **Objectives:**

The student will:

- classify elements and explain their classification;
- predict patterns in the elements by developing groups based on element properties; and
- write a report about their newly created periodic table.

### **GLEs Addressed:**

Science

- [10-11] SA1.1 The student demonstrates an understanding of the processes of science by asking questions, predicting, observing, describing, measuring, classifying, making generalizations, analyzing data, developing models, inferring, and communicating.
- [11] SB1.1 The student demonstrates an understanding of the structure and properties of matter by predicting the properties of an element (i.e., reactivity, metal, non-metal) using the periodic table and verifying the prediction through experimentation.

Writing

[10] 4.2.2 The student writes for a variety of purposes and audiences by writing in a variety of nonfiction forms (e.g., letter, report, biography, autobiography, and/or essay) to inform, describe or persuade.

### **Vocabulary:**

atomic mass - the mass of any kind of atom usually expressed in atomic mass units

atomic number - a characteristic of a chemical element representing the quantity of protons in the nucleus (also called a proton number)

ductility – the ability of a material of being drawn out (as into a wire) or hammered thin without fracture.

group/family - several things having common characteristics; especially: a closely related series of elements or chemical compounds.

luster - a shine or sheen especially from reflected light.

malleability – the ability to be extended or shaped by beating with a hammer or by the pressure of rollers; the amount of strain a material will take before it breaks

metal - any of various substances (e.g. gold, tin, or copper) that have a somewhat shiny appearance, conduct electricity and heat, can melt, and are usually capable of being shaped; especially one that is a chemical element rather than an alloy

neutron - an uncharged atomic particle with a mass nearly equal to that of the proton; present in all known atomic nuclei except the hydrogen nucleus

non-metal - any of a number of elements, such as oxygen or sulfur, that lack the physical and chemical properties of a metal

period - a series of elements of increasing atomic number as listed in horizontal rows in the periodic table
proton - an atomic particle that occurs in the nucleus of every atom and carries a positive charge equal in size to the negative charge of an electron



quantum number - the energy level of the electron in an atom

reactivity - the relative capacity of an atom, molecule, or radical to combine chemically with another atom, molecule, or radical

transitional element - any of the metallic elements that have an incomplete inner electron shell and that serve as transitional links between the most and the least electropositive in a series of elements; characterized by multiple valences, colored compounds, and the ability to form stable complex ions; also called transition metal

valence shell electron - an electron contained in the outermost, or valence, electron shell of an atom

### **Materials:**

- Safety goggles (one per student)
- Elements (various, enough for student testing)
- Material safety data sheets (MSDS) (one for each element given to a group)
- 6-volt dry cell battery (one per group)
- Electrical wire with insulation removed from each end (three lengths per group)
- 6-volt light bulb (one per group)
- 6-volt light bulb socket (one per group)
- OVERHEAD: "Periodic Table of Elements"
- STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET: "Simple Light Circuit"
- STUDENT WORKSHEET: "Conductivity Chart"

### **Activity Preparation:**

1. Using the chalkboard, white board, or a large sheet of paper, create a large blank periodic table of elements for students to fill in during the lesson.

### **Activity Procedure:**

### Gear Up

Process Skills: communicating, inferring

1. Ask students to discuss what they know about the periodic table. Create a KWL chart of responses.

### Explore

Process Skills: observing, analyzing data, classifying, communicating

- 2. Explain/define the vocabulary terms associated with element classification.
- 3. Divide students into teams of four and give each group a periodic table of elements. Assign each group a dozen elements from the periodic table and distribute a set of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) on the elements they are assigned. Explain each group will use the MSDS to examine element properties of their assigned elements and look for trends. Next, each group will organize their elements according to physical properties.

### Generalize

Process Skills: communicating, inferring, predicting

- 4. Ask students why elements are grouped together in the periodic table. Why do certain combinations of elements yield predictable reactions?
- 5. Invite each group to present the trends they discovered to the class.
- 6. After each group has presented, ask each group to place their elements on the large blank periodic table. As a class, compare and contrast the newly created periodic table to the current accepted version.
- 7. Complete the "what you learned" section of the KWL chart.





- 8. Ask students the following questions:
  - a. What properties of elements follow trends?
  - b. What properties would an element need to fill the gaps in the newly created periodic table?

### Experiment

Process Skills: classifying, developing models

- 9. Instruct groups to create a chart of their assigned elements.
- 10. Instruct groups to choose *five* element properties from the vocabulary list to use in classifying their elements.
- 11. Next, direct groups to examine their elements and record each element's properties.
- 12. Distribute the STUDENT WORKSHEET: "Simple Light Circuit" and necessary materials (elements, safety goggles, 6-volt light bulb, 6-volt light bulb socket, electrical wire, and 6-volt battery). Instruct groups to follow the instructions on the worksheet to perform an experiment, which will test whether elements are metals or non-metals.
- 13. Direct students to compare their results to the accepted periodic table of elements.

### Interpret

Process Skill: communicating

14. Instruct a spokesperson from each group to present their element placement trends and compare them to the accepted periodic table of elements.

### Apply/Assess

Process Skill: communicating

15. Assign students a written report explaining why their newly created periodic table differs from the accepted version; which is more accurate, and why?

### **Extension Ideas:**

Discuss the following:

- 1. What additional element properties might be considered when grouping elements into periods and families/groups?
- 2. Provide students with the properties of an element *not used* in their chart and instruct them to determine where it would fit within their table of elements.

Objective	GLE	Emergent	Developing	Proficient	Advanced
The student classifies elements and explains their classification.	SA1.1	The student cannot explain periodic trends.	The student can explain periodic trends and recognize that by adding a proton an element is changed.	The student accounts for valence shell properties in classifying their elements.	The student groups elements according to their valence shell properties.
The student predicts patterns in the elements by developing groups based on element properties.	SB1.1	The students cannot identify properties that identify elements and create periods or families/ groups based on elements properties.	The student identifies three properties that distinguish elements but cannot create periods or families/groups based on element properties.	The student identifies five properties that distinguish elements and create periods, but not families/ groups based on element properties.	The student can identify seven properties that distinguish elements and create both periods and families/groups based on element properties.
The student writes a report about their newly created periodic table.	W4.2.2	The student's report does not contain a proper essay format. The report is not clearly written and contains many grammatical errors.	The student's report contains an introductory paragraph but does not provide supporting paragraphs. The report is not clearly written and contains many grammatical errors.	The student's report contains an introductory paragraph and provides support paragraphs. The report contains only a few grammatical errors.	The student's report contains an introductory paragraph and support paragraphs. The report is free of grammatical errors.

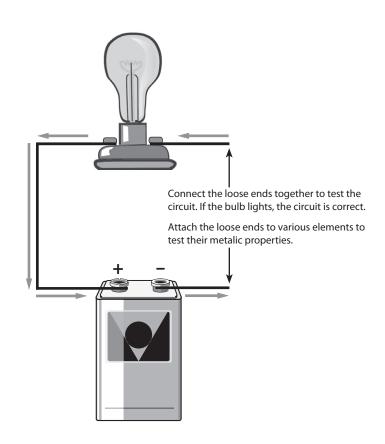


## RECREATE THE PERIODIC TABLE OF ELEMENTS STUDENT INFORMATION SIMPLE LIGHT CIRCUIT



**Directions:** Create a simple light circuit by completing the following steps.

- 1. Attach the end of one length of electrical wire to the positive end (+) of the battery holder.
- 2. Attach the other end of the same piece of wire to one end of the light bulb socket.
- 3. Attach another length of wire to the other end of the light bulb socket
- 4. Attach a third piece of wire to the negative (-) end of the battery. (The result should resemble the diagram below.)
- 5. Connect the loose wires together and screw the light bulb into the socket.
- 6. If the light bulb lights, the circuit is correct. If not, try again.
- 7. Once the simple circuit is working properly, disconnect the loose wires.
- 8. Test the metallic properties of elements by placing the element between the two wires, so that the wires are touching the element, but not each other.
- 9. Record the results on the STUDENT WORKSHEET: "Conductivity Chart."

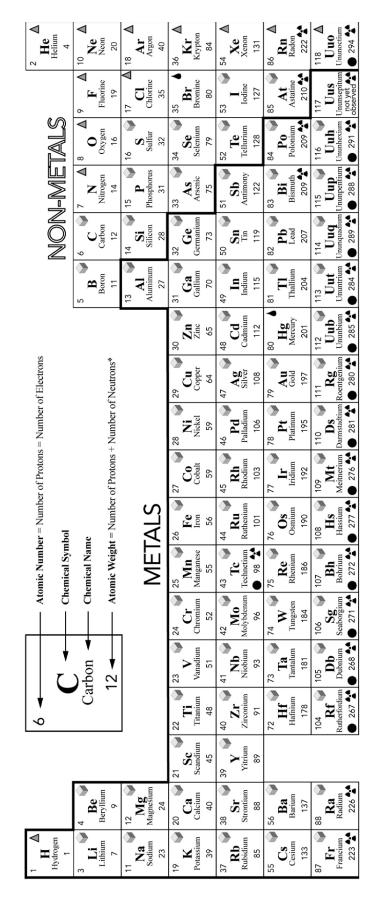


**Directions:** As you perform the "Simple Light Circuit" activity, list each element in the appropriate column of the chart below, then indicate its conductivity by making a mark in the appropriate column.

**Conductivity Chart** 

Element	Full conductivit	Partial y conductivity	No conductivity

## The Periodic Table of Elements



KEY	57	28 Ce	57	09 A	61 <b>Pm</b>	62 Sm	63 K.II	64 Cd	65 <b>Th</b>	96 VG	67 PO	68 F.r	69 PM	70 V	71
Solid at room temperature	Lanthanum	Cerium	Praseodymium	Neodymium	Promethium	Samarium	Europium	Gadolinium	Terbium	Dysprosium	Holmium	Erbium	Thilium	Yiterbium	Lutetium
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A C.															
temperature	88	06	91	92	93	94	95	<b>3</b> 96	97	38	<b>3</b> 66	100	101	102	103
A = Radioactive	Ac Th Pa	Th	Pa	n	dN	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	C	Es	Fm	Md	N <sub>o</sub>	Ľ
Artificially Made	Actinium	Thorium	Protactinium	Uranium	Neptunium	Plutonium	Americium	Curium	Berkelium	Califonium	Einsteinium	Fermium	Mendelevium	Nobelium	awrencium
	227	232	231	238	237 🛬	● 244 🛬	*   • 243 *   • 247 *   • 247 *   • 251 *	247	247	251	252	252 😤 🕒 257 😤	258	259	262

\*The atomic weights listed on this Table of Elements have been rounded to the nearest whole number. As a result, this chart actually displays the mass number of a specific isotope for each element. An element's complete, unrounded atomic weight can be found on the It's Elemental web site: http://education/jlab.org/itselemental/index.html

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