Testing for positive ions Worksheet

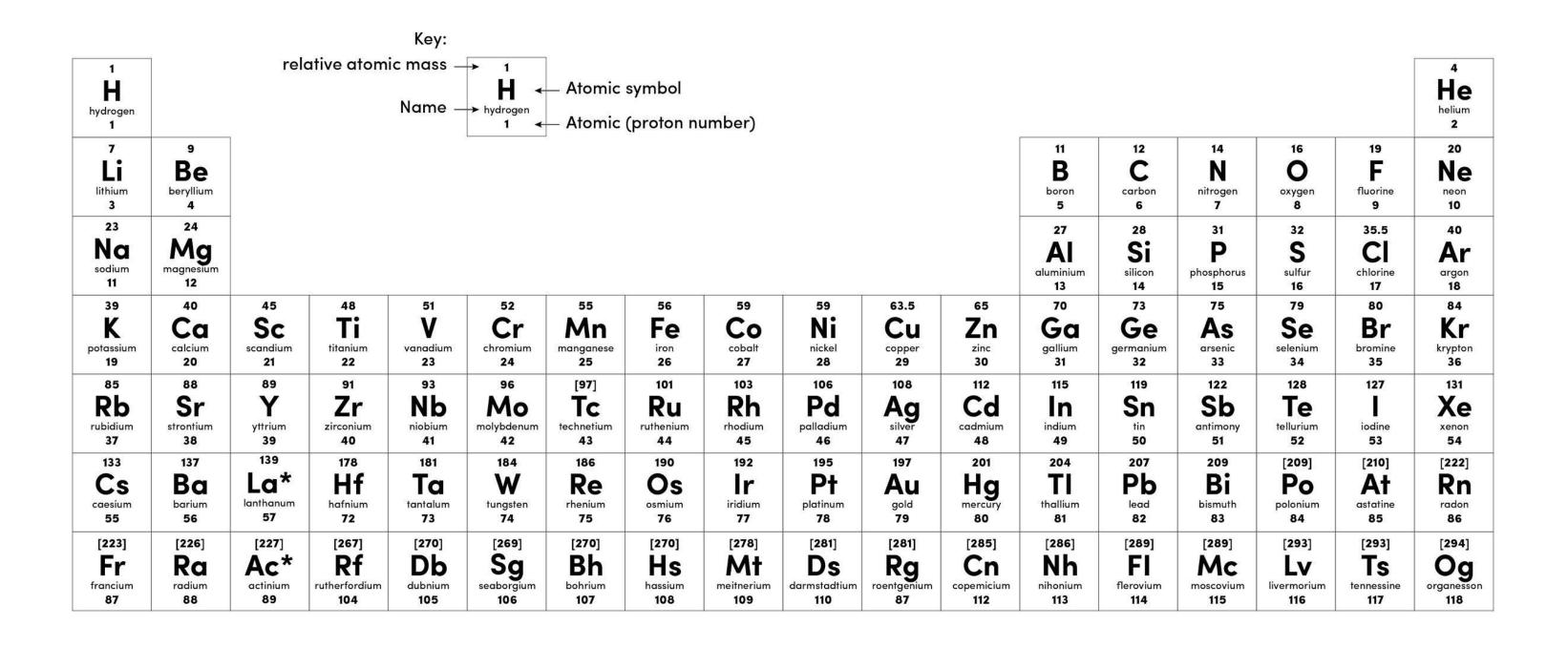
Separate Science - Chemistry - Key Stage 4

C8 Chemical Analysis

Mr Robbins



Periodic Table of Elements





^{*} The lanthanides (atomic numbers 58 – 71) and the Actinides (atomic numbers 90 – 103) have been omitted. Relative atomic masses for **Cu** and **Cl** have not been rounded to the nearest whole number.

- 1. What is the name for positive ions?
- 2. A student has a solution of calcium chloride. What colour will its flame test be?
- 3. What will happen if sodium hydroxide is added dropwise?
- 4. Write a balanced symbol equation for the reaction.
- 5. A student has a sample of copper nitrate. What colour will its flame test be?
- 6. What will happen if sodium hydroxide is added dropwise?
- 7. Write a balanced symbol equation for the reaction.



Answers

- 1. Cations
- 2. Orange-red flame
- 3. White precipitate will form
- 4. $CaCl_2(aq) + 2NaOH(aq) \rightarrow Ca(OH)_2(s) + 2NaCl(aq)$
- 5. Green flame
- 6. Blue precipitate will form
- 7. $Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2NaOH (aq) \rightarrow Cu(OH)_2 (s) + 2NaNO_3 (aq)$



Independent task

- 1. Why did we dip the wire in hydrochloric acid?
- 2. Why do we need to use a roaring flame?
- 3. Complete the table

lon	Colour of flame
Copper	
Lithium	
Calcium	
Sodium	
Potassium	



Independent task

- 1. What state do metal hydroxides often have?
- 2. What word do we use to describe when a solid appears from mixing two solutions?
- 3. Which metal hydroxide dissolves when excess sodium hydroxide is added?
- 4. Complete the table

Substance	Colour of precipitate with NaOH
Aluminium	
Iron (II)	
Calcium	
Copper	
Iron (III)	
Magnesium	



Symbol equations - Your turn

Copper chloride + Sodium hydroxide → _____ + Sodium chloride

$$CuCl_{2}(aq) + ____(aq) \rightarrow ___(OH)_{2}(s) + 2 NaCl (aq)$$



Symbol equations - Your turn

Aluminium chloride + Sodium hydroxide → Aluminium hydroxide + Sodium chloride

_____(aq) +NaOH (aq)
$$\rightarrow$$
 _____(OH)₃ (s) + 3 NaCl (aq)



Independent task

- Write the word equation for the reaction between magnesium bromide solution and sodium hydroxide
- 2. Write a balanced symbol equation for the same reaction above
- 3. What colour will the precipitate be?

