# Reactivity Lesson 17 - Producing a Voltage L2

Chemistry - Key Stage 3

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## What is the independent variable?

#### Option 1

The variable I measure

#### Option 3

The variable I change

#### Option 2

The variables I keep the same



Which combination of metal electrodes produces the biggest voltage?

Independent - the combination of metal electrodes.



## What is the dependent variable?

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#### Option 3

The variables I change

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The variables I keep the same



Which combination of metal electrodes produces the biggest voltage?

Dependent - the voltage produced.



Which combination of metal electrodes produces the biggest voltage?

Draw a results table for our investigation.



Which combination of metal electrodes produces the biggest voltage?

Table to show how the pair of metal electrode affects the voltage produced.

| Metal pairs | Voltage produced (V) |
|-------------|----------------------|
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| Metal pairs          | Voltage<br>produced (V) |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Copper and Aluminium | 1.2                     |
| Copper and Zinc      | 0.7                     |
| Copper and Iron      | 0.6                     |
| Copper and Copper    | 0                       |

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#### **Copper and Aluminium**



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Which pair of metal electrodes produced no voltage?

**Copper and Copper** 



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Which pair of metals are furthest apart on the reactivity series?

**Copper and Aluminium** 



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- 1. Which pair of metals produced the biggest voltage?
- 2. What voltage did they produce?
- 3. Which pair of metals produced the smallest voltage?
- 4. What voltage did they produce?
- 5. Can you link the distance of the metal pair on the reactivity series to the results?
- 6. Can you explain why this might be?



- 1. The pair of metals that produced the biggest voltage were copper and aluminium.
- 2. They produced 1.2V.
- 3. The pair of metals that produced the smallest voltage were copper and copper.
- 4. They produced OV.
- 5. The further apart a pair of metals on the reactivity series, the higher the voltage they produced.
- 6. This is because when there is a bigger difference in their reactivity there will be a bigger build up of charge on one of the metal electrodes than the other creating a bigger potential difference (voltage).

