

Combined Science - Chemistry - Key Stage 4

Quantitative Chemistry

Relative Formula Mass - Higher

Mrs. Begum



Periodic Table of Elements

Key:

relative atomic mass → **H** ← Atomic symbol
 Name → hydrogen ← Atomic (proton number)

1 H hydrogen 1	4 He helium 2
7 Li lithium 3	9 Be beryllium 4
23 Na sodium 11	24 Mg magnesium 12
39 K potassium 19	40 Ca calcium 20
45 Sc scandium 21	48 Ti titanium 22
51 V vanadium 23	52 Cr chromium 24
55 Mn manganese 25	56 Fe iron 26
59 Co cobalt 27	59 Ni nickel 28
63.5 Cu copper 29	65 Zn zinc 30
70 Ga gallium 31	73 Ge germanium 32
75 As arsenic 33	79 Se selenium 34
80 Br bromine 35	84 Kr krypton 36
85 Rb rubidium 37	88 Sr strontium 38
89 Y yttrium 39	91 Zr zirconium 40
93 Nb niobium 41	96 Mo molybdenum 42
[97] Tc technetium 43	101 Ru ruthenium 44
103 Rh rhodium 45	106 Pd palladium 46
108 Ag silver 47	112 Cd cadmium 48
115 In indium 49	119 Sn tin 50
122 Sb antimony 51	128 Te tellurium 52
127 I iodine 53	131 Xe xenon 54
133 Cs caesium 55	137 Ba barium 56
139 La* lanthanum 57	178 Hf hafnium 72
181 Ta tantalum 73	184 W tungsten 74
186 Re rhenum 75	190 Os osmium 76
192 Ir iridium 77	195 Pt platinum 78
197 Au gold 79	201 Hg mercury 80
204 Tl thallium 81	207 Pb lead 82
209 Bi bismuth 83	[209] Po polonium 84
[210] At astatine 85	[210] Rn radon 86
[223] Fr francium 87	[226] Ra radium 88
[227] Ac* actinium 89	[227] Rf rutherfordium 104
[267] Db dubnium 105	[269] Sg seaborgium 106
[270] Bh bohrium 107	[270] Hs hassium 108
[278] Mt meitnerium 109	[281] Ds darmstadtium 110
[281] Rg roentgenium 87	[285] Cn copernicium 112
[286] Nh nihonium 113	[289] Fl flerovium 114
[289] Mc moscovium 115	[293] Lv livermorium 116
[293] Ts tennessine 117	[294] Og organesson 118



Percentage composition questions

1. Calculate the percentage composition for the named element in these compounds:

- a) Aluminium in Al_2O_3
- b) Oxygen in K_2SO_4
- c) Hydrogen in $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$
- d) Nitrogen in $\text{Mg}(\text{NO}_3)_2$

Relative atomic masses:

- Al = 27
- H = 1
- K = 39
- Mg = 24
- N = 14
- O = 16
- S = 32
- Cu = 63.5



Relative formula mass question

2. The relative formula mass of a Group 1 sulphate is 174.

The formula is X_2SO_4 :

Relative atomic masses (A_r): $S = 32$ $O = 16$

- a) Calculate the relative atomic mass of the Group 1 metal.
- b) Name the metal.



Exam Question 1

3. Potassium nitrate is another nitrogen compound. It is used in fertilisers. It has the formula **KNO₃**.

The **M_r** of potassium nitrate is **101**.

Calculate the percentage of **oxygen** by mass in potassium nitrate.

Relative atomic mass: O = 16.

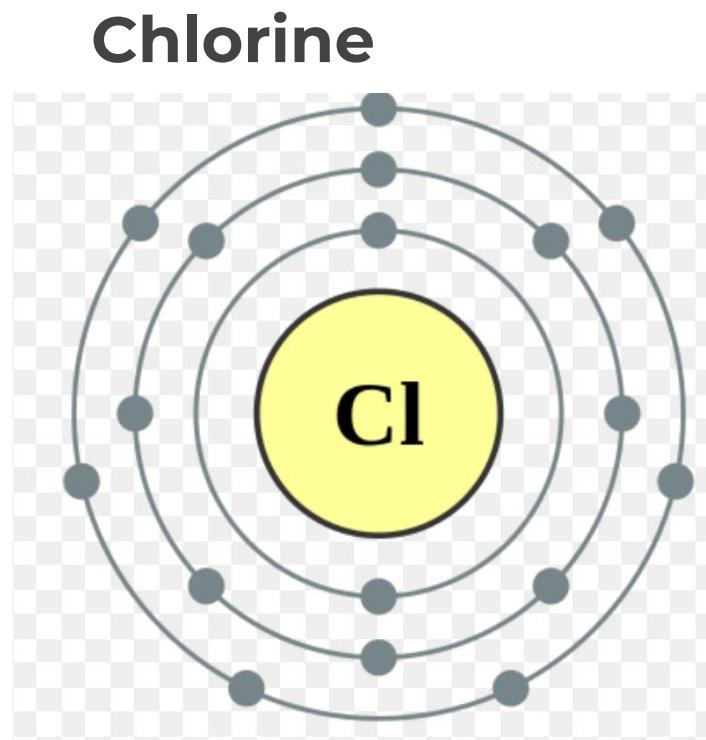
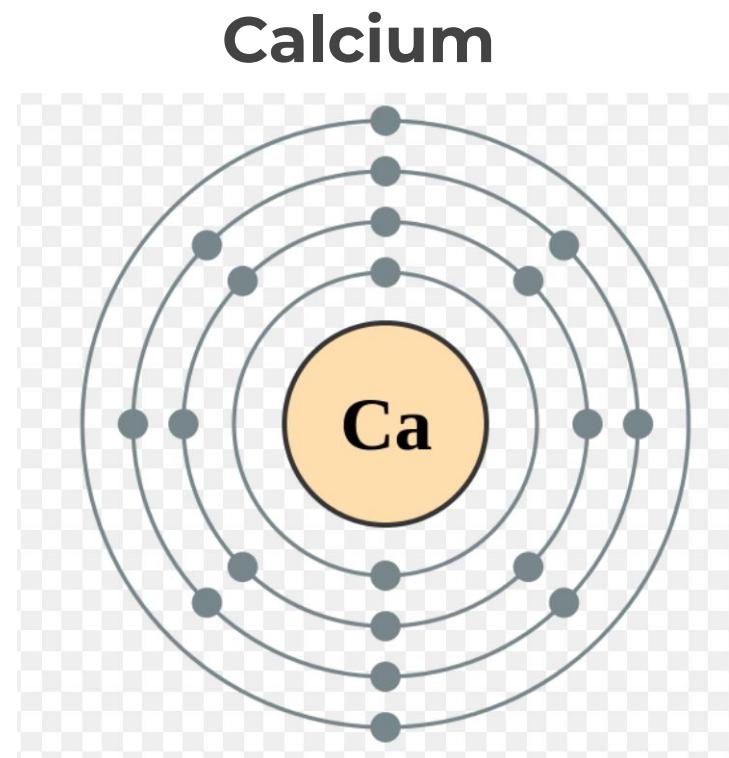
Percentage of oxygen = _____ %

(2)



Exam Question 2

4. (a) The diagram shows an atom of calcium and an atom of chlorine.



Describe, in terms of electrons, how calcium atoms and chlorine atoms change into ions to produce calcium chloride (CaCl_2). **(4)**

(b) Calculate the relative formula mass (M_r) of calcium chloride (CaCl_2).

Relative atomic masses (A_r):
calcium = 40; chlorine = 35.5

Relative formula mass (M_r) = _____ **(2)**

Credit - Calcium and chlorine atom by Pumbaa, Wikimedia Commons.



Exam Question 3

5.

- (a) The percentage by mass of oxygen in carbon dioxide (CO_2) is calculated by the equation:

$$\text{percentage by mass} = \frac{\text{number of atoms of O} \times \text{Relative atomic mass of oxygen (O)}}{\text{relative molecular mass of carbon dioxide (CO}_2\text{)}} \times 100$$

Relative atomic masses (A_r): C = 12 O = 16

Calculate the percentage by mass of oxygen in carbon dioxide (CO_2). (2)



Answers

1. a) 52.9%
b) 45.1%
c) 3.8%
d) 18.9%

2. a) 39
b) Potassium

3. 47.5%

4. a) Calcium loses two electrons
two atoms of chlorine gain one
electron each

b) $40 + (2 \times 35.5) = 111$

5. a) $M_r = 12 + (2 \times 16)$
 $M_r = 44$

Mass of oxygen = $2 \times 16 = 32$
 $32/44 \times 100 = 72.7\%$

