

## Periodic Trend Research

1. Which trend are you researching? Ionization Energy Trend
2. Define "first ionization energy". The amount of energy required to remove 1 valence electron from the outermost orbital
3. What trend happens when successive ionization energies are measured? Usually the energy required increases because the atom becomes less stable as it loses electrons
4. How is ionization energy measured? kilojoules per mole (1 mole = atomic mass listed on periodic table)
5. What happens to the trend moving from left to right across a period? Ionization Energy increases to the right
6. Explain how this trend affects the noble gases. Noble gases are stable atoms due to full valence orbitals. They have HIGH ionization energies because it requires a lot of energy to force them to lose an electron.
7. What happens to the trend moving down a group? Ionization Energy decreases down a group because valence electrons are further from the nucleus making it easier to remove them
8. How does Coulomb's Law affect this trend? Larger atoms with more orbitals require less Ionization Energy; Smaller atoms with less orbitals require more Ionization Energy; the closer opposite charges are the stronger they attract
9. Explain how the trend is different for metals versus nonmetals. For any given period (row) on the table, metals will require LESS Ionization Energy because they have less protons in their nucleus; weaker electromagnetic attraction
10. Which group/ element has the largest value for this trend? Group 18 Noble Gases / Helium
11. Which group/ element has the smallest value for this trend? Group 1 Alkali Metals / Francium
12. How does this trend affects ionic bonding? Ionic bonding occurs when a metal TRANSFERS valence electrons to a nonmetal; the lower the IE of the metal, the easier it is to transfer the valence electrons
13. How does this trend affects covalent bonding? Ionization energy is the energy required to REMOVE an electron; however, covalent bonding wants to SHARE - not remove; so it does NOT favor covalent bonding
14. How does the ability to lose a valence electron affect the bonds polarity? Losing electrons makes the atom more positive; positive ions are called CATIONS; when an atom gains a positive or negative charge it has INCREASED its polarity
15. How do the other trends affect this one? Atomic radius and shielding effect Ionization Energy because the larger the atom, the greater the shielding effect (core electrons blocking the attraction between the protons and the valence electrons), which makes it require less energy to remove a valence electron