

# Periodic Trends Logic Puzzles

The code letters A to Z have been assigned to 26 elements from the periodic table. The code letters have nothing to do with an element's name or symbol. Use the clues to place the code letters in the correct place on the blank periodic table. **Hint:** First, decide which set of elements go in each column

1 1A	W	2 2A		13 3A	14 4A	15 5A	16 6A	17 7A	18 8A	Z
2	R	N		F	H	O	C	Y		D
3	U	V		B	I	E	S	X		G
4	K	J		T	P	A	M	Q		L

## Clues:

- The following elements belong together in families: BFT, DGLZ, JNV, CMS, QXY, AEO, IPH, UKWR
- H has four valence electrons
- You need to breathe C to live
- G is a noble gas
- U is an alkali metal
- E has 5 electrons in its outer shell
- N is an alkaline earth metal
- T has 3 electrons in the 4<sup>th</sup> shell
- Q is a halogen
- F has the smallest mass in its family
- T has a larger atomic radius than B
- J has more protons than V
- V has more protons than N
- P has the lowest ionization energy in its family
- H is in sugar molecules
- H has fewer electron shells than any other element in its group
- S's atomic radius is greater than C's
- S has a smaller atomic # than M
- Q is the halogen with the lowest effective nuclear charge
- Y's ionization energy is higher than X
- K reacts more violently than U
- U has a greater atomic mass than R
- W is not a metal
- On average, Z has 2 neutrons
- Atoms of D have 10 protons
- Atoms of G have electrons in 3 energy levels
- L has more protons than another element in its family
- O has electrons in two different shells
- Atoms of E have a smaller atomic radius than atoms of A

## Puzzle #2

	1 1A							18 8A
1	J							B
2	D	I						L
3	W	P						R
4	O	H						T
		13 3A	14 4A	15 5A	16 6A	17 7A		
		N	M	C	X	K		
		A	V	E	S	U		
		Z	Q	F	Y	G		

### Clues:

- The following elements belong together in groups: ECF, RLBT, YXS, HIP, VMQ, GKU, ZNA, DOWJ
- A has the valence electron configuration  $s^2p^1$
- B has only one energy level filled
- C has the least shielding in its group
- D has the lowest atomic number of metals in this group
- E has the valence electron configuration  $s^2p^3$
- F has the lowest ionization energy in its group
- G has the highest atomic mass in its group
- H is an alkaline earth metal
- I has the smallest atomic radius in its group
- J is the only element in this group which is not a metal
- K is a halogen
- L is a noble gas
- M has the smallest atomic radius in its group
- N has the least shielding in its group
- O has the highest atomic mass in its group
- P has three energy levels occupied
- Q has four valence electrons
- R has three energy levels occupied
- S has six valence electrons
- T has the largest atomic radius in its group
- U is in the same period with W & P
- V is in the same period with R
- W is an alkali metal
- X has the smallest atomic radius in its group
- Y has a smaller ionization energy than S
- Z has the highest ~~effective~~ nuclear charge in its group