



**Q1.**

Which statement is **not** correct about the Period 3 elements sodium to chlorine?

- A Sodium has the largest atomic radius.
- B Sodium has the lowest melting point.
- C Silicon has the highest melting point.
- D Chlorine has the highest first ionisation energy.

(Total 1 mark)

**Q2.**

Which element in Period 3 has the highest melting point?

- A Aluminium
- B Silicon
- C Sodium
- D Sulfur

(Total 1 mark)

**Q3.**

Which ion has the largest radius?

- A  $F^-$
- B  $Mg^{2+}$
- C  $Na^+$
- D  $O^{2-}$

(Total 1 mark)

**Q4.**

Which element has a first ionisation energy lower than that of sulfur?

- A Chlorine
- B Oxygen
- C Phosphorus
- D Selenium



**Q5.**

This question is about elements in Period 3 and their compounds.

- (a) When a piece of sodium is added to 200 cm<sup>3</sup> of water in a large beaker a vigorous reaction occurs. The temperature of the water increases by 25 °C

Give an equation, including state symbols, for the reaction of sodium with water. Suggest why it is dangerous to react a similar piece of sodium with 10 cm<sup>3</sup> of water in a boiling tube.

Equation

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Why it is dangerous

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- (b) Give an equation for the reaction of phosphorus(V) oxide with water.

Suggest a pH for the solution formed.

Equation

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- (c) Explain, in terms of crystal structure and bonding, why silicon(IV) oxide has a higher melting point than phosphorus(V) oxide.

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- (d) An element in Period 3 forms an oxide that is insoluble in water.  
This oxide reacts with sulfuric acid and with aqueous potassium hydroxide.

Give the formula for this oxide.

Give an equation for the reaction of this oxide with sulfuric acid.

Formula \_\_\_\_\_

Equation

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- (e) Give the formula of a hydroxide of an element in Period 3 used in medicine.

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(1)

- (f) Identify the element in Period 3, from sodium to chlorine, that has the largest atomic radius.

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(1)

(Total 12 marks)

**Q6.**

This question is about atomic structure.

- (a) There is a general trend for an increase in ionisation energy across Period 3. Give **one** example of an element that deviates from this trend.

Explain why this deviation occurs.

Element \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

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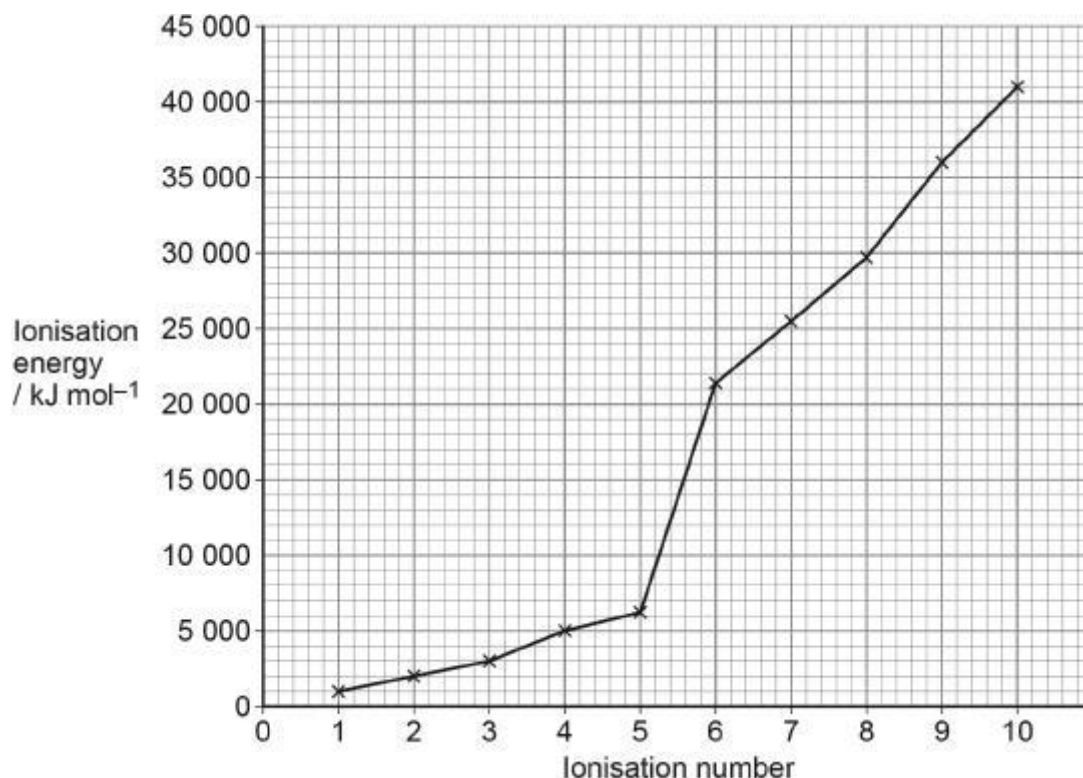
- (b) Give an equation, including state symbols, to represent the process that occurs when the **third** ionisation energy of sodium is measured.

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(c) The graph shows the successive ionisation energies of a Period 3 element, X.



Identify element X.  
Explain your choice.

Element \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

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(Total 7 marks)



**Q7.**

Which represents the correct order of increasing radius of the ions?

- A  $F^- O^{2-} Li^+ Be^{2+}$
- B  $Li^+ Be^{2+} O^{2-} F^-$
- C  $Be^{2+} Li^+ F^- O^{2-}$
- D  $O^{2-} F^- Li^+ Be^{2+}$

(Total 1 mark)

**Q8.**

Which of these elements has the highest melting point?

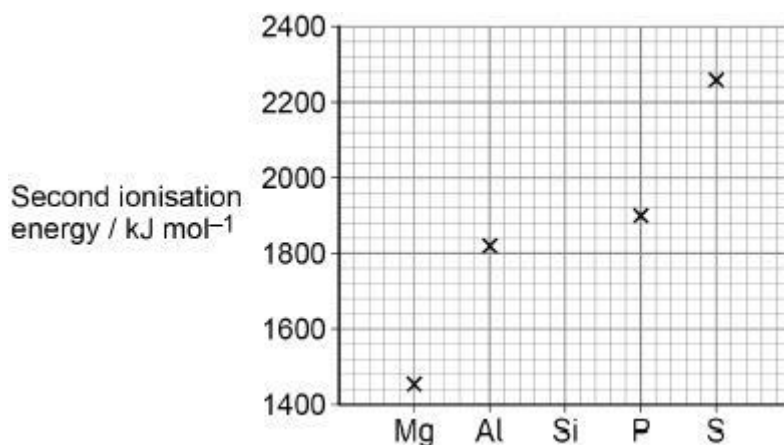
- A Argon
- B Chlorine
- C Silicon
- D Sulfur

(Total 1 mark)

**Q9.**

This question is about Period 3 elements.

The graph shows the **second** ionisation energies of some elements in Period 3.



(a) Draw a cross (x) on the graph above to show the **second** ionisation energy of silicon.

(1)



- (b) Identify the element in Period 3, from sodium to argon, that has the highest **second** ionisation energy.

Give an equation, including state symbols, to show the process that occurs when the **second** ionisation energy of this element is measured.

If you were unable to identify the element you may use the symbol **Q** in your equation.

Element \_\_\_\_\_

Equation

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- (c) Explain why the atomic radius decreases across Period 3, from sodium to chlorine.

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- (d) Identify the element in Period 3, from Na to Cl, that has the highest electronegativity.

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- (e) Phosphorus burns in air to form phosphorus(V) oxide.  
Give an equation for this reaction.

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(1)

(Total 7 marks)

### Q10.

This question is about compounds that contain fluorine.

- (a) Sodium fluoride contains sodium ions ( $\text{Na}^+$ ) and fluoride ions ( $\text{F}^-$ ).  
 $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{F}^-$  have the same electron configuration.

Explain why a fluoride ion is larger than a sodium ion.

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- (b) Explain, in terms of structure and bonding, why the melting point of sodium fluoride is high.

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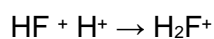
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- (c) The ion  $\text{H}_2\text{F}^+$  is formed when hydrogen fluoride gains a proton as shown in the equation



Name the type of bond formed when HF reacts with  $\text{H}^+$   
Explain how this bond is formed.

Type of bond \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

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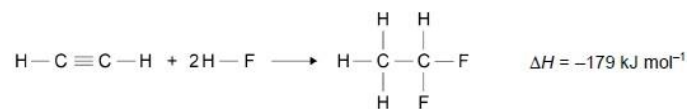
- (d) Fluoroantimonic acid contains two ions,  $\text{SbF}_6^-$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{F}^+$

Draw the shape of the  $\text{SbF}_6^-$  ion and the shape of the  $\text{H}_2\text{F}^+$  ion. Include any lone pairs that influence the shape. Name the shape of each ion.

	$\text{SbF}_6^-$	$\text{H}_2\text{F}^+$
Shape		
Name of shape		

(4)

- (e) Hydrogen fluoride reacts with ethyne ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ ) as shown in the equation. All compounds are in the gaseous state.



The table shows some mean bond enthalpy data.

Bond	C-H	$\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$	H-F	C-C
Mean bond enthalpy / $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	412	837	562	348

Use the data in the table above to calculate a value for the bond enthalpy of a C-F bond in the product.

C-F bond enthalpy \_\_\_\_\_  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$

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(Total 13 marks)



**Q11.**

This question is about periodicity, the Period 4 elements and their compounds.

- (a) State the meaning of the term periodicity.

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- (b) Identify the element in Period 4 with the highest electronegativity value.

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- (c) Identify the element in Period 4 with the largest atomic radius.

Explain your answer.

Element \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

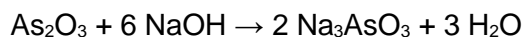
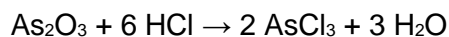
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- (d) The equations for two reactions of arsenic(III) oxide are shown.



Name the property of arsenic(III) oxide that describes its ability to react in these two ways.

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- (e) Complete the equation for the formation of arsenic hydride.



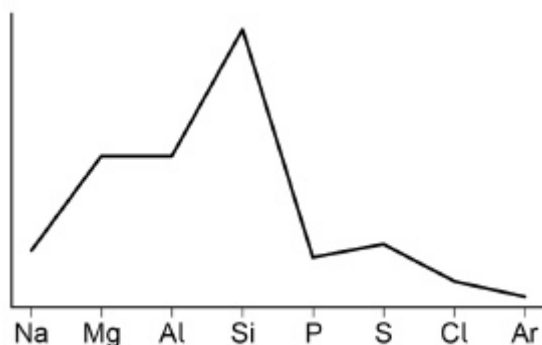
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(Total 7 marks)



**Q12.**

The diagram shows how a property of Period 3 elements varies across the period.



What is the property?

- A Atomic radius
- B Electronegativity
- C First ionisation energy
- D Melting point

(Total 1 mark)

**Q13.**

Which element has the highest first ionisation energy?

- A Aluminium
- B Phosphorus
- C Silicon
- D Sulfur

(Total 1 mark)

**Q14.**

Which of these Period 3 elements has the highest melting point?

- A Aluminium
- B Phosphorus
- C Sodium
- D Sulfur

(Total 1 mark)



**Q15.**

This question is about atomic structure.

- (a) Write the full electron configuration for each of the following species.

Cl<sup>-</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Fe<sup>2+</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

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- (b) Write an equation, including state symbols, to represent the process that occurs when the third ionisation energy of manganese is measured.

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**(1)**

- (c) State which of the elements magnesium and aluminium has the lower first ionisation energy.

Explain your answer.

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- (d) A sample of nickel was analysed in a time of flight (TOF) mass spectrometer. The sample was ionised by electron impact ionisation. The spectrum produced showed three peaks with abundances as set out in the table.

<b>m/z</b>	<b>Abundance / %</b>
58	61.0
60	29.1
61	9.9

Give the symbol, including mass number, of the ion that would reach the detector first in the sample.

Calculate the relative atomic mass of the nickel in the sample.

Give your answer to one decimal place.

Symbol of ion \_\_\_\_\_

Relative atomic mass \_\_\_\_\_

(3)

(Total 9 marks)

**Q16.**

Which is the correct order of melting points of these Period 3 elements?

- A phosphorus > sulfur > chlorine > argon
- B argon > chlorine > phosphorus > sulfur
- C sulfur > phosphorus > chlorine > argon
- D chlorine > phosphorus > sulfur > argon

(Total 1 mark)



**Q17.**

Which of the following is a correct statement about the trend in atomic radius across Period 3 of the Periodic Table?

- A** radius increases because the atoms have more electrons
- B** radius decreases because nuclear charge increases
- C** radius increases because shielding (screening) increases
- D** radius decreases because shielding (screening) decreases

**(Total 1 mark)**

**Q18.**

Which elements are shown in increasing order of the stated property?

- A** Atomic radius: phosphorus, sulfur, chlorine.
- B** First ionisation energy: sodium, magnesium, aluminium.
- C** Electronegativity: sulfur, phosphorus, silicon.
- D** Melting point: argon, chlorine, sulfur.

**(Total 1 mark)**



**Mark scheme**

**Q1.**

B

*Sodium has the lowest melting point.*

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**Q2.**

B

*Silicon*

[1]

**Q3.**

D

$O^{2-}$

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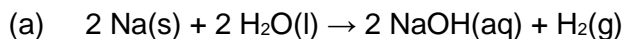
**Q4.**

D

*Selenium*

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**Q5.**



*Allow ionic equations*

*Allow multiples*

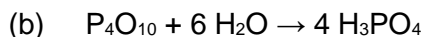
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Temperature will go up more **or** reactants can shoot out of the tube

*Allow the mixture could explode or glass could shatter or hydrogen could ignite/is flammable*

*Ignore reaction is exothermic/vigorous*

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*Allow ionic equations*

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Allow -1 to + 1

*Do not allow equations from  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$*

1

(c) M1  $\text{SiO}_2$  is macromolecular / giant covalent / giant molecule

*Do not allow giant, giant atomic or giant ionic*

1

M2 Strong covalent bonds (between atoms) or covalent bonds need a lot of



energy to be broken/overcome	1
M3 P <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> is <u>molecular</u> or <u>simple covalent molecule</u>	1
M4 Weak van der Waals forces <u>between molecules</u> or van der Waals forces <u>between molecules</u> break easily	1
(d) Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> + 3 H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> → Al <sub>2</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> + 3 H <sub>2</sub> O or Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> + 6 H <sup>+</sup> → 2 Al <sup>3+</sup> + 3 H <sub>2</sub> O	1
(e) Mg(OH) <sub>2</sub>	1
(f) Na / sodium	1
	<b>[12]</b>

**Q6.**

(a) Aluminium / Al	
<i>Allow <b>M2/M3</b> if a Group 3 element is given</i>	1
(Outer) electron in (3) <u>p</u> orbital / sub-shell (level)	
<i>Not energy level</i>	1
(3p) higher in energy / slightly more shielded (than 3s) / slightly further away (than 3s)	1
or	<b>OR</b>
Sulfur / S	
<i>Allow <b>M2/M3</b> if a Group 6 element is given</i>	1
(Outer) electrons in (3)p orbital begin to <u>pair</u>	
<i>Do not allow just p<sup>4</sup> vs p<sup>3</sup></i>	1
Repel	1
(b) Na <sup>2+</sup> (g) → Na <sup>3+</sup> (g) + e <sup>-</sup>	
<i>State symbols essential.</i>	
<i>Allow</i>	
<i>Na<sup>2+</sup>(g) + e<sup>-</sup> → Na<sup>3+</sup>(g) + 2 e<sup>-</sup></i>	1



(c) **M1** Phosphorus / P

*Mark independently*

**M2** large jump in ionisation energy for the 6<sup>th</sup> ionisation energy

*Large jump after the 5 e<sup>-</sup> is removed / when the 6<sup>th</sup> e<sup>-</sup> is removed*

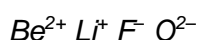
**M3** This is when the electron is being removed from the 2<sup>nd</sup> (principle) energy level / from a lower energy level / from a lower shell / from 2p / from an energy level that is closer to the nucleus

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**Q7.**

C



[1]

**Q8.**

C

*Silicon*

[1]

**Q9.**

(a) Cross at 1580

*Allow a cross drawn for Si that is between the values for Mg and Al*

1

(b) **M1** Na

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**M2**  $Na^+(g) \rightarrow Na^{2+}(g) + e^-$

*M2 Allow  $Q^+(g) \rightarrow Q^{2+}(g) + e^-$*

*State symbols essential*

*Allow correct equation consequential on their element*

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(c) The number of protons increases OR nuclear charge increases

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Shielding is similar/same OR electrons are added to the same shell

*Allow same number of shells*

1

(d) Chlorine/Cl

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(e)  $4P + 5O_2 \rightarrow P_4O_{10}$  OR  $P_4 + 5O_2 \rightarrow P_4O_{10}$

*Allow multiples*

*Ignore state symbols*



Do not allow equations with  $P_2O_5$

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**Q10.**

- (a) Fluoride ion has (two) fewer protons/lower nuclear charge

*Do not allow fluorine, but allow fluorine ion.*

*Any reference to different numbers of electrons in the ions loses M1*

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Weaker attraction between nucleus and (outer) electrons

*Allow answers in terms of sodium ion but must be explicit.*

*Ignore references to atomic radius*

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- (b) (Electrostatic) forces of attraction between oppositely charged ions/ $Na^+$  and  $F^-$

*Mention of IMF, covalent, macromolecular, metallic, electronegativity of ions loses both marks*

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Lots of energy needed to overcome/break forces

*Allow strong ionic bonding*

*Allow strong forces/bonds of attraction (need to be broken)*

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- (c) Type of Bond: Coordinate bond / dative (covalent) bond

*If just covalent, then do not award M1 but mark on*

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Explanation: A (lone) pair of electrons is donated from F

*Allow both electrons (in the shared pair) come from F*

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- (d)

Shape		
Name of shape	Octahedral	Bent / V-shaped / angular

*Lone pairs on  $H_2F^+$  are essential (can be shown in lobes)*

*Ignore missing charges*

*Mark independently*

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(e)  $\Delta H = \Sigma\Delta H(\text{Bonds broken}) - \Sigma\Delta H(\text{Bonds Formed})$

*Allow M1 if 2785 and 1996 seen (or allow M1 if 1961  
and 1172 seen)*

$$-179 = 2(412) + 837 + 2(562) - [348 + 4(412) + 2(\text{C—F})]$$

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$$-179 = 2785 - (1996 + 2(\text{C—F}))$$

$$2(\text{C—F}) = 968$$

*M3 consequential on any M2 if it is clear that M2 is for  
2(C-F)*

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$$\text{C—F} = 484$$

*-484 scores 2*

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**Q11.**

- (a) Repeating pattern/trends (of physical or chemical properties/reactions)

*Allow named property*

*Penalise groups*

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- (b) Bromine/Br

*Not Br<sub>2</sub>*

*Accept Kr or Krypton*

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- (c) Potassium /K

*If Na or Rb lose **M1** but allow access to **M2** and **M3***

*If other incorrect elements 0/3*

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Smallest number of protons/smallest nuclear charge

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Similar shielding / same number of shells (as other elements in period 4)

*Allow same shielding*

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- (d) Amphoteric

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- (e)  $\text{As}_2\text{O}_3 + 6 \text{Zn} + 12 \text{HNO}_3 \rightarrow 2 \text{AsH}_3 + 6 \text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O}$

*Accept multiples*

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**Q12.**

**D**



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<b>Q13.</b>		
<b>B</b>		
		[1]
<b>Q14.</b>		
<b>A</b>		
		[1]
<b>Q15.</b>		
(a)	$\text{Cl}^- 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6$	1
	$\text{Fe}^{2+} 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^6$	1
	<i>If [Ne] or [Ar] used then Max 1 if both correct</i>	
	<i>Ignore 4s<sup>0</sup></i>	
	<i>Allow subscripts</i>	
(b)	$\text{Mn}^{2+} (\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+} (\text{g}) + \text{e}^-$	1
	<i>States symbols are required</i>	
	<i>Allow <math>\text{Mn}^{2+} (\text{g}) - \text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+} (\text{g})</math></i>	
	<i>Negative charge needed on electron</i>	
(c)	Al	
	<i>Mg then CE = 0</i>	1
	(Outer) electron in (3)p sublevel / orbital	
	<i>Not just level or shell</i>	1
	Higher in energy / further from the nucleus so easier to remove OWTTE	
	<i>Both required for M3</i>	1
	<i>Ignore shielding</i>	
(d)	$^{58}\text{Ni}^+$	
	<i>M1 needs mass and charge – allow subscripts</i>	1
	$A_r = [(58 \times 61.0) + (60 \times 29.1) + (61 \times 9.9)] / 100$	1
	$A_r = 58.\underline{9}$ must be to 1dp	1
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<b>Q16.</b>		
<b>C</b>		
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**Q17.**  
B

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**Q18.**  
D