

Ajman University of Science and Technology  
General Chemistry for Engineering – Spring 2013-2014 - Dr. Zehra Edis

**Assignment 3 - 25.03.2014-Solutions**

1) The number of valence electrons in a main group element is given by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) the element's atomic number
- B) the element's atomic weight
- C) the element's group number
- D) none of the above

Answer: C

Diff: 1

Section: 2.8

2) Valence electrons in the main group elements are contained in which type(s) of orbitals?

- A) *s*
- B) *p*
- C) *s* and *p*
- D) *d*

Answer: C

Diff: 1

Section: 2.8

3) How many electrons are there in the valence shell of a nitrogen atom?

- A) 0
- B) 2
- C) 3
- D) 5
- E) 7

Answer: D

Diff: 2

Section: 2.8

4) An s-block element in the 5th Period is

- A) Y.
- B) As.
- C) Sr.
- D) Mo.
- E) Ag.

Answer: C

Diff: 2

Section: 2.8

5) The element which has four valence electrons is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) H
- B) Na
- C) Mg

D) Si

E) S

Answer: D

Diff: 2

Section: 2.8

6) An element with 2 valence electrons is \_\_\_\_\_.

A) Se

B) Si

C) Ca

D) Rb

Answer: C

Diff: 2

Section: 2.8

7) In terms of atomic structure, the common characteristic of elements in the same group is

A) number of electrons.

B) number of electrons in the outermost shell.

C) number of neutrons.

D) number of protons.

E) none of the above

Answer: B

Diff: 3

Section: 2.8

8) Explain how the term "valence electrons" is related to electron configurations. Use the elements in group VI, Periods, 3, 4, and 5, as examples.

Answer: The electron configuration allows us to determine the number of valence electrons by identifying the orbitals in the outermost shell so their electrons can be counted. The orbitals in the outermost shell are all those with the largest coefficient. For example, the electron configuration of S is  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4$ . The outermost orbitals, which have a coefficient of 3, contain six electrons. Therefore sulfur has six valence electrons. For Se, the electron configuration is  $[Ar] 4s^2 3d^{10} 4p^4$ , and the orbitals with the largest coefficient (4) contain six electrons. Selenium has six valence electrons. Likewise, for Te, the electron configuration is  $[Kr] 5s^2 4d^{10} 5p^4$ , and the orbitals with the largest coefficient (5) contain a total of six electrons, the valence electrons.

Diff: 3

Section: 2.8

9) Main group elements that are metals usually \_\_\_\_\_ one or more electrons to form \_\_\_\_\_, which have a \_\_\_\_\_ charge.

A) lose; anions; negative

B) lose; cations; negative

C) lose; cations; positive

D) gain; cations; positive

E) gain; anions; negative

Answer: C  
Diff: 2  
Section: 3.1

10) An element belonging to the halogen family would be expected to have a \_\_\_\_\_ ionization energy and a \_\_\_\_\_ electron affinity.

- A) large; large
- B) large; small
- C) small; small
- D) small; large
- E) none of the above

Answer: A  
Diff: 3  
Section: 3.2

11) The statement that best describes the formation of an ionic compound is:

- A) Electrons are transferred from a metal to a non-metal, and the resulting charged particles form a crystalline network.
- B) Electrons are transferred from a non-metal to a metal, and the resulting charged particles form a crystalline network.
- C) Electrons are shared between two atoms and discrete molecules are formed.
- D) Electrons move freely among a network of nuclei in fixed positions.
- E) Each atom achieves an octet using electrons provided from an external electrical supply.

Answer: A  
Diff: 2  
Section: 3.3

12) Which one of the compounds below is most likely to be *ionic*?

- A) SrBr<sub>2</sub>
- B) NO<sub>2</sub>
- C) CBr<sub>4</sub>
- D) H<sub>2</sub>O

Answer: A  
Diff: 2  
Section: 3.3

13) The property that describes the ease with which an atom gives up an electron to form a positive ion is

- A) atomic number.
- B) electron affinity.
- C) electronegativity.
- D) ionization energy.
- E) none of the above

Answer: D  
Diff: 1

Section: 3.2

14) What fourth period element is represented by the dot structure shown?



- A) K
- B) Ca
- C) Mn
- D) Br
- E) Co

Answer: D

Diff: 2

15) A chemical bond formed between two identical atoms is a(an) \_\_\_\_\_ bond.

- A) atomic
- B) pure covalent
- C) polar covalent
- D) ionic
- E) molecular

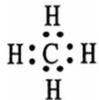
Answer: B

Diff: 1

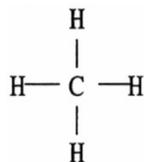
16) Which representation of a methane molecule is **not** correct? (A methane molecule is composed of one carbon atom and four hydrogen atoms.)

A) CH<sub>4</sub>

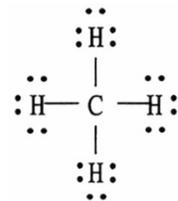
B)



C)



D)



E) none of the above

Answer: D

Diff: 1

17) For the dot structure shown the most likely elements are X = \_\_\_\_\_ and Y = \_\_\_\_\_.



21) What is the formula for an ionic compound made of magnesium and sulfur?

- A) MgS
- B) MgS<sub>2</sub>
- C) Mg<sub>2</sub>S
- D) Mg<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>
- E) none of the above

Answer: A

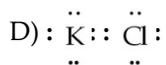
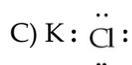
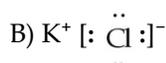
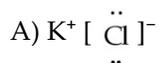
22) Which of the following statements about Lewis structures is FALSE?

- A) An octet is when an atom has 8 valence electrons.
- B) A duet is a stable electron configuration for helium.
- C) An ionic bond occurs when electrons are transferred.
- D) A covalent bond occurs when electrons are shared.
- E) All of the above statements are true.

Answer: E

Diff: 2 Page Ref: 10.2

23) Which Lewis structure below correctly represents KCl?

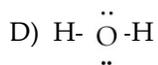
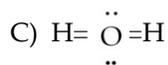
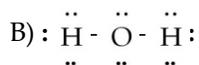
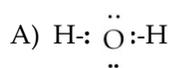


E) none of the above

Answer: B

Diff: 2 Page Ref: 10.3

24) What is the correct Lewis structure for water?



E) none of the above

Answer: D

Diff: 2 Page Ref: 10.4

25) The Lewis structure for carbon monoxide is  $:C \equiv O:$ . This structure shows

- A) 4 lone pairs and 1 bonding pair.
- B) 4 lone pairs and 3 bonding pairs.
- C) 2 lone pairs and 3 bonding pairs.
- D) 2 lone pairs and 1 bonding pair.
- E) none of the above

Answer: C

Diff: 1 Page Ref: 10.4

26) What is the correct Lewis structure for  $CN^-$ ?

A)  $[C-N]^-$

B)  $[: \overset{\cdot\cdot}{C} - \overset{\cdot\cdot}{N} :]^-$

C)  $[\overset{\cdot\cdot}{C} = \overset{\cdot\cdot}{N} :]^-$

D)  $[: C \equiv N :]^-$

E) none of the above

Answer: D

Diff: 2 Page Ref: 10.5