

PROJECT 1: TEACHER NOTES

WHO MADE THE PERIODIC TABLE?

NATIONAL CURRICULUM LINKS

The topic covered will depend on the practical examples students focus on.

THE PERIODIC TABLE

- the varying physical and chemical properties of different elements
- the principles underpinning the Mendeleev periodic table
- the periodic table: periods and groups; metals and non-metals
- how patterns in reactions can be predicted with reference to the periodic table.

WORKING SCIENTIFICALLY

Scientific attitudes

Analysis and evaluation

CROSS-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

history – using sources.

TIME

Three homework sessions of between 30 and 60 minutes each.

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE

Students will find the names of several influential scientists given on the task sheet, which will help them guide their research into who developed the periodic table.

It has been suggested that they draw a timeline to help them discuss the developments of the periodic table. Higher ability students may like to consider if any other scientists had a role in the development of the periodic table, or if there may have been scientists who haven't made it into the history books, perhaps due to bad timing with their results etc!

ASSESSMENT, FEEDBACK AND IMPROVEMENT

Assessing these tasks should not be arduous. Rather than assigning an absolute grade, you should focus on how each student can improve. To ensure that this task is formative, students should be given the opportunity to improve their work based on the teacher's targets or through peer and self-assessment.

GUIDANCE FOR CONFIDENT (C)

Students working with confidence will make a coherent and detailed timeline.

We find that reading through the project using these additional prompts helps to assess the task.

CHEMISTRY HOMEWORK TASKS: TEACHER NOTES



PROJECT 1: TASK SHEET (ESTABLISHING)

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So who came up with the periodic table? And how did they decide on its layout? And what exactly can we use it for?

Research the following scientists to help you complete your project:

Johann Döbereiner Stanislao Cannizzaro

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Include other scientists you feel have played an important role, and produce a timeline of the periodic table's development.

SECTION 1: RESEARCH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERIODIC TABLE

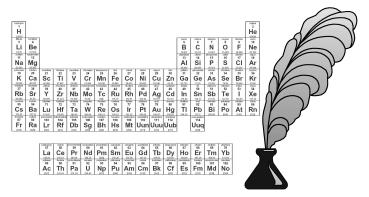
- Use the internet or books to find out about the scientists listed above.
- Describe the main findings each scientist made.
- Draw a timeline to show the developments that took place.

SECTION 2: WHY DOES THE PERIODIC TABLE LOOK THE WAY IT DOES?

- Find out why the periodic table has been set out the way it has, e.g. in groups (columns) and periods (rows).
- What information can the periodic table give us?
- Has the periodic table always looked this way?

SECTION 3: THE FUTURE OF THE PERIODIC TABLE

- Do you think the periodic table will always look the same way?
- What changes may come about which would change the periodic table as we know it?



Use websites, magazines and books to get information to answer each section above. Use the ACE Learning Ladder to help you do your best.

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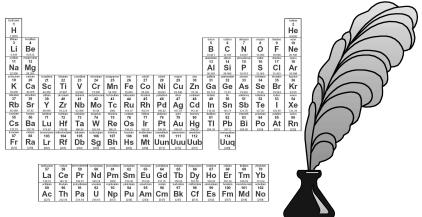
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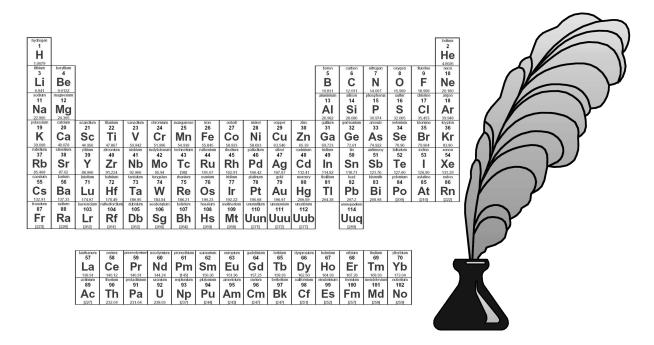
Include other scientists you feel have played an important role, and produce a detailed timeline of the periodic table's development, discussing why scientists wanted to order the elements.

Include the following sections:

Section 1: The development of the periodic table.

Section 2: Why does the periodic table look the way it does and what can it tell us?

Section 3: The future of the periodic table - will it always look this way?



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PROJECT 1: ACE LEARNING LADDER

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ACE LEARNING LADDER

Assessment Check	The types of things you can do:
A dvanced	 Make a detailed timeline, drawing on detailed scientific knowledge and understanding. Explain why scientists were trying to find an order for the elements and how other findings may have influenced the scientists' work. Explain, in detail, the contribution each scientist made. Explain why the periodic table is ordered the way it is and what it can tell us, including discussions on reactivity. Suggest some changes that could happen to the periodic table, using evidence to justify your suggestions. Use a range of appropriate scientific words, symbols and units accurately.
Confident	 Make a timeline, drawing on scientific knowledge and understanding. Explain why scientists were trying to find an order for the elements. Explain the contribution each scientist made. Explain why the periodic table is ordered the way it is and what it can tell us. Suggest some changes that could happen to the periodic table. Use a range of appropriate scientific words, symbols and units.
Establishing	 Make a simple timeline, drawing on some scientific knowledge and understanding. State what each scientist found out. Give a simple reason why scientists were trying to place elements in an order. State one or two pieces of information the periodic table contains about elements. State whether the periodic table is likely to stay the same forever, giving a reason. Use some appropriate scientific words, symbols and units.