The Periodic Table

Which group on the periodic table is most likely described by the following?

1)	The elements in this group have a charge of +2 when forming ionic compounds		
2)	The elements in this group are almost completely nonreactive.		
3)	The elements in this group are all diatomic.		
4)	The elements in this group are called alkali metals.		
5)	These elements are found in group VII of the periodic table.		
What is the oxidation state (charge) of each element when it forms ionic compounds:			
6)	chlorine	8)	potassium
7)	barium	9)	phosphorus
Determine the number of valence electrons each of the following elements has:			
10)	hydrogen	13)	calcium
11)	bromine	14)	carbon
12)	magnesium	15)	fluorine

Solutions

Which group on the periodic table is most likely described by the following?

1) The elements in this group have a charge of +2 when forming ionic compounds.

group II

2) The elements in this group are almost completely nonreactive.

noble gases (group VIII)

3) The elements in this group are all diatomic.

halogens (group VII)

4) The elements in this group are called alkali metals.

group I

5) These elements are found in group II of the periodic table.

Alkaline earth metals

What is the oxidation state (charge) of each element when it forms ionic compounds:

6) chlorine **1-**

8) potassium **1+**

7) barium **2+**

9) phosphorus **3-**

Determine the number of valence electrons each of the following elements has:

10) hydrogen **1**

13) calcium **2**

11) bromine **7**

14) carbon **4**

12) magnesium **2**

15) fluorine **7**