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# It's Element--ary!!! 

Have fun with the elements: Use your Periodic Table and the elements' symbols to find the correct answers to these clues:

## Clues

1. a man's nickname
2. a negative reply
3. a medical doctor
4. me
5. opposite of "out"
6. opposite of "she"
7. an "average" grade
8. a "failing" grade
9. smelly tennis shoes
10. an English sports car
11. University of Southern California
12. abbreviation for "company"
13. a young man's (or woman's) club/association
14. abbreviation of "pint"
15. a lung disease
16. abbreviation for afternoon
17. abbreviation for morning
18. abbreviation for Pennsylvania
19. abbreviation for Maryland
20. sound of laughter
21. not me!

Symbols
Elements

## HOW ELEMENTS ARE NAMED

Study the Periodic Chart of the elements
Do any of the names of the elements sound familiar? They should. Some elements have ancient names of Latin and Greek origins; but many others were named for famous men, countries, planets, etc. With a copy of the Periodic Chart before you, see how many of the following questions you can answer:

1. There are five elements named for famous scientists. Can you find three?
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2. There are four elements named for planets. Can you find all four of them?
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3. There is one element named for a city in the United States and another for the state of that city. Can you find the element named for the city and the element named for the state? $\qquad$ and $\qquad$
4. There are two elements named for large regions which include several countries. Do you know what these elements are called? $\qquad$ and $\qquad$
5. Element numbers $68,70,39$, and 65 were all named for the same city, Ytterby, Sweden. What are the names of these elements?
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6. The ancient name for France was Gaul, and the ancient name for Russia was Ruthenia. Can you find the elements named for these ancient lands? and $\qquad$ .
7. Find the elements named in honor of France, America, Poland and Germany.
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## Periodic Table Puns 2

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Use your imagination and the elements in the Periodic Table to solve each pun!

1. Not an exciting person
2. Thanksgiving guests
3. Get clean with this
4. Drive away in style in a $\qquad$
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5. Does a body good
6. Proud to be an $\qquad$
7. Mickey's pal
8. Warrior Princess
9. A nice guy
10. Someone who loves computers
11. The first person in a race has the $\qquad$
12. $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{mc}^{2}$
13. This man followed the yellow brick road
14. How to tell a secret
15. Monday night TV show
16. Aphrase from Dr. Suess
17. What a doctor does to his patients
18. Part of a whole
19. Place for washing dishes
20. Drink in an Al can
21. Happens when you lasso a horse
22. What a dog does with a bone $\qquad$
23. A sinking ship $\qquad$
24. What a cloud does

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Over 2000 minerals have been identified by geologists. They classify minerals into groups based on how they are similar. Table Two lists some of these groups. The Elements group includes over 100 known minerals. Many of the minerals in this group are composed of only one element. Geologists sometimes subdivide this group into metal and nonmetal categories. Gold, silver, and copper are examples of metals. The elements sulfur and carbon are nonmetallic minerals. Most minerals are combinations of two or more elements. Table Two describes the chemical composition of some common minerals. The chemical composition lists the elements that make up the minerals. For example, the chemical composition for the mineral quartz is $\mathrm{SiO}_{2}$. That means each quartz molecule is composed of one atom of silicon and two atoms of oxygen. Each molecule of quartz has three atoms in it.

Select eight minerals from Table Two. Select at least one from each group. Use a periodic table to identify the elements found in one molecule of that mineral. You will also need to identify the number of atoms found each of the elements in that mineral. Record this information on your student sheet. An example has been done for you.


| Group Mineral |  | Chemical Composition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Elements | Gold <br> Silver <br> Copper <br> Carbon <br> Sulfur | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Au} \\ \mathrm{Ag} \\ \mathrm{Cu} \\ \mathrm{C} \\ \mathrm{~S} \end{gathered}$ |
| Sulfides | Galena Pyrite | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{PbS} \\ & \mathrm{FeS}_{2} \end{aligned}$ |
| Halides | Fluorite Halite | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CaF}_{2} \\ & \mathrm{NaCl} \end{aligned}$ |
| Oxides | Corundum Hematite | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \\ & \mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \end{aligned}$ |
| Carbonites | Calcite <br> Dolomite | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{CaCO}_{3} \\ \mathrm{CaMg}\left(\mathrm{CO}_{3}\right)_{2} \end{gathered}$ |
| Sulfates | Gypsum | $\mathrm{CaSO}_{4}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$ |
| Silicates | Beryl Biotite <br> Hornblende <br> Muscovite <br> Olivine <br> Quartz | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Be}_{3} \mathrm{Al}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{3}\right)_{6} \\ \mathrm{~K}(\mathrm{Mg}, \mathrm{Fe})_{3}\left(\mathrm{Si}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{10}\right)(\mathrm{OH})_{2} \\ \mathrm{Ca}_{2}(\mathrm{Mg}, \mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{Al})_{5}(\mathrm{AlSi})_{8} \mathrm{O}_{22}(\mathrm{OH})_{2} \\ \mathrm{KAl}_{3} \mathrm{Si}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{10}(\mathrm{OH})_{2} \\ \left(\mathrm{Mg}, \mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{SiO}_{4}\right. \\ \mathrm{SiO}_{2} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |



## Periodic Table Puns

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Use your imagination and the elements in the Periodic Table to solve each pun! Example: Five cents - Nickel, Ni

1. What you do in a play
2. What you do to a wrinkled shirt
3. "Tasty" part of your mouth
4. Someone who likes to start fires
5. Superman's weakness
6. Your brother or mine
7. Extinct
8. Imitation diamond
9. A type of flower
10. Las Vegas lights
11. Police
12. Golden State
13. Name of a goofy convict
14. Mr. Mony's enemy
15. What you do to flowers
16. What you did to ripped jeans
17. A "prize" element
18. A very smart person
19. Person from the big blue planet
20. A fur seller
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Do you have any "punnies" of your own?
Write them on the back of this page. Be sure to include the answers!

## Memorization Tips: Elements/Symbols

| Silver - Ag | If a person who is expecting a present of a gold necklace receives a silver one. he might say, "Ag, I didn't want silver!" |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gold - Au | "Hey you, I want that gold necklace!" Said with "Hey you" sounding like Au. |
| Aluminum - Al | All cans are made from aluminum. |
| Bromine - Br | That brother of mine-Bro of mine! |
| Calcium - Ca | "Caws give milk!" Pronounced with an accent to make cows sound like it's spelled with an A. |
| Chlorine - Cl | "You Clean with chlorine!" |
| Fluorine-F | You need to Floss after using fluorine! |
| Iron - Fe | "Fe, Fi, Fo, Fum, I'm an iron man!" |
| Helium - He | If you breathe in helium, you will laugh! He, $\mathrm{He}, \mathrm{He}$ ! |
| Mercury - Hg | Greek mythology - Hg stands for Helmet guy |
| Potassium - K | You will get Kicked out of school for the double nasty! You can't do the first three letters and cannot say the next three! |
| Sodium - Na | "Naw, I don't want any sodium!" |
| Nickel - Ni | "Nick owes me a nickel!" |
| Oxygen - 0 | "Open your mouth wide to take in oxygen!" |
| Lead - Pb | Pencil broke! |
| Silicon-Si | Silly con! |
| Tin - Sn | A tin roof gets hot in the Sun. |
| Manganese- Mn | Take first three letters - Man |
| Magnesium- Mg | Take first three letters - Mag |

