# FIRST TERM MODEL QUESTION PAPER 2024 WITH ANSWER KEY SET 1 CHEMISTRY - Standard IX Time: 1.5 hours Max. Marks: 40 (Prepared by www.educationobserver.com)

- 1. 15 minutes is given as cool-off time.
- 2. This time is to be used for reading the question paper.
- 3. You are not supposed to write anything during the cool-off time.
- 4. Attempt the questions according to the instructions.

# Section A: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) [1 mark each]

- 1. Who discovered the electron?
  - a) J.J. Thomson
  - b) Ernest Rutherford
  - c) Niels Bohr
  - d) James Chadwick
- 2. What is the mass number of an atom with 6 protons, 6 electrons, and 7 neutrons?
  - a) 12
  - b) 13
  - c) 14
  - d) 19
- 3. The modern periodic table is arranged in the order of:
  - a) Atomic mass
  - b) Atomic number
  - c) Number of neutrons
  - d) Chemical reactivity
- 4. In the Rutherford gold foil experiment, what was concluded when some alpha particles bounced back?
  - a) Atoms are mostly empty space
    - b) Electrons are embedded in the nucleus
    - c) Atoms have a dense, positively charged nucleus
    - d) Electrons revolve in fixed orbits
- 5. Which of the following is a noble gas?
  - a) Fluorine
  - b) Neon
  - c) Oxygen
  - d) Chlorine

## Section B: Short Answer Questions (Answer any 4 out of 5) [2 marks each]

- 1. Explain the concept of isotopes with an example.
- 2. What is the significance of the atomic number in an element?
- 3. Write the electron configuration of chlorine (Atomic number: 17).
- 4. Describe the key features of the Bohr atomic model.
- 5. How does the periodic table help predict the properties of elements?

## Section C: Descriptive Questions (Answer any 4 out of 5) [3 marks each]

- 1. Compare the plum pudding model and Rutherford's atomic model
- 2. Explain why elements in the same group of the periodic table have similar chemical properties.
- 3. Describe the experiment and conclusions drawn by J.J. Thomson regarding cathode rays.
- 4. How does the size of atoms change across a period and down a group in the periodic table?
- 5. Write a short note on the discovery and properties of protons.

# Section D: Application Level and Experiment Description Questions (Answer any 4 out of 5)

- 1. A radioactive isotope is used to treat cancer. Name the isotope and describe how its properties make it suitable for this purpose.
- 2. Draw and label a diagram of the Rutherford gold foil experiment and explain the key observations and conclusions.
- 3. An element has 3 electrons in its M shell. Predict its group, period, and possible chemical reactivity.
- 4. Explain the concept of valency and determine the valency of an element with the atomic number 13.
- 5. An atom has 2 protons, 2 neutrons, and 2 electrons. Explain why this atom is stable.

# Answer Key

## Section A: MCQs

- 1. a) J.J. Thomson
- 2. c) 14

- 3. b) Atomic number
- 4. c) Atoms have a dense, positively charged nucleus
- 5. b) Neon

#### Section B: Short Answer Questions

- 1. Isotopes are atoms of the same element with the same atomic number but different mass numbers. Example: Carbon-12 and Carbon-14.
- 2. The atomic number represents the number of protons in an atom and determines the element's identity.
- 3. Electron configuration of chlorine: 2, 8, 7.
- 4. Bohr's model proposes that electrons revolve in fixed orbits around the nucleus and do not radiate energy while in those orbits.
- 5. The periodic table arranges elements in groups and periods, allowing predictions about their reactivity and other properties based on trends.

#### Section C: Descriptive Questions

- 1. The plum pudding model suggested that electrons were scattered within a positively charged "soup," whereas Rutherford's model proposed a dense nucleus surrounded by electrons in empty space.
- 2. Elements in the same group have the same number of valence electrons, leading to similar chemical properties.
- 3. Thomson's cathode ray experiment demonstrated that electrons are negatively charged particles, which are components of all atoms.
- 4. Atomic size decreases across a period due to increasing nuclear charge and increases down a group due to additional electron shells.
- 5. Protons are positively charged particles discovered by Rutherford, residing in the nucleus and contributing to the atomic number and mass.

## Section D: Application Level and Experiment Description Questions

- 1. Cobalt-60 is used to treat cancer due to its ability to emit high-energy gamma rays that can destroy cancer cells.
- 2. (Include a labeled diagram of the Rutherford experiment.) Key observations: most particles passed through, some deflected, and very few bounced back, leading to the conclusion of a dense nucleus.
- 3. The element belongs to Group 13 and Period 3 and is likely a metal with moderate reactivity.
- 4. Valency is determined by the number of electrons in the outer shell. For atomic number 13 (Aluminum), the valency is 3.

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5. The atom with 2 protons, 2 neutrons, and 2 electrons is helium (He-4), which is stable due to a full outer electron shell.

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