FIRST TERM MODEL QUESTION PAPER 2024 WITH ANSWER KEY SET 3 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. Which of the following particles is negatively charged?
 - a) Proton
 - b) Neutron
 - c) Electron
 - d) Positron
- 2. The smallest unit of a chemical element that retains the properties of that element is:
 - a) Atom
 - b) Molecule
 - c) Compound
 - d) lon
- 3. Which scientist discovered protons?
 - a) J.J. Thomson
 - b) Robert Millikan
 - c) Eugen Goldstein
 - d) James Chadwick
- 4. What is the maximum number of electrons that can be accommodated in the M shell?
 - a) 2
 - b) 8
 - c) 18
 - d) 32
- 5. Which of the following elements belongs to Group 17 in the periodic table? a) Argon
 - b) Bromine
 - c) Sodium
 - d) Calcium

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

- 1. Define isotopes. Give an example.
- 2. Differentiate between a cation and an anion with examples.
- 3. State the main postulates of Bohr's atomic model.
- 4. What is the significance of valence electrons?
- 5. Write the electron configuration of phosphorus (Atomic number: 15).

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

- 1. Compare the structure and properties of protons, neutrons, and electrons.
- 2. Describe Rutherford's gold foil experiment and its conclusions.
- 3. Explain the difference between Mendeleev's periodic table and the modern periodic table.
- 4. What are isobars? Provide an example and explain their significance.
- 5. Discuss the role of valency in predicting the chemical reactivity of elements.

Section D:

- 1. A certain element has the electron configuration 2, 8, 1. Predict its position in the periodic table and describe its properties.
- 2. Draw a labeled diagram to show the arrangement of subatomic particles in a carbon atom (Atomic number: 6).
- 3. An atom has an atomic number of 20 and a mass number of 40. Calculate the number of protons, neutrons, and electrons in the atom and explain its stability.
- 4. Explain the concept of atomic size and how it changes across a period and down a group in the periodic table.

5. Describe the process and observations of J.J. Thomson's cathode ray tube experiment and how it led to the discovery of electrons.

Answer Key

Section A: MCQs

- 1. c) Electron
- 2. a) Atom
- 3. c) Eugen Goldstein

- 4. c) 18
- 5. b) Bromine

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. A cation is a positively charged ion (e.g., Na⁺), while an anion is a negatively charged ion (e.g., Cl⁻).
- 3. Bohr's model states that electrons revolve around the nucleus in fixed orbits with specific energy levels and do not lose energy while in those orbits.
- 4. Valence electrons are the outermost electrons that determine the chemical bonding and reactivity of an element.
- 5. Electron configuration of phosphorus: 2, 8, 5.

Section C:

- 1. Protons are positively charged and found in the nucleus, neutrons have no charge and add mass to the nucleus, while electrons are negatively charged and orbit the nucleus.
- 2. In Rutherford's experiment, most alpha particles passed through the gold foil, some deflected, and very few bounced back, leading to the conclusion that atoms have a small, dense, positively charged nucleus.
- 3. Mendeleev's table was based on atomic mass, while the modern table is based on atomic number, which better organizes elements and resolves inconsistencies.
- 4. Isobars are atoms with the same mass number but different atomic numbers, such as Carbon-14 and Nitrogen-14. They are significant in understanding nuclear stability.
- 5. Valency determines an element's ability to bond. For example, elements with a valency of 1 (like sodium) are highly reactive as they easily lose or gain electrons.

Section D:

- 1. The element with electron configuration 2, 8, 1 is sodium. It belongs to Group 1, Period 3, and is highly reactive as it easily loses one valence electron.
- 2. (Include a labeled diagram showing 6 protons and 6 neutrons in the nucleus, with 2 electrons in the K shell and 4 electrons in the L shell.)
- 3. The atom has 20 protons, 20 neutrons, and 20 electrons. It is stable as it has a full outer shell (calcium).
- 4. Atomic size decreases across a period due to increasing nuclear charge and increases down a group due to added electron shells.

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5. J.J. Thomson's experiment showed that cathode rays were negatively charged particles (electrons) common to all atoms, leading to the understanding that atoms contain subatomic particles.

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