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SCIENCE

0893/01

Holiday Assignment

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45 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You should show all your working in the booklet.
- You may use a calculator.

INFORMATION

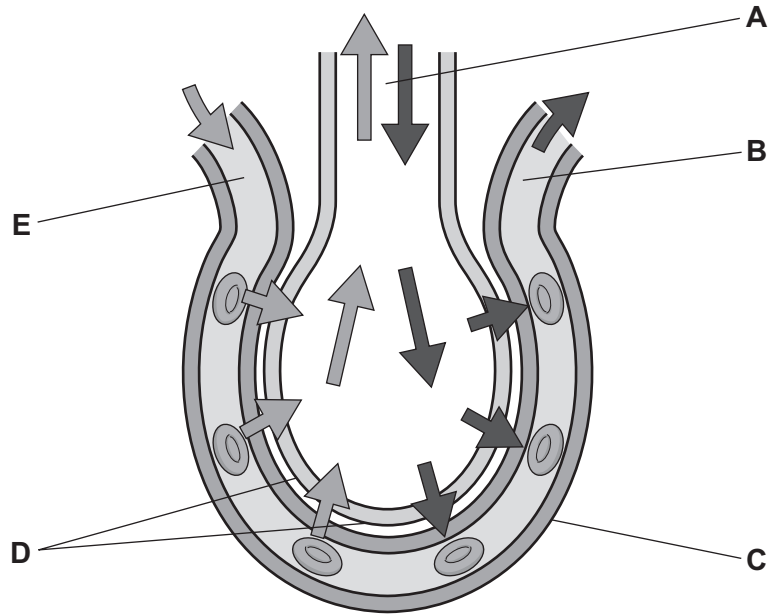
- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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1 Alveoli are air sacs found at the end of the bronchioles in the lungs.

(a) The diagram shows how gas is exchanged in alveoli.



Match the **description** to the correct **letter** shown in the diagram.

Write your answers in the table.

description	letter
place where the blood has the highest oxygen concentration	
blood capillary wall	
a surface where gas exchange happens	

[3]

(b) Alveoli are adapted to maximise gas exchange.

Describe **one adaptation** of the alveoli and explain how this helps to maximise gas exchange.

adaptation

.....

explanation

.....

[2]

(c) Red blood cells transport oxygen around the body.

Which mineral in the diet is needed to make red blood cells?

..... [1]

2 This question is about reactions of magnesium.

(a) Mia heats a piece of magnesium over a blue Bunsen flame.



(i) The magnesium reacts with a gas in the air.

Write down the name of this gas.

..... [1]

(ii) Describe one **safety risk** in this investigation and how to control the risk.

safety risk

how to control risk

..... [2]

(b) Magnesium reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid.

Circle **all** the products of this reaction.

- | | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------|
| carbon dioxide | chlorine | hydrogen |
| magnesium chloride | magnesium hydroxide | water |

[2]

3 Safia uses an electromagnet to pick up steel pins.

She changes the current in the wire and records her results in the table.

current in A	number of pins
0.25	1
0.50	2
0.75	3
1.00	1
1.25	5

(a) Circle the anomalous result in the table.

[1]

(b) The current in the wire changes the strength of the electromagnet.

Suggest **one other** factor that changes the strength of the electromagnet.

..... [1]

4 Space has many parts.

Draw a straight line from each **part** to its correct **description**.

part	description
galaxy	clouds of particles in space
solar system	object orbiting a planet
stellar dust	large group of stars
	small planets
	planets orbiting around a star

[3]

5 Some industries produce toxic substances.

These toxic substances sometimes enter food chains.

Look at the food chain.



(a) Suggest a habitat where this food chain is found.

..... [1]

(b) The table shows how the amount of toxic substance increases along the food chain.

organism	relative concentration of toxic substance
algae	1
mayfly	12
small fish	50
big fish	320
otter	5000

(i) Explain why the relative concentration of toxic substance is **much higher** in an otter than a big fish.

..... [1]

(ii) The amount of toxic substance increases along the food chain.

What is this process called?

..... [1]

(c) Write down **one impact** of increasing the concentration of toxic substances on an ecosystem.

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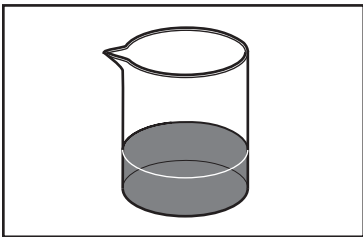
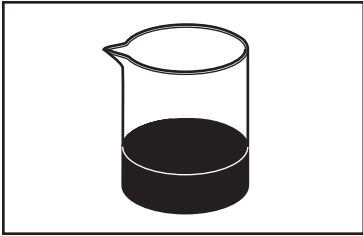
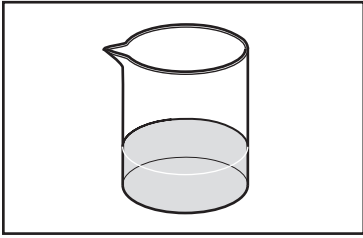
6 This question is about dissolving.

(a) When a blue food colour dissolves in water the solution turns blue.

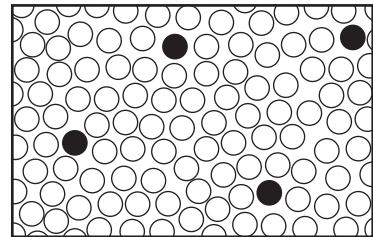
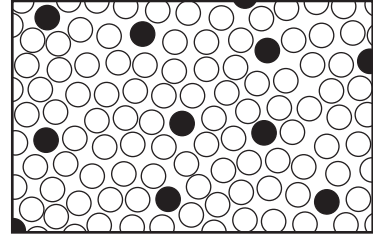
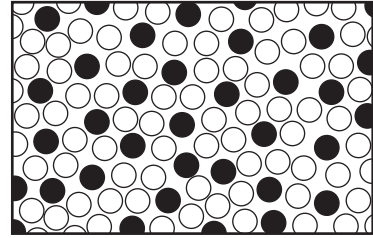
As the concentration of the blue food colour increases the solution becomes darker.

Draw a straight line from each **solution** to the correct **particle diagram** representing the solution.

solution



particle diagram



● = particle of blue food colour

○ = particle of water

[1]

(b) Circle the word in **bold** that makes each sentence correct.

Blue food colour dissolves in water.

The blue food colour is the **solute** / solvent / soluble.

Water is the **solute** / solvent / soluble.

[1]

[Turn over

7 Ahmed investigates primary and secondary colours.

(a) Which colour of light is produced when red light and green light are mixed?

Circle the correct answer.

- yellow blue cyan magenta white

[1]

(b) Ahmed wears a magenta and green striped shirt.

Complete the sentences to explain how Ahmed's shirt looks in **blue light**.

In blue light, the magenta stripes look the colour

This is because magenta

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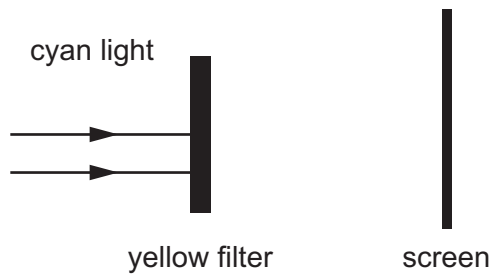
In blue light, the green stripes look the colour

This is because green

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(c) Ahmed passes cyan light through a yellow filter.



Explain which colour light is seen on the screen.

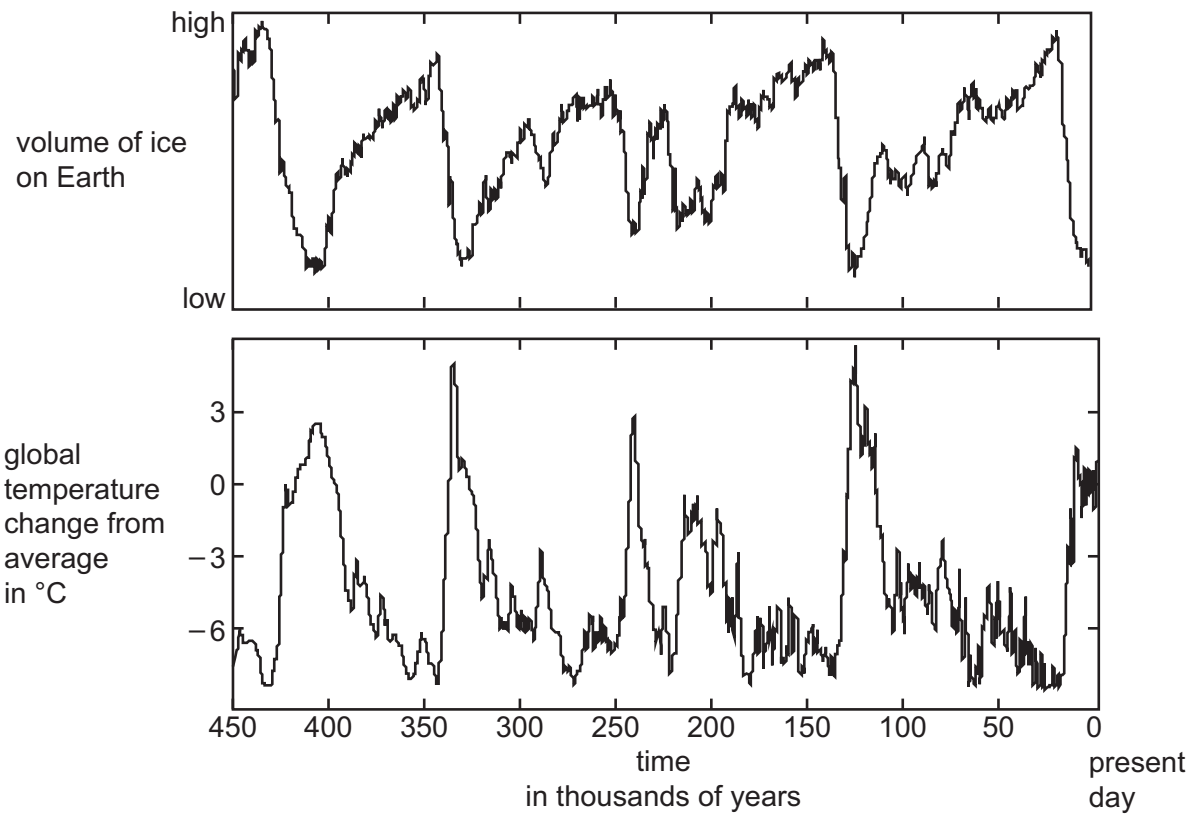
colour light

reason

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[1]

8 Look at the graphs about the volume of ice on Earth and global temperature change.



(a) Use information from the graphs to answer these questions.

(i) When was the **highest** global temperature?

..... thousand years ago [1]

(ii) Describe the relationship between the global temperature and the volume of ice on Earth.

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 [1]

(b) Climate and weather are two different things.

Which statements are about **climate**?

Tick (✓) **all** the correct boxes.

average rainfall for a particular region	<input type="checkbox"/>
changes in the atmosphere during a 24-hour period	<input type="checkbox"/>
highest temperature recorded in a week	<input type="checkbox"/>
long-term temperature pattern in a given area	<input type="checkbox"/>
predicting when the next thunderstorm will happen	<input type="checkbox"/>

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- 9 Gold metal is used to make jewellery.

The purity of gold mixed with other metals is measured using a system called the carat rating.

The table shows the percentage of gold and the percentage of other metals in different carat ratings.

carat rating	minimum percentage of gold in the metal	maximum percentage of other metals mixed with the gold
24	100.0	0.0
22	91.6	8.4
18	75.0	25.0
14	58.5	41.5
10	41.7	58.3

A piece of gold mixed with other metals has a mass of 200 g.

The mass of gold in this mixture is 86.5 g.

- (a) Calculate the percentage of gold in the mixture.

percentage of gold % [1]

- (b) What is the carat rating for this mixture of gold and other metals?

carat rating [1]

- 10 Complete the sentences about diffusion.

Diffusion occurs in gases and

When perfume is sprayed in a room, the perfume particles and air particles move and

.....

Diffusion occurs more quickly if a gas is hotter because the gas particles move

.....

[2]

[Turn over

11 Yuri investigates the water content of potatoes.

Yuri:

step 1 - cuts a piece of potato with a sharp knife into a cube of mass 10.0 g

step 2 - heats the cube of potato in a microwave for 1 minute

step 3 - uses a balance to find the mass of the cube of potato

step 4 - repeats steps 2 and 3 until the cube of potato has been heated for a total of 10 minutes.

(a) Here are his results.

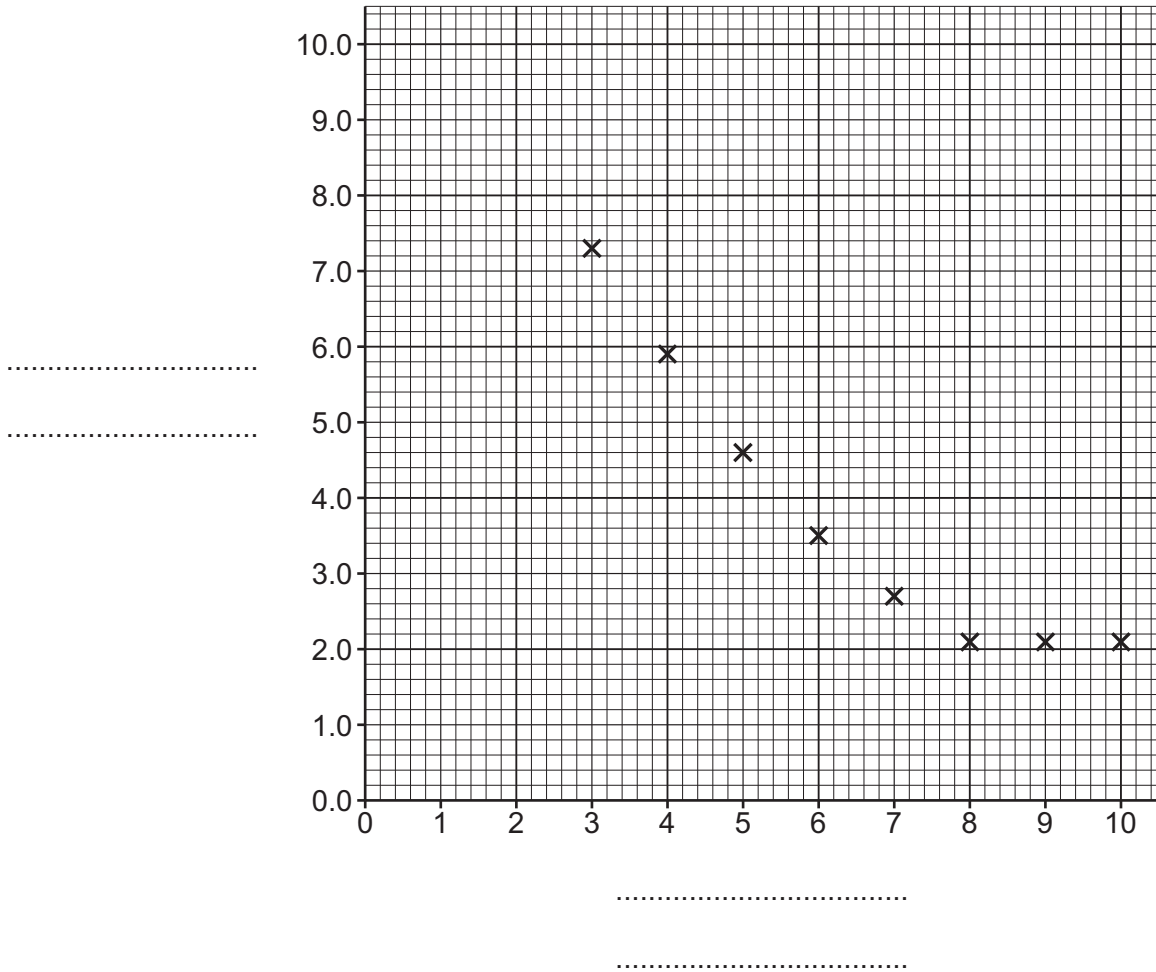
time in minutes	mass of cube of potato in g
0	10.0
1	9.4
2	8.5
3	7.3
4	5.9
5	4.6
6	3.5
7	2.7
8	2.1
9	2.1
10	2.1

Look at the graph of his results.

The last eight masses from the table have been plotted on the graph.

Complete the graph by:

- labelling the axes
- plotting the first three masses from the table on the graph
- drawing a curve of best fit.



[4]

(b) Yuri says,

**'I have read that vegetables are 90% water.
I predict 90% of this potato will be water.'**

Tick (✓) to show if the results support Yuri's prediction.

yes no

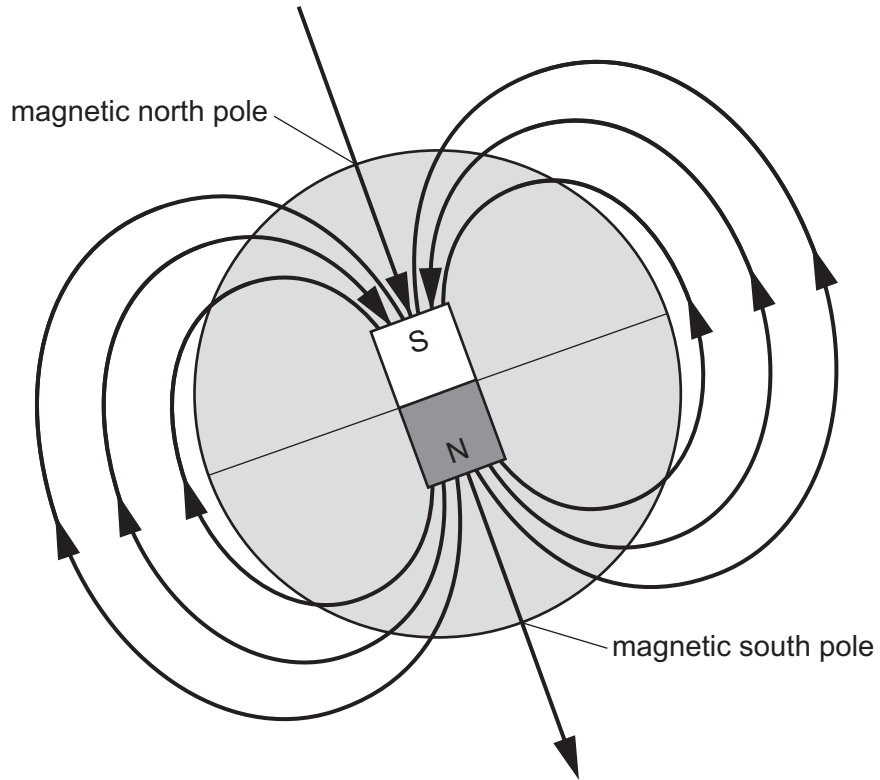
Explain your answer.

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[1]

12 The diagram shows an analogy to describe the Earth's magnetism.



(a) Which part of the Earth's structure is represented by the bar magnet?

..... [1]

(b) What do the arrows represent?

..... [1]

13 Mike investigates reactions.

In his first experiment Mike:

- pours some water into a beaker
- measures the temperature of the water
- adds 1g of a solid to the water
- stirs the mixture until the temperature stops changing.

Mike repeats the experiment with four other solids.

Look at his results.

solid	temperature at the start in °C	temperature at the end in °C
A	20	20
B	21	28
C	19	15
D	18	19
E	21	27

(a) (i) How many solids have an endothermic reaction with water?

..... [1]

(ii) Mike has **not** done a fair test.

Suggest **one** way Mike could improve his investigation to make it a fair test.

.....
..... [1]

(iii) Mike describes solid **A** as being inert.

What is meant by the term inert?

..... [1]

(b) One example of an exothermic reaction is adding calcium oxide to water.

The product is calcium hydroxide.

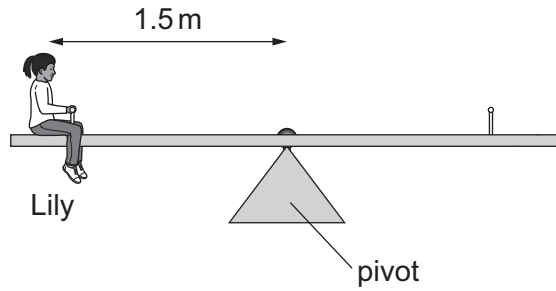
Write the word equation for this reaction.

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14 Lily and Blessy play on a seesaw.

(a) Lily sits at a distance of 1.5 m from the pivot.



Lily weighs 500 N.

Calculate the moment of Lily's weight about the pivot.

Include the unit in your answer.

moment of Lily's weight = unit [3]

(b) Blessy sits on the seesaw with Lily.

Blessy weighs 600 N.

The seesaw is balanced.

Calculate the distance Blessy sits from the pivot.

Use ideas about the principle of moments.

distance from pivot m [2]

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The Periodic Table of Elements

		Group							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
		1 H hydrogen 1						2 He helium 4	
3 Li lithium 7	4 Be beryllium 9	Key atomic number name atomic symbol relative atomic mass						9 F fluorine 19	10 Ne neon 20
11 Na sodium 23	12 Mg magnesium 24	13 Al aluminium 27	14 Si silicon 28	15 P phosphorus 31	16 S sulfur 32	17 Cl chlorine 35.5	18 Ar argon 40		
19 K potassium 39	20 Ca calcium 40	21 Sc scandium 45	22 Ti titanium 48	23 V vanadium 51	24 Cr chromium 52	25 Mn manganese 55	26 Fe iron 56	27 Co cobalt 59	
37 Rb rubidium 85	38 Sr strontium 88	39 Y yttrium 89	40 Zr zirconium 91	41 Nb niobium 93	42 Mo molybdenum 96	43 Tc technetium —	44 Ru ruthenium 101	45 Rh rhodium 103	
55 Cs caesium 133	56 Ba barium 137	57–71 lanthanoids	72 Hf hafnium 178	73 Ta tantalum 181	74 W tungsten 184	75 Re rhenium 186	76 Os osmium 190	77 Ir iridium 192	
87 Fr francium —	88 Ra radium —	89–103 actinoids	104 Rf rutherfordium —	105 Db dubnium —	106 Sg seaborgium —	107 Bh bohrium —	108 Hs hassium —	109 Mt meitnerium —	
			28 Ni nickel 59	29 Cu copper 64	30 Zn zinc 65	46 Pd palladium 106	47 Ag silver 108	48 Cd cadmium 112	
			49 In indium 115	50 Sn tin 119	51 Sb antimony 122	52 Te tellurium 128	53 I iodine 127	54 Xe xenon 131	
			81 Tl thallium 204	82 Pb lead 207	83 Bi bismuth 209	84 Po polonium —	85 At astatine —	86 Rn radon —	
			112 Cn copernicium —	113 Nh nihonium —	114 Fl flerovium —	115 Mc moscovium —	116 Lv livermorium —	117 Ts tennessine —	
			67 Ho holmium 165	68 Er erbium 167	69 Tm thulium 169	70 Yb ytterbium 173	71 Lu lutetium 175		
			98 Cf californium —	99 Es einsteinium —	100 Fm fermium —	101 Md mendelevium —	102 No nobelium —	103 Lr lawrencium —	

57 La lanthanum 139	58 Ce cerium 140	59 Pr praseodymium 141	60 Nd neodymium 144	61 Pm promethium —	62 Sm samarium 150	63 Eu europium 152	64 Gd gadolinium 157	65 Tb terbium 159	66 Dy dysprosium 163	67 Ho holmium 165	68 Er erbium 167	69 Tm thulium 169	70 Yb ytterbium 173	71 Lu lutetium 175
89 Ac actinium —	90 Th thorium 232	91 Pa protactinium 231	92 U uranium 238	93 Np neptunium —	94 Pu plutonium —	95 Am americium —	96 Cm curium —	97 Bk berkelium —	98 Cf californium —	99 Es einsteinium —	100 Fm fermium —	101 Md mendelevium —	102 No nobelium —	103 Lr lawrencium —

lanthanoids

actinoids

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