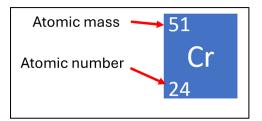
Isotopes

1. Consider the element shown on the right.

Name the element ______

Number of protons _____

Number of neutrons _____



2. Consider the three atoms shown below.
a. Which of these atoms are isotopes of ¹⁴O?

Explain your choice.

¹⁸ ₈ X	¹⁴ ₇ Y	¹⁸ ₁₀ Z
	Figure 1	

b. Which of the elements will have similar chemical properties as 18 W? Explain why.

c. Which of the three elements shown in figure 1 are isotopes of the element L with an atomic mass of 18 and atomic number 7? Explain your answer.

3. Complete the sentence:

Isotopes of an element have the same	
number but different	numbers

4. What is an isotope?

- A. A type of atom with more protons
- B. A type of atom with more electrons
- C. A type of atom with the same number of protons but different number of neutrons
- D. A molecule made of two elements

The Good Side of Isotopes – How Radioactive and Stable Isotopes Help Society

Task:

Research and present a short report (written) explaining how **isotopes** are used in **positive ways** in modern society. Focus on **how isotopes benefit people, health, technology, or the environment**.

What you need to do:

- 1. Choose, no more than 2 or 3, examples of how isotopes are used in real life.
 - At least **one** must be a **radioactive isotope**.
 - The others can be **stable isotopes** or other radioactive ones.

2. Explain for each example:

- Name the isotope and give its chemical symbol as shown on the right.
- What it is used for?
- Why this use is helpful or important to society?
- Safety precautions if radioactive.
- 3. Present your findings as a:
 - written report (1 page in your exercise book)
 - Include pictures or diagrams (hand-drawn)

Examples you can research include but not limited to:

- Carbon-14 used to date ancient objects like fossils
- Iodine-131 used to treat thyroid problems in medicine
- Cobalt-60 used to sterilise hospital equipment
- Technetium-99m used in medical imaging (scans)
- Stable isotopes used to trace water movement or detect pollution

