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The periodic table of elements de-mystified

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Goals and Objectives

Aligned with Sunshine State Standards for Science, Math, Reading and Language Arts and Writing

Physical Science

• SC.5.P.8.4 Explore the scientific theory of atoms (also called atomic theory) by recognizing that all matter is composed of parts that are too small to be seen without magnification.

Reading/LA/Writing

- LAFS.5.RI.2.4 Determine the meaning of general academic-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area
- LAFS.5.W.3.8 Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources

Math

• MAFS.5.MD.2.2 Make a line plot to display a data set of measurements in fractions of a unit (½, ¼ and so on). Use operations on fractions for this grade to solve problems involving information presented in line plots.

Course Overview

- Designed as a five to seven day hands on lesson.
- Objective: De-mystify the periodic table of elements.
- Lesson includes activities and assessment suggestions for science, math, language arts and reading.
- You may select to complete it as an individual class, as a grade level, or with other grade levels.
- I encourage you to have general and special education students working together.
- Use the Ice Breaker idea with your students.
- Students will be able to research information, understand the vocabulary and apply their knowledge.
- When activities are carefully planned anticipate few, if any, behavioral issues.
- Students will be extremely busy working in pairs and groups. Kids will have fun while learning.

Lesson Plan

- Students will understand that the human body is completely made up of elements listed on the Periodic Table.
- 1- Begin by asking: "What do you think you are made of?"
- 2- Have students look online and find the elements in the human body
- 3- Divide class into groups & have them trace their body on roll paper
- 4- Write the elements that they found online on "their body" on roll paper/body cut out
- 5- Make a line plot listing the elements from most to least
- 6- Respond to the prompt: "Write to explain why trace elements are just as important as the rest."

Materials

- A large copy of the periodic table (shower curtain)
- Access to internet
- Roll paper
- Pencils/pens
- Markers/highlighters
- "Body" handout
- Regular lined paper
- *Index cards*

Ice Breaker Activity

- Write your first name on a tent
- What are the elements of your name? (How many letters? How many vowels? How many consonants? How many syllables?)
- Can your name have any letters that are not in the alphabet?

Table of elements

- Quickly look at the table of elements
- What do you notice?
- Are there any patterns?
- 1-
- 2-
- 3-
- 4-

List of ingredients

- The periodic table of elements is a list of ingredients
- It lists ALL the ingredients in EVERYTHING in our known universe
- What makes up water?
- What makes up salt?
- What makes up YOU?

Google it

- 1- Find the elements that make up the human body
- 2-List Major elements from greatest to least
- 3- List the trace elements from greatest to least
- 4- Are trace elements less important than major elements? What do you think?

Additional Lesson Plan Ideas for Math

Have students:

- List elements in the human body on:
 - A line plot in fraction form.
 - A line plot in decimal form.
- List elements in their pet's body & compare it to the human body.
- Write a rap song about the elements in their body. (Writing)
- Write their full name incorporating letters from the Periodic Elements. (Science/Writing)

Additional Lesson Plan Ideas for Language Arts/Writing

Have students

- Write a rap song about the elements in their body. (Writing)
- Write their full name incorporating letters from the Periodic Elements. (Science/Writing)

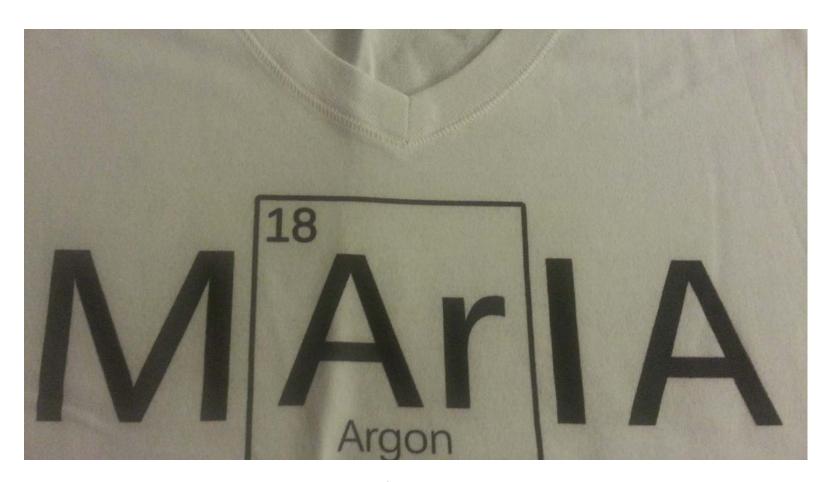
Assessment Ideas for Math

- Make a line plot listing the elements from the most to least
- List elements in:
 - *The human body on a line plot in fraction form.*
 - *The human body on a line plot in decimal form.*
 - Their pet's body & compare it to the human body.

Assessment Ideas for L.A./Writing

- Write the elements that they found online on "their body" on roll paper/body cut out
- Respond to the prompt: "Write to explain why trace elements are just as important as the rest."
- Write a rap song about the elements in their body. (Writing)
- Write their full name incorporating letters from the Periodic Elements.

Name Play



Directions for Name Play

- 1- Have students write full name on a piece of paper.
- 2- Have students find "ELEMENTS" from the Periodic Table in their name.
- 3- Students count letters in name (first/middle or last) and get that many index cards.
- 4-Students create their "ELEMENT" name using the index cards.

Students tracing body



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