

 **PLANIT** Periodic Table Exploration: Elements Detective
TEACHERS Worksheet

Scientific Investigation: Understanding the Periodic Table

Today, you'll become a scientific detective exploring the fascinating world of chemical elements!

Learning Objectives:

- Understand the basic structure of the periodic table
- Identify different element families and their characteristics
- Explore how elements interact and form chemical bonds

Warm-Up: Element Family Tree Investigation

Group Challenge:

Imagine the periodic table is a giant family reunion. Your task is to create a "family profile" for three different element groups:

1. Metals Family
2. Non-Metals Family
3. Metalloids Family

Element Family	Key Characteristics	Example Elements	Unique Traits
Metals			
Non-Metals			
Metalloids			

Atomic Structure Detective Work

Investigate the hidden world of atoms and their components!

Atomic Composition Challenge:

For each of the following elements, complete the atomic detective worksheet:

Element	Atomic Number	Number of Protons	Number of Electrons	Electron Shell Configuration
Hydrogen				
Carbon				
Oxygen				

Chemical Bonding Adventure

Explore how elements connect and create new substances!

Bonding Investigation:

Draw and describe the three main types of chemical bonds:

1. Ionic Bonding

2. Covalent Bonding

3. Metallic Bonding

Elements in Real Life Scavenger Hunt

Find and document elements in everyday objects!

Household Element Detective:

Identify the elements in the following everyday items:

Object	Elements Present	Interesting Fact
Aluminum Foil		
Copper Wire		
Salt		

Final Reflection: Becoming an Element Expert

Individual Reflection:

1. What was the most surprising thing you learned about elements today?

2. How do elements connect to the world around you?

3. What element would you like to learn more about, and why?

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