Worksheet 1.5: Solutions

Electron arrangement in atoms – the world within shells

No.	Answer
1	Five subshells: s subshell – 1 orbital, p subshell – 3 orbitals, d subshell – 5 orbitals, f subshell – 7 orbitals, g subshell – 9 orbitals
2	 a 1s² 2s² 2p⁴ b 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p⁶ 4s² c 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p⁶ 4s² 3d¹⁰ 4p⁵ d 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p⁶ 4s² 3d⁶ e 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p⁶ 4s² 3d⁰
3	 a 1s² 2s² 2p6 b 1s² 2s² 2p6 3s² 3p6 c 1s² 2s² 2p6 d 1s² 2s² 2p6 3s² 3p6 e 1s² 2s² 2p6 f 1s² 2s² 2p6 3s² 3p6 4s² 3d¹0 4p6
4	 a boron b chlorine c oxygen d magnesium
5	 a 1s² 2s² b 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p² c 1s² 2s² 2p⁶ 3s² 3p⁶ 4s² 3d¹0 4p⁶
6	 i The elements in the s block have their outermost electrons in an 2 subshell. ii These elements have incomplete d subshells (except for the d block elements in group 12 (and 11)). iii These elements have their outermost electrons in a p subshell. b These elements will have incomplete f subshells