H/W Questions

1) How does the structure of the atom change across a period and down a group?

2) How does this affect the ionisation energy (How easy it is to remove an electron)?

3) How does this newfound understanding help us explain why K reacts more violently with water than Na?

4)In our demonstration reaction (adding sodium and potassium to water) why was the water alkali after the reaction?

• Draw an electronic structure diagram for sodium (Na), potassium (K) and chlorine (Cl).

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• H/W question 2) How does this affect the ionisation energy (How easy it is to remove an electron)?

 Atoms can lose or gain electrons to form ions with full outer shells of electrons.

- Anions (-ve charge)
- Cations (+ve charge)
- In reactions where ions are formed:
- Metals lose electrons forming cations.
- Non-metals gain electrons forming anions.
- H/W Question 3) Why does K react more violently with water than Na? (Think about your answer to H/W Question 2)

• H/W Question 4) In our demonstration reaction why was the water alkali after the reaction?

• $2Na(s) + 2H_2O(l) \rightarrow 2NaOH(aq) + H_2(g)$

- A base is a substance that neutralises an acid. Bases such as metal oxides and metal hydroxides react with acids to form neutral products.
- Bases that are also soluble in water are called alkalis.
- Examples of alkalis: sodium hydroxide
- All alkalis are bases.