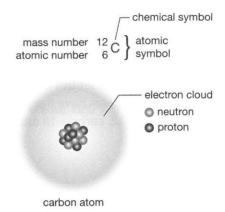
## **Atomic symbols**

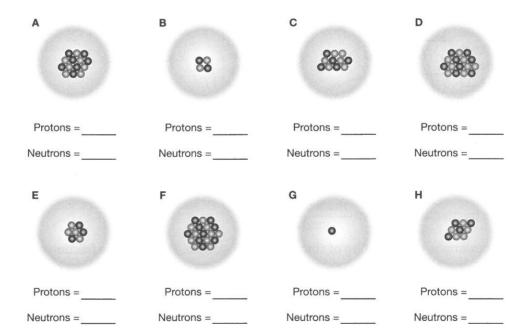
## Science understanding



Scientists use atomic symbols to communicate information about an atom. The atomic symbol is made up of the chemical symbol for the atom, the atomic number and the mass number. The atomic symbol of the carbon atom is shown here.



1 The atomic number is equal to the number of protons. The mass number is equal to the number of protons plus the number of neutrons. Calculate the number of protons and neutrons in the atoms below.



2 Match the letter for each atom in question 1 to its correct chemical symbol below.

<sup>16</sup> <sub>8</sub> O	1 H	$^{14}_{7}\mathrm{N}$	$_3^7 \mathrm{Li}$
<sup>4</sup> <sub>2</sub> He	<sup>9</sup> <sub>4</sub> Be	<sup>11</sup> <sub>5</sub> B	$^{19}_{9}{ m F}$