

#### Question-13

By considering their position in the periodic table, which one of the following elements would you expect to have maximum metallic characteristic?

Ga, Ge, As, Se, Be

Solution:

Beryllium

## Question-14

Which of the following statements is not a correct statement about the trends when going from left to right across the periods of the periodic table?

- (i)The elements become less metallic in nature
- (ii) The number of valence electrons increases
- (iii) The atoms lose their electrons more easily
- (iv) The oxides become more acidic

Solution:

(iii) The atoms lose their electrons more easily – Incorrect statement

### Question-15

Element X forms a chloride with the formula XCl<sub>2</sub>, which is a solid with a high melting point. X would most likely be in the same group of the periodic table as

a. Na b. Mg c. Al d. Si

Solution:

b. Mg

# Question-16

Which element has?

- a.Two shells, both of which are completely filled with electrons?
- b. The electronic configuration of 2,8,2?
- c. A total of three shells, with four electrons in its valence shell?
- d. A total of two shells, with three electrons in its valence shell?
- e. Twice as many electrons in its second shell, as in its first shell? Solution:
- a. Neon (2,8)
- b. Magnesium (2,8,2)
- c. Silicon (2,8,4)
- d. Boron (2,3)
- e. Carbon (2,4)

#### Question-17

What property do all elements in the same column of the periodic table as fluorine have in common?

Solution:

These elements all have 7 electrons in their outermost shells and these often exist as salts, combined with elements from the Alkali metal group.

## Question-18

An atom has electronic configuration 2,8,7.

i. What is the atomic number of this element?

ii. To which of the following elements would it be chemically similar tp N (7) F (9) P (15) Ar (18)

Solution:

(i) Chlorine - 17 (ii) F (9)

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