

Directed Reading A *continued*

Match the correct description with the correct term. Write the letter in the space provided.

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| _____ 10. an electron in the outermost energy level | a. group |
| _____ 11. number of protons in an atom | b. valence electron |
| _____ 12. family on the periodic table to which an element belongs | c. atomic number |

13. Which electrons in an atom make chemical bonds? Why?

14. How can the periodic table help you determine the number of valence electrons?

TO BOND OR NOT TO BOND

_____ **15.** What determines whether an atom will form bonds?

- a.** number of electrons
- b.** number of valence electrons
- c.** number of protons
- d.** number of neutrons

_____ **16.** Which group on the periodic table contains elements that do not normally form chemical bonds?

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| a. Group 2 | c. Group 10 |
| b. Group 6 | d. Group 18 |

17. The outermost energy level of an atom is considered full if the level

contains _____ electrons.

18. Helium atoms need only _____ valence electrons to have a filled outermost energy level.

19. The first energy level of any atom can hold only _____ electrons.

20. Why is it uncommon for noble gases to form chemical bonds?
