

## **Chemistry Basics**

## Merit Requirements Checklist

The following merit requirements must be successfully completed for a boy to be awarded the official Royal Rangers Chemistry Basics merit award. Each requirement must be approved by the boy's group leader or his designee. Content relating to each requirement may be found in the Learning about Chemistry Basics section of this Merit Activity Guide.

| #  | Requirement   | Leader's Initials |
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| 1. | Define the following terms:   |                   |
|    | a. Chemistry  |                   |
|    | b. Matter   |                   |
|    | c. Mass   |                   |
|    | d. Volume   |                   |
|    | e. Element  |                   |
|    | f. Atom   |                   |
|    | g. Molecule   |                   |
|    | h. Ion  |                   |
| 2. | List and give examples of the (3) states of matter.                   |                   |
| 3. | List the (3) basic subatomic particles, giving the charge for each.   |                   |
|    | Which (2) particles comprise the nucleus of an atom?                  |                   |
| 4. | Draw a basic Bohr model diagram of the oxygen element (oxygen-16      |                   |
|    | or O-16) with the appropriate number of protons and neutrons in the   |                   |
|    | nucleus and the appropriate number of electrons at each energy        |                   |
|    | level.  |                   |
| 5. | Explain the origins and purpose of the Periodic Table of Elements and |                   |
|    | use it to describe and locate each of the following element           |                   |
|    | categories:   |                   |
|    | a. Alkali metals  |                   |
|    | b. Halogens   |                   |
|    | c. Noble gases  |                   |
|    | d. Metals   |                   |
|    | e. Nonmetals  |                   |
|    | f. Rare-earth elements  |                   |
|    | g. Lanthanoids  |                   |
|    | h. Actinoids  |                   |
| 6. | Complete any (4) of the following experiments. For each one, state a  |                   |
|    | hypothesis describing your expected outcome before you begin. After   |                   |
|    | each one, discuss what happened, whether your hypothesis proved       |                   |
|    | correct, and what you learned.  |                   |
|    | a. Elephant's toothpaste  |                   |
|    | b. Under pressure   |                   |
|    | c. Invisible ink  |                   |

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|    | h. Density column      |  |
|    | g. Slime it up         |  |
|    | f. Hot and cold        |  |
|    | e. Cleaning Lincoln    |  |
|    | d. Rock formation      |  |

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