

Unit 7A Radioactive Decay *Practice Problems*

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Work each of the following problems. SHOW ALL WORK.

- 1. Write the symbolic notation for lead-207.
- 2. How many protons does lead-207 have? How do you know?
- 3. How many neutrons does lead-207 have? How do you know?

4. Complete the following table:

Isotope	Symbol	Mass #	Atomic #	# Protons	# Neutrons
boron-11					
cobalt-59					
cesium-133					
chlorine-35					
argon-40					

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5. Write the element that is formed in the beta-minus decay of carbon-14.

6. Write the element that is formed in the alpha decay of radium-224.

7. Write the equation for the beta-minus decay of phosphorous-32.

8. Write the equation for the alpha decay of plutonium-238.