Subject	Science
Unit/Topic	Year 9 Periodic Table

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Abundance	If there is a lot of something, it is described as being abundant.
Atom	The smallest part of an element that can exist.
Atomic Number	The number of protons in the nucleus of an atom. Also called the proton number.
Compound	A substance formed by the chemical union of two or more elements.
Conservation Of Mass	The total mass of reactants before a reaction is equal to the total mass of products after a reaction, because no atoms can be created or destroyed so the mass must remain unchanged.
Electron	Subatomic particle, with a negative charge and a negligible mass relative to protons and neutrons.
Electron Structure	A set of numbers to show how the electrons in an atom are arranged in shells, or energy levels.
Element	A substance made of one type of atom only.
Formula	A combination of symbols that indicates the chemical composition of a substance.
Group	A vertical column in the periodic table containing elements with similar chemical properties.
Insoluble	Unable to dissolve in a particular solvent. For example, sand is insoluble in water.
lon	Electrically charged particle, formed when an atom or molecule gains or loses electrons.
Isotope	Atoms of an element with the same number of protons and electrons but different numbers of neutrons.

Mass	The amount of matter an object contains. Mass is measured in kilograms (kg) or grams (g).
Metal	Shiny element that is a good conductor of electricity and heat, and which forms basic oxides.
Molecule	A collection of two or more atoms held together by chemical bonds.
Non-Metal	Element that is a poor conductor of electricity and heat, and which forms acidic oxides.
Nucleus	The central part of an atom. It contains protons and neutrons, and has most of the mass of the atom. The plural of nucleus is nuclei.
Period	A horizontal row in the periodic table.
Product	A substance formed in a chemical reaction.
Properties	The characteristics of something. In chemistry, chemical properties include the reactions a substance can take part in. Physical properties include colour and boiling point.
Proton	Subatomic particle with a positive charge and a relative mass of I. The relative charge of a proton is +1.
Reactant	A substance that reacts together with another substance to form products during a chemical reaction.
Relative Atomic Mass	The mean relative mass of the atoms of the different isotopes in an element. It is the number of times heavier an atom is than one-twelfth of a carbon-12 atom.
Soluble	Able to dissolve in solvent. For example, sugar is soluble in water because it dissolves to form sugar solution
State Symbol	A symbol used in chemical equations to show if a substance is a solid, a liquid, a gas, or an aqueous solution.
Word Equation	An equation in which only the names of the reactants and products are used to model a reaction.