

#### The student is expected to:

TEKS 4B investigate and explain cellular processes, including homeostasis, energy conversions, transport of molecules, and synthesis of new molecules and 9A compare the structures and functions of different types of biomolecules, including

and nucleic acids

carbohydrates, lipids, proteins,



# 2.1

#### **KEY CONCEPT**

All living things are based on atoms and their interactions.

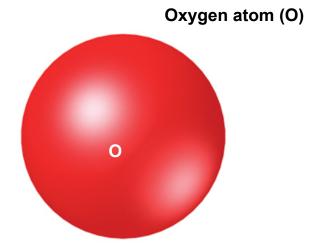




#### Living things consist of atoms of different elements.

- An atom is the smallest basic unit of matter.
- An element is one type of atom.

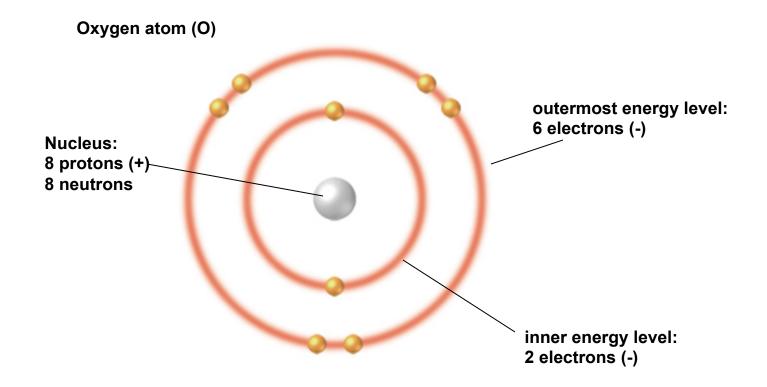
Hydrogen atom (H)





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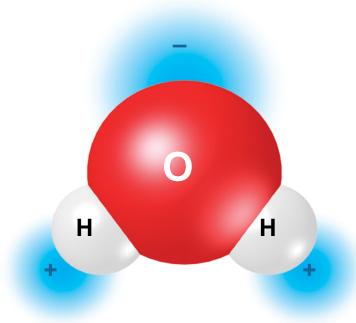
- An atom has a nucleus and electrons.
  - The nucleus has protons and neutrons.
  - Electrons are in energy levels outside nucleus.





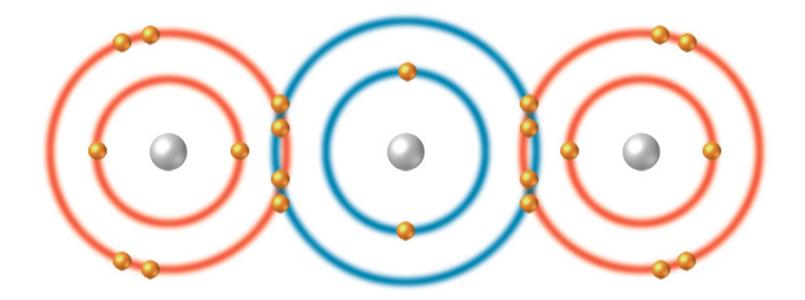
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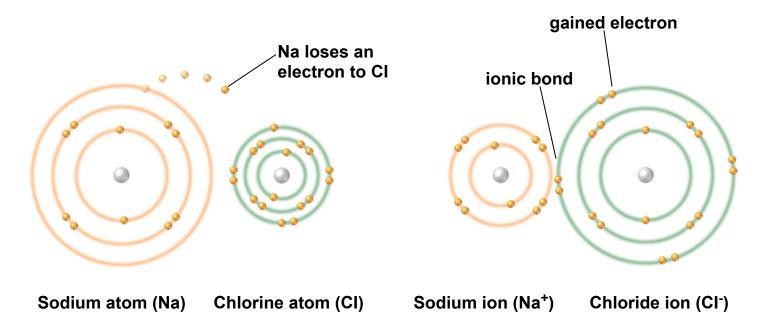


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  - many other carbon-based compounds in living things



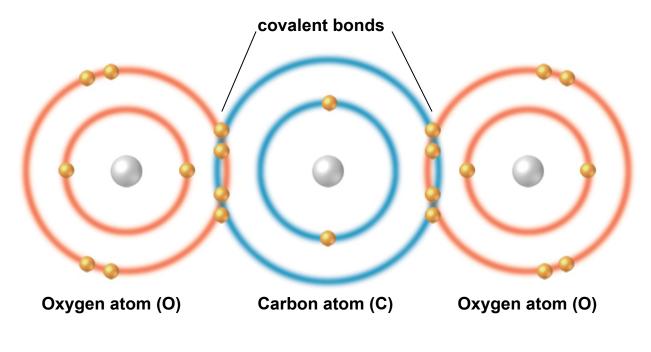
- lons form when atoms gain or lose electrons.
  - An ion is an atom that has gained or lost one or more electrons.
    - positive ions
    - negative ions
  - Ionic bonds form between oppositely charged ions.





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- Atoms share pairs of electrons in covalent bonds.
  - A covalent bond forms when atoms share a pair of electrons.
    - multiple covalent bonds
    - diatomic molecules



Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)