

Eight Is Enough

Octet Rule

Name	
Date	Period

Purpose

To apply the octet rule to creating Lewis dot structures and structural formulas.

Instructions

1. Fill in the table with the correct structural formulas and Lewis dot structures. Check your drawings against the octet rule and the HONC 1234 rule. Include lone pairs in the structural formulas.

Molecular formula	Structural formula	Lewis dot structure
C ₂ H ₆		
C_2H_4		
C_2H_2		

- **2.** Explain how you can tell from the molecular formula when a compound has a double or a triple bond.
- **3.** Fill in the table with the correct structural formula. Include lone pairs in the structural formulas.

Molecular formula	Structural formula	Molecular formula	Structural formula
H ₂		Ι2	
Cl ₂		N ₂	
0 ₂			

- **4.** Molecules that are made up of two atoms are called **diatomic molecules.** Some elements—such as N₂, O₂, and all the halogens—are found as diatomic molecules in nature. Why do you think this is the case?
- **5.** Fill in the table with the correct molecular formula or structural formula. Include lone pairs in the structural formulas.

Molecular formula	Structural formula	Molecular formula	Structural formula
	H H-C-Ö: H H	CH₅N	
	H-C=Ö H	CH ₃ N	
CH ₄ O ₂		HCN	
CH ₂ O ₂		CO ₂	

- **6. Making Sense** Describe the process you use to determine the structure of molecules.
- **7. If You Finish Early** From what you've learned so far, predict how the molecules in the table in Question 5 will smell. Explain your predictions.