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Nuclear Energy Explained

Directions: How does a nuclear power plant convert matter into energy? Use the word bank below to fill in the blanks!

Atoms	Turbine	Pressurized
Isolate	Generator	Electricity
Energy	Fission	Chain Reaction
Nuclear	Spent Fuel	Split and Collide



_____ power plants make _____ by heating water into _____ steam that spins the _____ blades and turns the _____. The heat used comes from the nuclear _____ process. Fission is the process of splitting _____ into smaller parts. As atoms _____ they heat up. This process of _____ release is called a _____. Nuclear power plants do not release greenhouse gas emissions. Nuclear power plants can _____ their waste in the form of _____ from the environment.

Periodic Table of Elements

1 H Hydrogen 1.008																	2 He Helium 4.003																																																																																																																																																																			
3 Li Lithium 6.94	4 Be Beryllium 9.012																																																																																																																																																																																			
11 Na Sodium 22.99	12 Mg Magnesium 24.31																																																																																																																																																																																			
19 K Potassium 39.10	20 Ca Calcium 40.08	21 Sc Scandium 44.96	22 Ti Titanium 47.88	23 V Vanadium 50.94	24 Cr Chromium 52.00	25 Mn Manganese 54.94	26 Fe Iron 55.85	27 Co Cobalt 58.93	28 Ni Nickel 58.69	29 Cu Copper 63.55	30 Zn Zinc 65.39	31 Ga Gallium 69.72	32 Ge Germanium 72.64	33 As Arsenic 74.92	34 Se Selenium 78.96	35 Br Bromine 79.90	36 Kr Krypton 83.79																																																																																																																																																																			
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Key

-  Radioactive
-  Artificially created
-  Solid at room temp
-  Liquid at room temp
-  Gas at room temp

57 La Lanthanum 138.9	58 Ce Cerium 140.1	59 Pr Praseodymium 140.9	60 Nd Neodymium 144.2	61 Pm Promethium (145)	62 Sm Samarium 150.4	63 Eu Europium 152.0	64 Gd Gadolinium 157.2	65 Tb Terbium 158.9	66 Dy Dysprosium 162.5	67 Ho Holmium 164.9	68 Er Erbium 167.3	69 Tm Thulium 168.9	70 Yb Ytterbium 173.0	71 Lu Lutetium 175.0
89 Ac Actinium (227)	90 Th Thorium 232.0	91 Pa Protactinium 231.0	92 U Uranium 238.0	93 Np Neptunium (237)	94 Pu Plutonium (244)	95 Am Americium (243)	96 Cm Curium (247)	97 Bk Berkelium (247)	98 Cf Californium (251)	99 Es Einsteinium (252)	100 Fm Fermium (257)	101 Md Mendelevium (258)	102 No Nobelium (259)	103 Lr Lawrencium (262)