

Calculating Formula Mass

The formula mass of a compound is the mass, in grams, of the elements that comprise the formula of that compound. You will be rounding the element's average mass to whole numbers before adding up the formula mass.

Example:

<u>Compound</u>	<u>Formula</u>	<u>Calculation of Formula Mass</u>	
Calcium fluoride	$\text{Ca}^{2+}\text{F}_2^{1-}$	20 Ca Calcium 40.08	40 g + 9 F Fluorine 19.00 2(19 g) = 78 g

Now, do the remainder of these practice problems using your periodic table.

Compound	Formula (show charges)	Calculation of Formula Mass (show your work)
Sodium oxide		
Lithium fluoride		
Hydrogen sulfide		
Beryllium oxide		
Potassium nitride		
Chromium(III) oxide		
Aluminum fluoride		
Aluminum phosphide		
Calcium sulfide		
Sodium bromide		
Lithium phosphide		
Cobalt(II) oxide		
Calcium iodide		
Aluminum oxide		
Beryllium nitride		