Electrical Charges

If an object has more positive charges () than negative charges (), its electrical charge is positive ().

If an object has more negative charges () than positive charges (), its electrical charge is negative ().

If an object has the same number of positive () and negative () charges, it has no electrical charge or is neutral.

Example:



Electrical charge: positive charge

Count the positive and negative charges in each picture. Write <u>positive charge</u>, <u>negative charge</u>, or <u>no charge</u> on each line.

1.



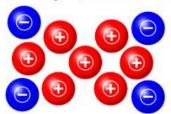
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electrical charge:

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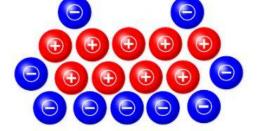
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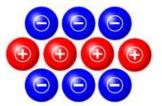
electrical charge:

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5.



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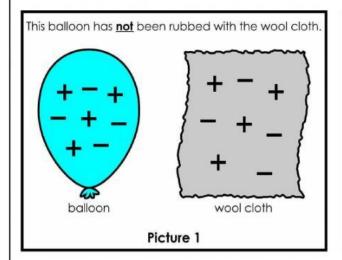


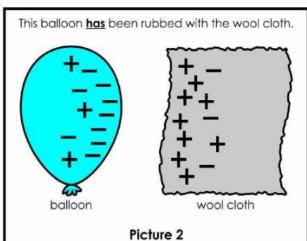
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Static Electricity

Rubbing a balloon with wool cloth will create static electricity charges.





In Picture 1, does the balloon have a positive charge, negative charge, or no charge?
In Picture 1, does the cloth have a positive charge, negative charge, or no charge?
In Picture 2, does the balloon have a positive charge, negative charge, or no charge?
In Picture 2, does the cloth have a positive charge, negative charge, or no charge?
If you place small pieces of tissue paper near the balloon in Picture 2, they would probably stick to the balloon. Explain why.

