

Exercise 1

Read the information. Then complete the sentences. Use the suffixes in the box.

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Texts in the IELTS test might include some scientific names, so it is good if you can recognise them. But don't worry: you won't be tested on your scientific knowledge!

1. The gas that all people and animals need to breathe is called oxy
_____.
2. Nitr _____ is made of one atom of nitrogen and three of oxygen, and is often used as a fertiliser. Its molecular formula is NO_3 .
3. An ox _____ is a compound containing oxygen and other chemical elements.
4. The chemical name for water is hydro _____ dioxide, or H_2O .
5. The adjective nitr _____ is used to describe substances related to the gas nitrogen (N).