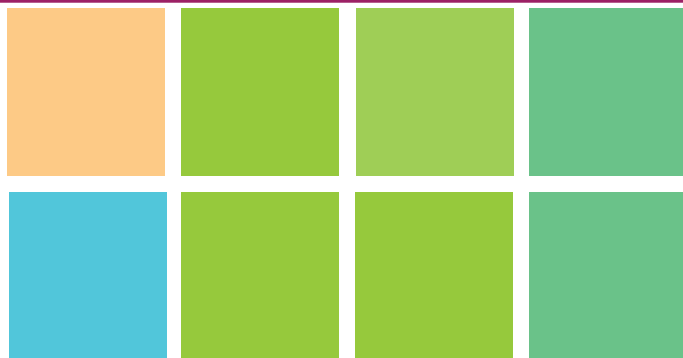


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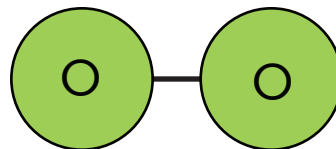
Atoms are the tiny building blocks that make up all matter. Individually, they aren't much good. When atoms join together, they are called *molecules*.

For example, the oxygen we breathe is not single atoms of oxygen; they're actually combined molecules of two oxygen atoms.

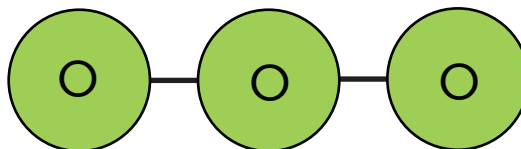
Add one more oxygen atom to the O^2 molecule, and you have ozone, or O^3 .

When molecules of different elements join together, they are called *compounds*. One compound that you may already know is H^2O , the chemical compound for water.

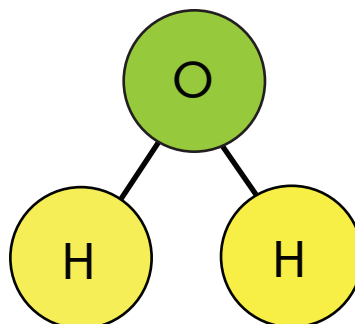
Breathable Oxygen Molecule



Ozone Molecule

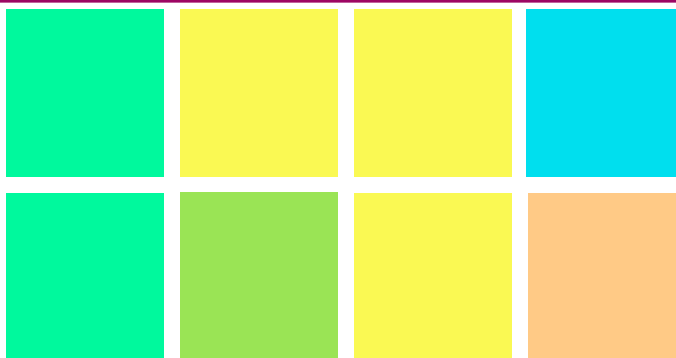


Water Molecule



Answer Key

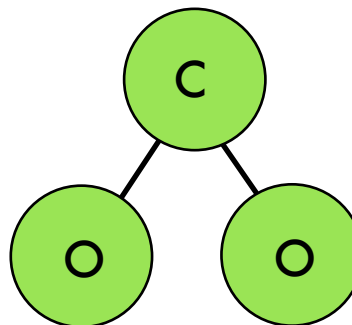
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Name any other chemical compounds that you know, and draw their diagrams below.

To draw a diagram use circles with the elements symbols in them and use lines to show where the elements attach to become a molecule.

Carbon Dioxide Molecule CO²



Student answers will vary, but may include:

