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## **Charged and Neutral Atoms**

The nucleus of an atom contains  $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$  (p $^+$ ), which are positively charged, and neutrons (n $^0$ ), which have no charge. Electrons (e $^-$ ) move around the nucleus.

- An atom is **positively** charged if it has more \_\_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_.
- An atom is **negatively** charged if it has more \_\_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_.
- An atom is **neutral** (has no charge) if it has an equal number of \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_. The number of \_\_\_\_\_ does not affect an atom's charge.

Identify the number of protons and electrons in each drawing below. Then label the atom *positive*, *negative*, or *neutral*.

