Periodic Table Fun!

1)	Why do elements in the same families share some of the same properties?
2)	Why don't elements in the same families share <i>all</i> of the same properties?
3)	How do the properties of the halogens differ from those of the noble gases?
4)	Why don't elements in the same periods share many of the same properties?
5)	What two families of the periodic table would react most violently with one another, and why?