The symbol of an element surrounded by dots, where the number of dots is equal to the number of valence electrons. Dots are spread out on four sides of the symbol.
Because, when bonding, they act as if they have 2, 3 and 4 unpaired electrons. This is also true of other elements in the same groups as Be, B, and C.
Look at the group number of the element. For example, O is in group VI (roman numeral 6) and has 6 valence electrons.
$Na \circ + Cl \bullet \longrightarrow [Na]^+ [\circ Cl \bullet]^-$
They do not benefit from a lattice energy. Instead, they form because of the lowering of energy that comes from sharing electrons.
There is an attraction between the nucleus of one atom and the electrons of another. There is a repulsion between nuclei of opposite atoms and between electrons of opposite atoms.
At the distance were forces of attraction are equal to forces of repulsion. In other words, where the energy is lowest.
Because energy would be required to push the atoms closer together. Likewise, energy would be required to pull them apart.
An "electron pair bond", or simply a "bond". With a pair of dots between elements, or with a dash (representing the two bonding electrons).
When atoms (other than hydrogen) react, they tend to achieve an outer shell having eight electrons.
With 2 or 3 pairs of electrons (or dashes) respectively.
$BeCl_2$ and $BCl_3$ have less than an octet, $PCl_5$ and $SF_6$ have more than an octet.
1) Decide which atoms are bonded
2) add together the number of valence electrons from all atoms
3) subtract two electrons for each bond
4) complete the octet of peripheral atoms (remember, hydrogen has 2 electrons instead of an octet)
5) place remaining electrons in pairs around the central atom
<ul> <li>6) ensure that the central atom has at least an octet, unless it is Be (4 e- instead of 8) or B (6 e-); form double or triple bonds if necessary.</li> </ul>
When a molecule cannot be represented adequately by a single Lewis structure. All contributing structures are drawn, separated by a double headed arrow(s). Alternatively the resonance bond is represented by a dashed line.
The molecule does not flip-flop between structures. Instead it takes a form that is intermediate between the resonance structures.
When a double bond must be formed to give an octet to the central atom, and
there are equivalent choices for the location of the double bond.
VCEDD (Valence Chall Electron Dair Deputaion) theory
VSEPR (Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion) theory Bonds contain electrons. These areas of high negative charge will be oriented such that the distance between them is maximized.
2 - Linear (no faces), 3 - Planar triangular (1 face), 4 - Tetrahedral (4), 5 -
Trigonal bipyramidal (6), 6 - Octahedral (8).
109.5 <sup>°</sup>
By simple geometry: a circle is $360^{\circ}$ , thus a planar triangular molecule (three bonds) will have bond angles of $120^{\circ}$ ( $360/3 = 120$ )
Lone pairs.
Tetrahedron (4 bonds, 0 lone pairs) goes to trigonal pyramidal (3,1), then to nonlinear/bent (2,2).
Trigonal bipyramidal (5,0) goes to unsymmetrical tetrahedron (4,1), T-shaped
(3,2), and linear (2,3).