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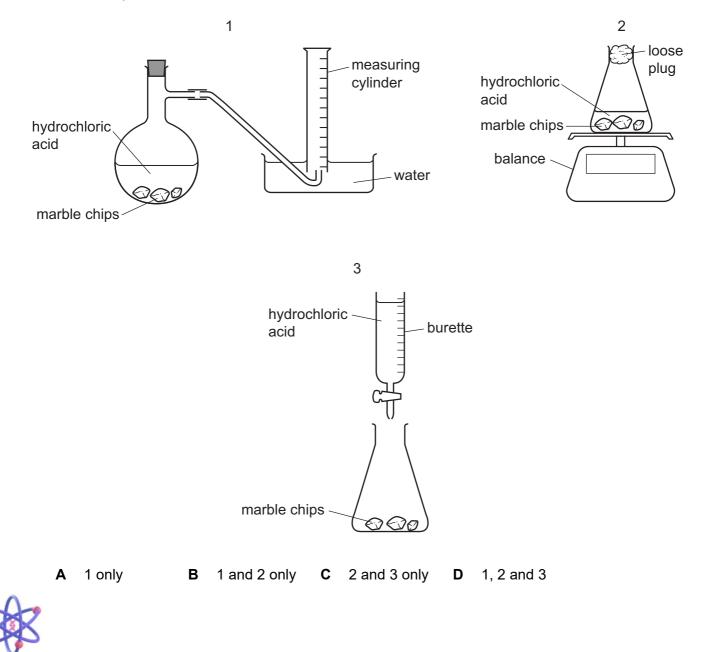
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- 1 Which gas has the lowest rate of diffusion at room temperature and pressure?
 - A the gas produced when ammonium chloride is heated with aqueous sodium hydroxide
 - B the gas which makes up approximately 78% of clean, dry air
 - C the gas produced when sodium carbonate is added to dilute hydrochloric acid
 - **D** the gas produced when zinc is added to dilute sulfuric acid

- O CLICK FOR EXPLANATION
- **2** A student follows the rate of the reaction between marble chips, $CaCO_3$, and dilute hydrochloric acid.

$$CaCO_3 + 2HCl \rightarrow CaCl_2 + CO_2 + H_2O$$

Which diagrams show apparatus that, with a stopwatch, is suitable for this experiment?

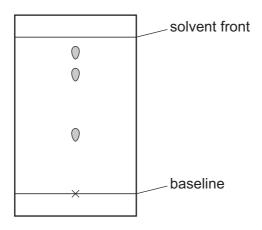


3 A mixture of three liquids is separated by fractional distillation.

Which statements are correct?

- 1 The mixture boils at constant temperature throughout the separation.
- 2 The temperature at which the mixture boils increases during the separation.
- 3 The liquid with the highest boiling point is collected first.
- 4 The liquid with the lowest boiling point is collected first.
- **A** 1 and 3 **B** 1 and 4 **C** 2 and 3 **D** 2 and 4
- 4 A mixture of four coloured dyes is analysed by chromatography.

The result is shown.



Which change will allow the four dyes to be seen?

- **A** Measure the R_f values of the spots carefully.
- **B** Run the chromatogram for a longer time.
- **C** Run the chromatogram using a different solvent.
- **D** Use a locating agent.
- **5** A compound X, when heated with an aqueous solution of compound Y, produces a gas that turns red litmus blue.

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- 1 Y could be sodium hydroxide.
- 2 X is an acid.
- 3 X could be an ammonium salt.
- 4 X could be sodium nitrate.

Which statements are correct?

A 1, 2 and 3 **B** 1 and 3 only **C** 3 only **D** 2 and 4

An aqueous solution of zinc chloride is tested by adding reagents. 6

Which observation is correct?

	reagent added to zinc chloride (aq)	observations
Α	acidified aqueous barium nitrate	forms a white precipitate
В	aqueous ammonia	forms a white precipitate, soluble in excess of the reagent
С	aqueous sodium hydroxide	forms a white precipitate, insoluble in excess of the reagent
D	powdered copper	forms a grey precipitate

7 The equation for the decomposition of ammonium carbonate, (NH₄)₂CO₃, is shown.

 $(NH_4)_2CO_3(s) \rightarrow 2NH_3(g) + CO_2(g) + H_2O(I)$

[*M*_r: (NH₄)₂CO₃, 96]

The total volume of gas produced is 360 cm³ at r.t.p.

Which mass of ammonium carbonate, (NH₄)₂CO₃, is decomposed?

A 0.24g B 0.48g C 0.96g	D 1.44 g
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Which statement about atoms and ions is correct? 8

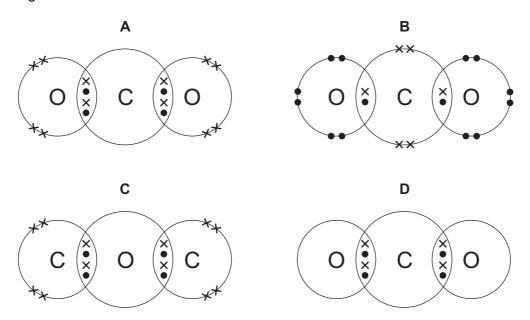
- **A** Atoms and ions of the same element must have different numbers of neutrons.
- В Isotopes of different elements must have different numbers of neutrons.
- С The charge on a positive ion = (nucleon number – number of neutrons – number of electrons).
- D The number of protons and number of neutrons in an atom must be the same.



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9 The bonding in a molecule of carbon dioxide can be represented by a dot-and-cross diagram.Which diagram is correct?



- **10** Which statement about the structure or bonding of metals is correct?
 - A metal lattice consists of negative ions in a 'sea of electrons'.
 - **B** Electrons in a metal move randomly through the lattice.
 - **C** Metals are malleable because the ions present are mobile.
 - **D** The ions in a metal move when positive and negative electrodes are attached.
- **11** The relative atomic mass of chlorine is 35.5.

What is the mass of 2.0 mol of chlorine gas?

- **A** 17.75g **B** 35.5g **C** 71g **D** 142g
- **12** Methane burns in oxygen.

 $CH_4(g) \ + \ 2O_2(g) \ \rightarrow \ CO_2(g) \ + \ 2H_2O(I)$

 10 cm^3 of methane is reacted with 25 cm^3 of oxygen.

What is the total volume of gas that would be measured after the reaction?

(Assume all volumes of gases are measured at room temperature and pressure.)

A 10 cm^3 **B** 15 cm^3 **C** 30 cm^3 **D** 35 cm^3





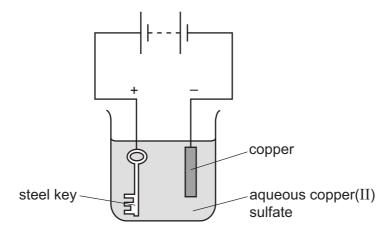
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13 An aqueous solution is made by dissolving 3.4 g of sodium hydroxide, NaOH, to make 500 cm³ of solution.

What is the concentration, in mol/dm³, of this sodium hydroxide solution?

A 0.0068 **B** 0.085 **C** 0.17 **D** 6.8

- 14 Which statement about electrolysis reactions is correct?
 - A Bromine is formed at the anode when molten lead bromide is electrolysed.
 - **B** Positive ions are discharged at the positive electrode.
 - **C** Sodium is formed at the cathode when aqueous sodium chloride is electrolysed.
 - **D** Sulfur dioxide is formed as a gas when dilute sulfuric acid is electrolysed.
- **15** The apparatus shown is set up to plate a steel key with copper.



The key does not get coated with copper.

Which change needs to be made to plate the key?

- A Increase the concentration of the aqueous copper(II) sulfate.
- **B** Increase the voltage.
- **C** Replace the solution with dilute sulfuric acid.
- **D** Reverse the electrical connections.
- 16 Which process is endothermic?
 - A atoms bonding to form molecules
 - **B** the chemical reaction occurring in a fuel cell
 - **C** the reaction of carbon dioxide and water to produce glucose and oxygen
 - **D** the reaction of methane with oxygen to produce water and carbon dioxide

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- 17 The reaction of hydrogen with chlorine to form gaseous hydrogen chloride is exothermic.Which statement is correct?
 - A The total energy of bond formation is greater than the total energy of bond breaking.
 - **B** The total energy of bond breaking is greater than the total energy of bond formation.
 - **C** The temperature of the reaction mixture falls during the reaction.
 - **D** The temperature of the reaction mixture remains unchanged during the reaction.
- **18** The equation shows the reaction for the manufacture of ammonia.

 $N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$

Which change will decrease the activation energy of the reaction?

- A addition of a catalyst
- **B** decrease in temperature
- **C** increase in concentration
- D increase in pressure
- 19 Which statements about oxidation and reduction are correct?
 - 1 Reduction can involve the loss of oxygen.
 - 2 Oxidation can involve the loss of hydrogen.
 - 3 Reduction can involve the loss of electrons.
 - **A** 1 and 2 only **B** 1 and 3 only **C** 2 and 3 only **D** 1, 2 and 3
- **20** Aqueous ammonium nitrite, NH₄NO₂, decomposes when heated.

 $NH_4NO_2(aq) \rightarrow N_2(g) + 2H_2O(I)$

In this salt, the anion is1.....

The nitrogen atoms in the2..... ion are oxidised during the reaction.

Which formulae correctly complete gaps 1 and 2?

	1	2
Α	NH_4^+	NH_4^+
В	NH_4^+	NO_2^-
С	NO_2^-	NH_4^+
D	NO_2^-	NO_2^-



21 Elements X and Y react together in a reversible reaction to form XY₂.

$$X + 2Y \rightleftharpoons XY_2$$

1.0 mol of X is mixed with 1.0 mol of Y and the mixture is left to react until an equilibrium position is reached.

Which statements about this reaction are correct?

- 1 After the equilibrium position has been reached, the reaction stops.
- 2 At equilibrium there is more than 0.5 mol of X present.
- 3 At equilibrium there is less than $1.0 \text{ mol of } XY_2 \text{ present.}$

A 1, 2 and 3 **B** 2 only **C** 3 only **D** 2 and 3 only

- **22** Two solutions are prepared.
 - Solution P is 0.050 mol/dm³ hydrochloric acid.
 - Solution Q is 0.100 mol/dm³ butanoic acid.

A 2 cm strip of magnesium ribbon is put into 100 cm^3 of each solution. Fizzing is seen in both solutions but the fizzing is faster in solution P than it is in solution Q.

Which statement helps to explain this observation?

- A Magnesium reacts with solution P to form a salt, but does not form a salt with solution Q.
- **B** More particles are dissociated in solution P than are dissociated in solution Q.
- **C** Solution Q contains a stronger acid than solution P.
- **D** The particles are closer together in solution Q than they are in solution P.
- 23 Which compound can be formed by precipitation?

A NaCl **B** K_2SO_4 **C** $Ca(NO_3)_2$ **D** $PbSO_4$

- 24 In a neutralisation reaction, which change in particles occurs?
 - **A** atoms \rightarrow molecules
 - $\textbf{B} \quad \text{ions} \ \rightarrow \ \text{molecules}$
 - $\textbf{C} \quad \text{atoms} \ \rightarrow \ \text{ions}$
 - $\textbf{D} \quad \text{ions} \ \rightarrow \ \text{atoms}$



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