

(Note that this is not everything, only those that are tested)

WA2

Chapter 8 : Acids & Bases

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★ Acids are substances that dissociate in water to form H^+ ions.

Ethanoic acid = CH_3COOH

Hydrochloric acid = HCl

Nitric acid = HNO_3

Sulfuric acid = H_2SO_4

Properties:

1. Acids have a sour taste

2. Acids produce mobile ions when dissolved in water to conduct electricity

3. Aqueous acids turn blue litmus paper red

Acid + (reactive) Metal $\longrightarrow$ Salt + Hydrogen

↳ Does not work with metals like copper, silver and lead

Acid + Base/Alkali $\longrightarrow$ Salt + Water

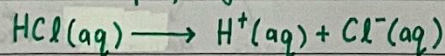
↳ Called neutralisation

Acid + Carbonate $\longrightarrow$ Salt + Water + Carbon dioxide

↳ HCl (hydrochloric acid) ↳ HNO_3 (nitric acid) ↳ H_2SO_4 (sulfuric acid)

Strong acids dissociate completely in water to form a high concentration of hydrogen ions.

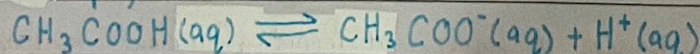
↳ For example, hydrochloric acid is a strong acid.



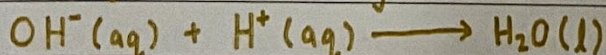
↳ H_3PO_4 (Phosphoric acid) ↳ CH_3COOH (Ethanoic acid)

Weak acids dissociate partially in water to form low concentration of hydrogen ions.

↳ For example, ethanoic acid is a weak acid.



★ Ionic equation for every Acid + Base/Alkali reaction:



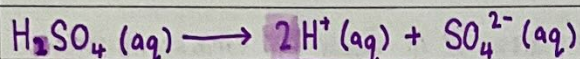
★ Basicity of an acid is the maximum number of H^+ ions that can be produced by 1 molecule of acid during dissociation.

↳ Honestly just look at the chemical formula for the number of hydrogen for 1 molecule of the compound.



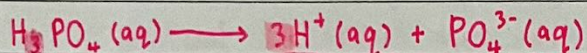
↳ HCl is a **monobasic** acid.

↳ Produces one H^+ ion from each acid molecule when dissociated in water



↳ H_2SO_4 is a **dibasic** acid.

↳ Produces two H^+ ions from each acid molecule when dissociated in water



↳ H_3PO_4 is a **tribasic** acid

↳ Produces three H^+ ions from each acid molecule when dissociated in water.

→ Not tested for WA2

★ Bases are any metal **oxide** or hydroxide.

Sodium oxide = Na_2O

Zinc oxide = ZnO

Copper(II) oxide = CuO

Magnesium hydroxide = $Mg(OH)_2$

Aluminium hydroxide = $Al(OH)_3$

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Bases are mostly insoluble in water

↳ Exceptions:

- Bases containing group 1 metals
- Bases containing ammonium ion (NH_4^+)

When (soluble) bases dissolve in water, it forms a metal hydroxide called an alkali.

★ An alkali is a substance which releases hydroxide ions (OH^-) when it is dissolved in water.

Properties:

1. Soapy feeling
2. Turning red litmus paper blue
3. Able to conduct electricity
4. Corrosive
5. Reacts with acids to form water
 $\text{Acid} + \text{Base/Alkali} \rightarrow \text{Salt} + \text{Water}$
6. Reacts with ammonium salts to form ammonia, salt and water
 $\text{Base/Alkali} + \text{Ammonium salt} \rightarrow \text{Salt} + \text{Ammonia} + \text{Water}$

The strength of an alkali refers to the extent of ionisation of the alkali when dissociated in water.

a high concentration of

Strong alkalis ionise completely in water to produce OH^- ions.

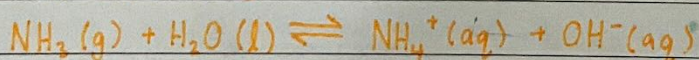
↳ Examples include:

- Sodium hydroxide = NaOH
- Potassium hydroxide = KOH

Weak alkalis ionise partially to produce a low concentration of hydroxide ions.

↳ Examples include:

- Ammonia = NH_3



A pH scale is a measure of how acidic or alkaline an aqueous solution is.

acidic

neutral

alkali



↓
 $\uparrow \text{H}^+$
 conc.

↓
 H^+ conc.
 $= \text{OH}^-$ conc.

↓
 $\uparrow \text{OH}^-$
 conc.

An indicator changes colours when added to an acid or alkali.

↳ It is a mixture of substances which shows different colours in different pH.

Tips for titration practical:

1. Look out for the results table!!

↳ Okay this is quite important so listen closely

↳ There's normally only one way to do this table:

	1	2	3
Final burette reading/cm ³			
Initial burette reading/cm ³			
Volume of ____ used/cm ³			
Best titration results			

→ higher

→ lower

↳ Follow this format & you'll be ok!

2. Do not leave the filter funnel ON THE BURETTE.

↳ Yes, you're in a rush, but they check this too

↳ Immediately after pouring the solution into the burette, take it off!

↳ Leaving it on will only make the results and yours worse -

3. Label the liquids!!

↳ I can never stress this enough, as this is what's standing between whether you finish the paper.

↳ The chemicals you will use are definitely going to be transparent & colourless, so pour them into beakers (label the beakers) before pouring them in anything.

4. Remember units!!!

↳ $1 \text{ dm}^3 = 1000 \text{ cm}^3$

5. Same assumption all round

↳ If they ask for assumptions of

↳ Assume that all of ____ fully reacted with ____

