

## Single Displacement & Combustion Reactions Notes

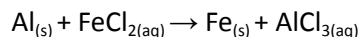
A Single Displacement Reaction occurs when one element displaces (or replaces) another element in a chemical compound

**General form:  $A + BC \rightarrow AC + B$**

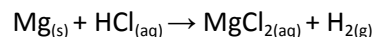
In this reaction, B has been replaced by A in BC, leaving B to exist by itself

### Types of Single Displacement Reactions:

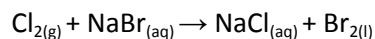
A metal displacing another metal in an ionic compound



A metal displacing Hydrogen in water or an acid

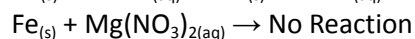
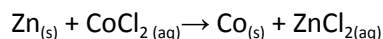


A non-metal displacing another non-metal in an ionic compound



Some metals are more reactive than others and can be ranked relative to one another. This is called the **Metal Activity Series**. We can use the activity series to predict the products in Single Displacement Reactions.

**A metal (element) higher up on the series will replace any element lower down**



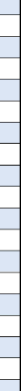



### Displacement of Hydrogen

Notice that **Hydrogen** is also on the list. **Anything above Hydrogen will displace it in an acid**

Some highly reactive elements can also replace the **Hydrogen** in water

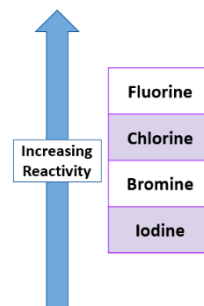
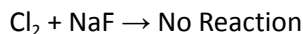
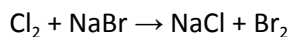
- These include: Lithium, Potassium, Barium, Calcium and Sodium
- Metal will take **Hydroxide** from the water, leaving **H<sub>2</sub> Gas**
  - $\text{Na}_{(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_{(l)} \rightarrow \text{NaOH}_{(aq)} + \text{H}_{2(g)}$

Metal	Displaces Hydrogen...		Reactivity
	Water	Acids	
Lithium			<b>MOST</b> 
Potassium			
Barium			
Calcium			
Sodium			
Magnesium			
Aluminum			
Zinc			
Chromium			
Iron			
Cadmium			
Cobalt			
Nickel			
Tin			
Lead			
Hydrogen			
Copper			
Mercury			
Silver			
Platinum			
Gold			<b>LEAST</b>

### Activity Series of Halogens

There is also a series for **Halogens** that can be used to determine whether certain anions can be replaced in reactions

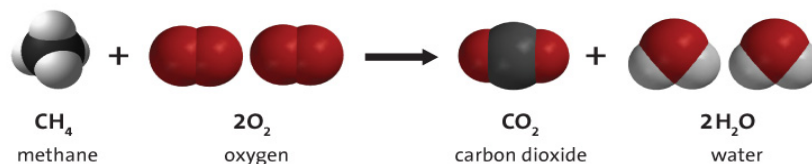
- This series works the same way as the Metal Series (higher replaces lower)



## Combustion Reactions

A **combustion reaction** occurs when a substance is reacted with oxygen. This reaction releases energy in the form of **heat and light**, as well as several oxides. Many things can undergo combustion, but most of the compounds that do are known as **Hydrocarbons**

- A **Hydrocarbon** is a compound made exclusively out of **Carbon** and **Hydrogen** (sometimes Oxygen)



Here is a table of common Hydrocarbons

Name	Formula	Use
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	Fuel for cooking
Ethane	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	Raw Material for plastics
Propane	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	Fuel for cooking
Butane	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>	Fuel in lighters
Acetylene (Ethyne)	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	Fuel for welding
Benzene	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	Common solvent

**Complete Combustions** reacts to produce the same products all the time: Carbon Dioxide & Water in plentiful oxygen

- General formula:  $C_xH_y + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$
- This will produce a **blue** flame , as there is plenty of oxygen for the reaction
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**Incomplete Combustions** reacts to produce the a variety of products:

Carbon Dioxide, Carbon Monoxide, Carbon (soot) & Water in limited oxygen

- General formula:  $C_xH_y + O_2 \rightarrow C_?H_? + CO_2 + CO + C + H_2O$  ( $C_?H_?$  represents various smaller hydrocarbons that result from incomplete combustion of the larger fuel source)
- This will produce a **yellow/orange** flame , as there is limited oxygen for the reaction

