## Chapter 5: Acid, bases and salts

#### Question, 1. Fill in the blanks

- (1) The chemical formula of red oxide is **Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>**.
- (2) The electrode connected to the negative terminal of a battery by means of a conducting wire is called a **cathode**
- (3) The electrode connected to the positive terminal of a battery is called an **anode**.
- (4) Aluminium oxide reacts with sodium hydroxide to form **sodium aluminate (NaAlO<sub>2</sub>)** and water.
- (5) Magnesium metal reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid and an inflammable gas, **hydrogen**, is formed.
- (6) pH 7 indicates a **neutral** solution
- (7) pH: power of hydrogen
- (8) The proportion of a solute in a solution is called the **concentration** of the solute in the solution.

#### Question, 2, Odd man out

- (1) Chloride, nitrate, hydride, ammonium. Hydride
- (2) Hydrogen chloride, sodium hydroxide, calcium oxide, ammonia.

#### **Ammonia**

- (c) Acetic acid, carbonic acid, hydrochloric acid, nitric acid. Acetic acid
- (d) Ammonium chloride, sodium chloride, potassium nitrate, sodium sulphate. **Ammonium chloride**
- (e) Sodium nitrate, sodium carbonate, sodium sulphate, sodium chloride.

#### Sodium chloride

- (f) Calcium oxide, magnesium oxide, zinc oxide, sodium oxide. Zinc oxide
- (g) Crystalline blue vitriol, crystalline common salt, crystalline ferrous sulphate, crystalline sodium carbonate. **Crystalline common salt (Sodium chloride)**
- (h) Sodium chloride, potassium hydroxide, acetic acid, sodium acetate.

#### Acetic acid

#### Question. 3. Answer in one sentence

## (1) What is strong acid?

**Answer:** On dissolving in water, a strong acid dissociates almost completely and the resulting aqueous solution contains mainly H+ ions and the concerned acidic radical.

## (2) What is strong base?

**Answer:** On dissolving in water, a strong base dissociates almost completely and the resulting aqueous solution contains mainly OHions and the concerned basic radicals.

#### (3) What is alkali?

**Answer:** The bases which are highly soluble in water are called alkali.

#### (4) What is weak acid?

**Answer:** On dissolving in water a weak acid does not dissociate completely. The resulting aqueous solution contains H+ ion and the concerned acidic radical in small proportion along with large proportion of the undissociated molecules of the acid.

#### (5) What is weak base?

**Answer:** On dissolving in water a weak base does not dissociate completely. The resulting aqueous solution contains a small proportion of OH- ions and the concerned basic radical along with a large proportion of undissociated molecules of the base.

#### (6) What is Basicity of acids?

**Answer:** The number of H+ ions obtainable by the dissociation of one molecule of an acid is called its basicity. **(7) What is Acidity of bases? Answer:** The number of OH- ions obtainable by the dissociation of one molecule of a base is called its acidity.

## Question. 4. Answer the following question.

## (1) What is concentration of acid and bases?

**Answer:** The concentration of acids and bases refers to the amount of acid or base dissolved in a given volume of solution. It is commonly expressed in terms of molarity (moles of solute per liter of solution), where a higher molarity means a stronger, more concentrated solution.

#### (2) What is universal indicator?

**Answer:** A universal indicator is a pH indicator composed of a mixture of dyes that change color gradually over a wide pH range (0-14), providing a visual indication of the acidity or alkalinity of a solution. It changes from red in strongly acidic solutions to violet in strongly basic solutions.

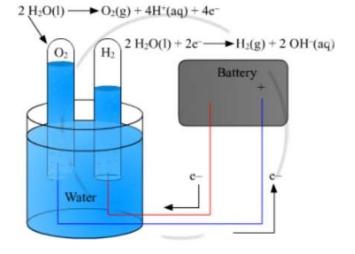
## (3) Explain water of crystallisaton?

**Answer:** Water of crystallization refers to the fixed number of water molecules chemically bound within the crystalline structure of a compound. These water molecules are necessary for the compound to maintain its crystalline shape. For example, copper sulfate pentahydrate (CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O) has five water molecules of crystallization.

# (4) Explain with diagram Electrolysis of water? Answer:

#### Setup:

- Electrolysis Cell: A container filled with water, usually mixed with a small amount of acid or base (such as sulfuric acid or sodium hydroxide) to increase the conductivity of water.
- 2. Electrodes: Two electrodes (an anode and a cathode) are placed in the water and connected to a power source (like a battery or DC power supply).
  - Anode (positive electrode):
     Oxygen gas is released here.
  - Cathode (negative electrode): Hydrogen gas is released here.
- 3. Power Supply: Provides the electrical current needed for electrolysis.
- 4. Water: Pure water has low conductivity, so an electrolyte (acid/base) is added.



#### Reaction:

The electrolysis of water decomposes it into hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) and oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) gases when an electric current is passed through the water.

The reactions at the electrodes are:

#### At the Cathode (Reduction):

Hydrogen ions (H<sup>+</sup>) gain electrons (reduction) to form hydrogen gas (H<sub>2</sub>).

 $2H_2O+2e^-\rightarrow H_2(g)+2OH^-$ 

#### At the Anode (Oxidation):

Water molecules lose electrons (oxidation) to form oxygen gas (O<sub>2</sub>) and hydrogen ions (H<sup>+</sup>).

 $2H_2O \rightarrow O_2(g) + 4H^+ + 4e^-$ 

## **Overall Reaction:**

 $2H_2O\rightarrow 2H_2(g)+O_2(g)$ 

Hydrogen gas (H<sub>2</sub>) is collected at the cathode.

Oxygen gas (O<sub>2</sub>) is collected at the anode

#### (5) Explain the Reaction of acids with metals.

**Answer:** When acids react with metals, they produce a salt and hydrogen gas. The general reaction is:

Acid+Metal→Salt+Hydrogen gas

For example, hydrochloric acid reacts with zinc to form zinc chloride and hydrogen gas:

 $2HCI+Zn \rightarrow ZnCI_2+H_2$ 

#### (6) Explain the Reaction of acids with oxides of metals.

**Answer:** Acids react with metal oxides to form salt and water. Metal oxides are basic in nature, so they neutralize acids in the following reaction:

Acid+Metal Oxide→Salt+Water

For example, hydrochloric acid reacts with copper oxide to form copper chloride and water:

2HCl+CuO→CuCl<sub>2</sub>+H<sub>2</sub>O

### (7) Explain the Reaction of bases with oxides of non-metals.

**Answer:** Bases react with non-metal oxides to form salts and water. Non-metal oxides are acidic in nature, and when they react with a base,

they neutralize each other:

Base+Non-metal Oxide→Salt+Water

For example, sodium hydroxide reacts with carbon dioxide to form sodium carbonate and water:

2NaOH+CO<sub>2</sub>→Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>+H<sub>2</sub>O