

Topic: Ionic and Covalent Compounds

Paraphrasing and summarising

A. Paraphrase the following text keeping in mind that:

- a. The length of your text should be approximately the same length as the original.**
- b. The meaning of your text should be the same as that of the original.**

"Several properties distinguish ionic compounds from covalent compounds. These may be related rather simply to the crystal structure of ionic compounds, namely, a lattice composed of positive and negative ions in such a way that the attractive forces between oppositely charged ions are maximized and the repulsive forces between ions of the same charge are minimized".

Huheey, J. E.; Keiter, R. L.; Keiter, E. A. *Inorganic Chemistry: Principles of Structure and Reactivity*, (4th ed.); HarperCollins: New York, 1993, p. 92.

B. Write a simple definition of an Ionic Compounds by using appropriate information from the following excerpt.

Excerpt 1

"Sodium chloride, an ionic compound, is a white solid with a melting point of 801 °C and a boiling point of 1465 °C. Hydrogen chloride, a covalent compound, is a colorless gas with a melting point of -115 °C and a boiling point of -84.9 °C. What accounts for such large differences in properties between ionic compounds and covalent compounds?

Ionic compounds are high-melting solids because of their ionic bonds... [A] visible sample of sodium chloride consists not of NaCl molecules but of a vast three-dimensional network of ions in which each Na⁺ cation is attracted to six surrounding Cl⁻ anions and each Cl⁻ ion is attracted to six surrounding Na⁺ ions. For sodium chloride to melt or boil so that the ions break free of one another, every ionic attraction in the entire crystal—the lattice energy—must be overcome, a process that requires a large amount of energy".

McMurry, J. E.; Fay, R. C. *Chemistry*, (6th ed.); Prentice Hall: Upper Saddle River, New Jersey, 2011, p. 219.