# Glossary

Section numbers are provided in parentheses.



- accuracy: the closeness of a measurement to an accepted value (1.2)
- acid: a substance that produces hydrogen ions in aqueous solutions (10.1)
- acid-base indicator: a substance, usually a weak monoprotic acid, that changes colour in acidic and basic solutions (10.3)
- activity series: a ranking of the relative reactivity of metals or halogens in aqueous reactions (4.3)
- actual yield: the measured quantity of product obtained in a chemical reaction (7.3)
- aliphatic hydrocarbons: hydrocarbons that consist of chains or non-aromatic rings; the carbon atoms are bonded to the maximum number of hydrogen or carbon atoms (13.3)
- **alkanes:** hydrocarbons that contain only carbon-carbon single bonds; general formula (13.3)
- alkenes: hydrocarbons that contain one or more carboncarbon double bond; general formula (13.3)
- alkynes: hydrocarbons that contain one or more carboncarbon triple bond; general formula (13.3)
- **alloys:** solid metallic solutions (8.1)
- alpha particle emission: a radioactive process that involves the loss of one alpha () particle (a helium nucleus, ); also called alpha decay (4.4)
- anhydrous: a term used to describe a compound that does not have any water molecules bonded to it; applies to compounds that can be hydrated (6.4)
- aqueous solution: a solution in which water is the solvent (8.1)
- **Arrhenius theory of acids and bases:** the theory stating that an acid is a substance that produces hydrogen ions in water and a base is a substance that produces hydroxide ions in water (10.1)
- atmosphere (atm): a unit of pressure; equal to 101.325 kPa (11.2)
- atom: the basic unit of an element, which still retains the element's properties (2.1)
- atomic mass unit (u): a unit of mass that is 1/12 of the mass of a carbon-12 atom; equal to (2.1)
- **atomic number (***Z***):** the unique number of protons in the nucleus of a particular element (2.1)
- atomic symbol: a one- or two-letter abbreviation of the name of an element; also called *element symbol* (2.1)

- average atomic mass: the average of the masses of all the isotopes of an element; given in atomic mass units (u) (5.1)
- **Avogadro constant ():** the experimentally-determined number of particles in 1 mol of a substance; the currently accepted value is (5.2)
- Avogadro's hypothesis: equal volumes of gases, at the same temperature and pressure, contain the same number of particles (12.1)



- **balanced chemical equation:** a statement that uses chemical formulas and coefficients to show the identity and quantity of the reactants and products involved in a chemical reaction (4.1)
- base: a substance that produces hydroxide ions in aqueous solutions (10.1)
- **benefit:** a desirable result of an action (14.4)
- beta decay: a nuclear reaction that results in the emission of a beta () particle (electron) from a nucleus (4.4)
- **binary acid:** an acid that is composed of two elements: hydrogen and a non-metal (10.2)
- binary compound: a compound that is composed of two elements (3.4)
- bomb calorimeter: a device that combusts a substance in pure oxygen in order to measure the heat of combustion of that substance (14.4)
- bond energy: the amount of energy that is produced or absorbed when a specific bond in a molecule is broken or formed; measured in kJ/mol (14.2)
- Boyle's law: the law stating that the volume of a given amount of gas varies inversely with the applied pressure, if the temperature is constant: (11.2)
- branched-chain alkane: an alkane with one or more side-chains that branch off the parent chain (13.3)
- Brønsted-Lowry theory of acids and bases: the theory defining an acid as a substance from which a hydrogen ion can be removed and a base as a substance that can remove a hydrogen ion from an acid (10.1)



- **calorie:** the amount of energy that is needed to raise the temperature of 1 g of liquid water by; equal to 4.184 J (14.4)
- Calorie: a unit of energy equal to one thousand calories (1 kcal = 1000 cal) or 4.184 kJ (14.4)

- calorimeter: a device that burns compounds containing carbon, hydrogen, and other elements in a stream of oxygen, , to determine their composition (14.4)
- calorimetry: the process of measuring changes in thermal energy (14.4)
- carbon-hydrogen combustion analyzer: a device that uses the combustion-enabling properties of to determine the composition of compounds containing carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen (6.4)
- cation: a positively charged ion (2.3)
- Charles' law: the law stating that the volume of a fixed mass of gas is directly proportional to its kelvin temperature, if the pressure remains constant: (11.3)
- chemical bond: the force that holds atoms together in compounds (3.1)
- chemical change: the type of change that occurs when elements and/or compounds interact with each other to form different substances with different properties; involves the rearrangement of atoms (1.3)
- chemical equation: a statement of what occurs in a chemical reaction; can be a word equation, a skeleton equation, or a balanced chemical equation (4.1)
- chemical formula: a representation, in atomic symbols and numerical subscripts, of the type and number of atoms that are present in a compound (3.4)
- chemical nomenclature: the system that is used to name chemical compounds (3.4)
- chemical property: a property of a substance that can only be observed as the substance changes into another substance (1.2)
- chemical reaction: a process in which a substance (or substances) changes, forming one or more different substances (4.1)
- chemistry: the study of matter, its composition, and its interactions (1.1)
- chlorofluorocarbon (CFC): a compound containing carbon, fluorine, and chlorine atoms that is chemically inert in the troposphere, but that is broken down by solar radiation in the stratosphere (12.4)
- cis-trans isomers: compounds that have the same formula but different arrangements of atoms around a fixed carbon-carbon double bond; also called geometric isomers (13.3)
- closed system: a system in which the total amount of matter remains constant; matter can neither enter nor leave this system (11.2)
- coefficient: in a balanced chemical equation, a positive number that is placed in front of a formula to show how many units of the substance are involved (4.1)
- combined gas law: a combination of Boyle's law and Charles' law, which states that the pressure and volume of a given amount of gas are inversely

- proportional, and directly proportional to the kelvin temperature of the gas: (11.4)
- combustion: the reaction of a substance with oxygen, producing oxides, heat, and light; burning (14)
- **common name:** a name for a compound that does not necessarily suggest anything about the chemical composition of the compound (e.g., water, baking soda); also called the trivial name (3.4)
- competing reaction: a reaction that occurs at the same time as a principal reaction and consumes the reactants and/or products of the principal reaction (7.3)
- complete combustion: combustion in which a hydrocarbon fuel is completely reacted in the presence of sufficient oxygen, producing only carbon dioxide gas and water vapour (14.1)
- complete combustion reaction: a synthesis reaction in which a compound burns in the presence of oxygen gas, forming the most common oxides of the elements in the compound (4.2)
- complete structural diagram: a symbolic representation of all the atoms in a molecule, showing how they are bonded (13.2)
- compound: a pure substance that is composed of two or more elements chemically combined in fixed proportions (1.3)
- concentration: the ratio of the amount of solute per quantity of solvent (8)
- condensation: a physical change from the gaseous state to the liquid state (11.1)
- condensed structural diagram: a symbolic representation of a compound, showing most atoms present, and the bonds between carbon atoms (13.2)
- **conjugate acid:** the particle that results when a base receives a proton (10.1)
- conjugate acid-base pair: two molecules or ions that are linked by the transfer of a proton (10.1)
- conjugate base: the particle that remains when a proton is removed from an acid (10.1)
- covalent bond: a chemical bond in which two electrons are shared by two atoms (3.1)
- **cracking:** the use of heat or catalysts, in the absence of air, to break down or rearrange large hydrocarbon molecules (13.4)
- cyclic hydrocarbon: a hydrocarbon that consists of one or more rings; can be a cycloalkane, a cycloalkene, or a cycloalkyne (13.3)



**Dalton's law of partial pressures:** the law stating that the total pressure of a mixture of gases is the sum of the pressures of each of the individual gases (11.4)

- decomposition reaction: a chemical reaction in which a compound breaks down into elements or simpler compounds (4.2)
- : a symbol used to indicate change in temperature (14.3)
- diatomic element: an atom of this element tends to bond with another atom of the same element, forming a molecule that contains two atoms (3.2)
- **diffraction grating:** a device that separates light into a spectrum (2.2)
- dipole: a distribution of molecular charge consisting of two opposite charges that are separated by a short distance (8.2)
- dipole-dipole attraction: the intermolecular force between oppositely charged ends of two polar molecules (molecules with dipoles) (8.2)
- diprotic acid: an acid that contains two hydrogen ions that can dissociate (10.2)
- double bond: a covalent bond in which two atoms share two pairs of electrons (3.2)
- double displacement reaction: a chemical reaction in which the cations of two ionic compounds exchange places, resulting in the formation of two new compounds (4.3)

- elastomer: a polymer that can be bent or twisted by an outside force; it will return to its previous shape once the force is removed (13.3)
- electrolyte: a solute that conducts a current in an aqueous solution (8.2)
- electron: a negatively charged subatomic particle that occupies the space around the nucleus of an atom (2.1)
- electron affinity: the change in energy that accompanies the addition of an electron to an atom in the gaseous state (2.3)
- electronegativity: a relative measure of an atom's ability to attract shared electrons in a chemical bond (3.1)
- **element:** a pure substance that cannot be broken down into smaller particles and retain the same properties (1.3)
- **empirical formula:** shows the lowest whole number ratio of atoms of each element in a compound (6.2)
- endothermic process: a process that absorbs thermal energy (14.2)
- end-point: the point in a titration when the acid-base indicator changes colour (10.3)
- energy level: fixed, three-dimensional volume in which electrons travel around the nucleus (2.2)
- equivalence point: the point in a titration when the number of moles of added solution is

- stoichiometrically equal to the number of moles of standard solution (10.3)
- exothermic process: a process that produces thermal energy (14.2)
- **expanded molecular formula:** a symbolic representation that shows the arrangement of atoms in a molecule (e.g., for propane, ) (13.2)

- forensic scientist: a scientist who uses specialized knowledge to analyze evidence in legal cases (6.3)
- fossil fuel: a fuel that is formed over geologic time by the action of pressure and heat on organic materials (e.g., petroleum, coal) (14)
- fractional distillation: a process that uses the specific boiling points of substances to refine a mixture into separate components (13.4)
- fraction: one component of a substance that has been refined by fractional distillation (13.4)
- fuel cell: a technology that produces energy by the reaction of hydrogen and oxygen, leaving water as a by-product (11.5)
- fusible plug: a safety device that melts at a high temperature to relieve gas pressure inside a container (11.3)

### G

- gamma radiation: a type of high-energy electromagnetic radiation in which gamma () photons are emitted from a nucleus (4.4)
- Gay-Lussac's law: the law stating that the pressure of a fixed amount of gas is directly proportional to its Kelvin temperature, if the volume is constant: (11.3)
- general solubility guidelines: a set of guidelines that characterize the solubility of substances in water (9.1)
- geometric isomers: compounds that have the same formula but different arrangements of atoms around a fixed carbon-carbon double bond; also called cistrans isomers (13.3)
- global warming: a gradual increase in the average temperature of Earth's atmosphere (14.5)
- greenhouse gas: a gas that prevents some of the heat produced by solar radiation from leaving the atmosphere (e.g., carbon dioxide) (14.5)

- hard water: water with a high concentration of dissolved ions (9.4)
- heat: energy that is transferred between objects with different temperatures (14.3)

- **heat capacity:** the amount of energy that is needed to change the temperature of a particular substance or system by; measured in (14.4)
- heat of combustion: the heat that is released by a combustion reaction; usually measured in kJ/mol (14.4)
- heat of solution: the change in the thermal energy when a solute dissolves in a solvent (14.4)
- heterogeneous mixture: a mixture in which the different components can be distinctly seen (1.3)
- homogeneous mixture: a mixture in which the different components are mixed so that they appear to be a single substance; a solution (1.3)
- homologous series: a series of molecules in which each member differs from the next by an additional specific structural unit (e.g.) (13.3)
- hydrate: a compound that has a specific number of water molecules bonded to each formula unit (6.4)
- hydrated: a term used to describe ions in aqueous solutions, surrounded by and attached to water molecules (8.2)
- **hydrocarbon:** a molecular compound that contains only hydrogen and carbon atoms (13)
- hydrogen bonding: the strong intermolecular attraction between molecules containing a hydrogen atom bonded to an atom of a highly electronegative element, especially oxygen (8.2)
- hydronium ion: a proton that is bonded to a water molecule; chemical formula (10.1)

- ideal gas: a hypothetical gas with particles that have mass but no volume or attractive forces between them (11.1)
- ideal gas law: the law stating that the pressure times the volume of a gas equals the number of moles of the gas times the universal gas constant and the temperature of the gas; (12.1)
- immiscible: a term used to describe substances that are not able to combine with each other in a solution (8.1)
- incomplete combustion: combustion in which insufficient oxygen prevents a hydrocarbon fuel from reacting completely, leaving products other than carbon dioxide gas and water vapour (4.2, 14.1)
- **insoluble:** a term used to describe a substance that has a solubility of less than 0.1 g per 100 mL in a particular solvent (8.1)
- intermolecular forces: the forces that exist between molecules (3.2)
- **International System of Units (SI):** the international system of measurement units, including units, including units such as the metre, the kilogram, and

- the mole; from the French Système international d'unités (1.2)
- **intramolecular forces:** the forces that bond atoms together within a molecule (e.g., covalent bonds) (3.2)
- ion: a positively or negatively charged particle that results from a neutral atom or group of atoms giving up or gaining electrons (2.2)
- ion-dipole attractions: the intermolecular forces between ions and polar molecules (8.2)
- ion exchange: a process for softening water by exchanging one type of ion with another (9.4)
- ionic bond: a bond between oppositely charged ions that arises from electron transfer; usually involves a metal atom and a non-metal atom (3.1)
- ionization energy: the energy that is needed to remove an electron from a neutral atom (2.3)
- isolated system: a system in which the total amount of matter and energy remains constant (14.4)
- isomers: compounds that have the same chemical formula but different molecular arrangements and properties (13.2)
- isotopes: atoms of an element that are chemically similar but have different numbers of neutrons and thus, different mass numbers (2.1)
- isotopic abundance: the relative amount of an isotope of an element; expressed as a percent or a decimal fraction (5.1)
- **IUPAC:** the acronym for *International Union of Pure* and Applied Chemistry, an organization that specifies rules for chemical names and symbols (3.4)

# Κ

- Kelvin scale: a temperature scale that begins at the theoretical point of absolute zero kinetic energy; each unit (a kelvin) is equal to (11.3)
- **kilopascal:** a unit of pressure equal to 1000 Pa (11.2)
- **kinetic molecular theory:** the theory explaining gas behaviour in terms of the random motion of particles with negligible volume and negligible intermolecular forces (11.1)

- law of combining volumes: the law stating that when gases react, the volumes of the gaseous reactants and products, at constant temperatures and pressures, are always in whole number ratios (12.1)
- law of conservation of mass: the law stating that matter can be neither created nor destroyed; in any chemical reaction, the mass of the products is always equal to the mass of the reactants (4.1)

- law of definite proportions: the law stating that the elements in a chemical compound are always present in the same proportions by mass (6.1)
- law of multiple proportions: the law stating that the masses of two or more elements that combine to form a compound can be expressed in small whole number ratios (12.1)
- Lewis structure: a symbolic representation of the arrangement of the valence electrons of an element (2.2)
- **limiting reactant:** the reactant that is completely consumed during a chemical reaction, limiting the amount of product produced (7.2)
- line structural diagram: a graphical representation of the bonds between carbon atoms in a hydrocarbon (13.2)
- lone pairs: pairs of electrons in an atom's outer valence shell that are not involved in covalent bonding (3.3)

# M

- mass/mass percent: the mass of a solute divided by the mass of the solution, expressed as a percent (8.3)
- **mass number (***A***):** the sum of the protons and neutrons in the nucleus of one atom of a particular element (2.1)
- mass percent: the mass of an element in a compound, expressed as a percent of the compound's total mass (6.1)
- mass spectrometer: an instrument that uses magnetic fields to separate the isotopes of an element and measure the mass and abundance of each isotope (5.1)
- mass/volume percent: the mass of a solute divided by the volume of the solution, expressed as a percent (8.3)
- matter: anything that has mass and occupies space (1.2) metathesis reaction: a double displacement reaction
- millimetre of mercury (mm Hg): a unit of pressure that is based on the height of a column of mercury in a barometer or manometer; equal to 1 torr (11.2)
- miscible: a term used to describe substances that are able to combine with each other in any proportion (8.1)
- mixture: a combination of two or more kinds of matter, in which each component retains its own characteristics (1.3)
- **molar concentration (***C***):** a unit of concentration expressed as the number of moles of solute present in one litre of solution; also called molarity (8.3)
- molar mass (M): the mass of 1 mol of a substance, numerically equal to the element's average atomic mass; expressed in g/mol (5.2)

- molar volume: the amount of space that is occupied by 1 mol of a substance; equal to 22.4 L for a gas at standard temperature and pressure (STP) (12.1)
- molecular compound: a non-conducting compound whose intramolecular bonds are not broken when the compound changes state (3.2)
- molecular formula: a formula that gives the actual number of atoms of each element in a molecule or formula unit (6.2)
- **mole (mol):** the SI base unit for amount of substance: contains the same number of atoms, molecules, or formula units as exactly 12 g of carbon-12 (5.2)
- mole ratio: a ratio that compares the number of moles of different substances in a balanced chemical equation
- monomer: a small, repeating molecular unit in a polymer chain (13.1)
- monoprotic acid: an acid that contains only one hydrogen ion that can dissociate (10.2)
- Montréal Protocol: an international agreement that limits the global use of CFCs and other ozonedestroying chemicals (12.4)

- net ionic equation: a representation of a chemical reaction in a solution that shows only the ions involved in the chemical change (9.2)
- **neutralization reaction:** a double displacement reaction in which an acid and a base combine to form water and a salt (4.3, 10.3)
- **neutron:** an uncharged subatomic particle in the nucleus of an atom (2.1)
- non-electrolyte: a solute that does not conduct a current in an aqueous solution (8.2)
- non-polar molecule: a covalently bonded molecule that does not possess a dipole moment, because of the arrangement of its molecules (3.3)
- nuclear equation: a symbolic representation of a nuclear reaction, showing how a nucleus gains or loses subatomic particles (4.4)
- nuclear fission: the process in which an unstable, heavy isotope splits into smaller, lighter nuclei (4.4)
- **nuclear fusion:** the process by which a nucleus absorbs lighter, accelerated nuclei (4.4)
- nuclear reaction: a reaction that involves changes in the nuclei of atoms (4.4)
- nucleus: the central core of an atom, composed of protons and neutrons (2.1)



octet: an arrangement of eight electrons in the valence shell of an atom (2.2)

- octet rule: the rule stating that atoms bond in such a way as to attain eight electrons in their valence shells (3.2)
- organic compound: a molecular compound based on carbon, almost always containing carbon-carbon and carbon-hydrogen bonds (13.1)
- oxoacid: an acid formed from a polyatomic ion that contains oxygen, hydrogen, and one other acid (10.2)

### Р

- parts per million/parts per billion: units of concentration used to express very small quantities of solute (8.3)
- **pascal:** the SI unit of pressure; equal to (11.2)
- percentage composition: the relative mass of each element in a compound (6.1)
- percentage purity: the percent of a sample that is composed of a specific compound or element (7.3)
- percentage yield: the actual yield of a reaction, expressed as a percent of the theoretical yield (7.3)
- **periodic table:** a system for organizing the elements by atomic number into groups (columns) and periods (rows), so that elements with similar properties are in the same column (2.2)
- **periodic trend:** a pattern that is evident when elements are organized by their atomic numbers (2.2)
- petrochemical: a product that is derived from petroleum
- petroleum: a complex mixture of solid, liquid, and gaseous hydrocarbons (13.1)
- **pH:** the negative logarithm of the concentration of hydronium ions, -log [], measured in mol/L (10.2)
- **pH scale:** a mathematical scale that is used to express the concentration of hydronium ions in a solution as a number from 0 to 14 (10.2)
- physical change: a change, such as change of state, that does not alter the composition of matter (1.3)
- physical property: a property of a substance that can be observed without the substance changing into or interacting with another substance (1.2)
- polar covalent bond: a covalent bond between atoms that have significantly different electronegativities, in which the electron pair is unevenly shared (3.3)
- polar molecule: a molecule that has an uneven distribution of charge; one end has a partial positive charge and one end has a partial negative charge (3.3)
- polyatomic ion: an ion that is made up of two or more atoms; it has a positive or negative charge (3.4)
- polymerization: a process, common in the plastics industry, in which polymers are formed by reacting monomers (13.3)

- **polymer:** a very long molecule that is formed by the covalent bonding of many smaller, identical molecular units (monomers) (13.1)
- potential energy: stored energy; the energy of an object due to its position (14.4)
- precipitate: an insoluble solid that is formed by a chemical reaction between two soluble compounds (4.3)(9.1)
- **precipitation reaction:** a double displacement reaction that forms a precipitate (9.2)
- precision: the closeness of a measurement to other measurements of the same object or phenomena (1.2)
- pressure: the force that is exerted on an object, per unit of surface area (11.2)
- pressure relief valve: a device that regulates the pressure of a gas inside a container (11.3)
- **product:** a substance that is formed by a chemical reaction (4.1)
- property: a characteristic that distinguishes different types of matter; (e.g., colour, melting or boiling point, conductivity, density) (1.2)
- proton: a positively charged subatomic particle in the nucleus of an atom (2.1)
- pure covalent bond: a chemical bond between two atoms with identical or nearly identical electronegativities (3.2)
- **pure substance:** a material that is composed of only one type of particle (e.g., iron, water, sodium chloride) (1.3)

### Q

- qualitative analysis: the process of separating and identifying ions in an aqueous solution (9.2)
- qualitative property: a property of matter that can be observed but cannot be precisely measured or expressed numerically (e.g., colour, odour) (1.2)
- quantitative property: a property of matter that can be measured and expressed numerically (e.g., density, boiling point) (1.2)

### R

- radioactivity: the process in which unstable nuclei spontaneously decay, releasing energy and subatomic particles (2.1)
- radioisotope: an unstable isotope of an element, which undergoes radioactive decay (2.1)
- rate of dissolving: the speed at which a solute dissolves in a solvent (8.2)
- reactant: a substance that undergoes a chemical change in a chemical reaction (4.1)

- reforming: the use of heat, pressure, and catalysts to convert a large hydrocarbon molecule into other compounds (13.4)
- risk: a potential danger; a chance of an undesirable consequence (14.4)
- risk-benefit analysis: a thoughtful assessment of both the positive and negative results that may be caused by a particular course of action (14.4)
- rotational motion: the motion of particles around other particles; characteristic of liquids (11.1)

# S

- salt: any ionic compound that is formed in a neutralization reaction from the anion of an acid and the cation of a base (10.3)
- saturated hydrocarbon: a hydrocarbon that consists of chains or non-aromatic rings, whose carbon atoms are bonded to the maximum number of hydrogen or carbon atoms (13.3)
- saturated solution: a solution in which no more of a particular solute can be dissolved at a specific temperature (8.1)
- SI: the international system of measurement units, including units such as the metre, the kilogram, and the mole; from the French Système international d'unités) (1.2)
- significant digits: the number of meaningful digits, including a final uncertain digit, that is obtained by measurement or used in calculations (1.2)
- single displacement reaction: a chemical reaction in which one element in a compound is replaced (displaced) by another element (4.3)
- **skeleton equation:** an equation that identifies the reactants and products in a chemical reaction by their chemical formulas but does not quantify them
- soft water: water with a low concentration of dissolved ions (9.4)
- solubility: the amount of solute that dissolves in a given quantity of solvent at a specific temperature (8.1)
- soluble: a term used to describe a substance that has a solubility greater than 1 g per 100 mL of a particular solvent (8.1)
- **solute:** a substance that is dissolved in a solution (8.1)
- solution: a homogeneous mixture of a solvent and one or more solutes (8.1)
- solvent: a substance that has other substances dissolved in it (8.1)
- specific heat capacity (c): the amount of energy (in J) required to change the temperature of 1 g of a substance by; measured in J/g • (14.3)
- spectator ions: ions that are present in a solution but are not involved in the chemical reaction (9.2)

- stable octet: an arrangement of eight electrons in the valence shell of an atom (2.2)
- standard ambient temperature and pressure (SATP): and 100 kPa (11.4)
- standard atmospheric pressure: 101.325 kPa at sea level and; the pressure that supports a column of mercury exactly 760 mm in height (11.2)
- **standard solution:** a solution of known concentration
- standard temperature: , the freezing point of water
- standard temperature and pressure (STP): and 101.325 kPa (11.4)
- Stock system: the current system for naming compounds that have elements that can have more than one valence; the valence of the first element name (usually a metal) in roman numerals in parentheses (e.g., copper(II)) (3.4)
- stoichiometric amount: the exact molar amounts of a reactant or a product, as predicted by a balanced chemical equation (7.2)
- **stoichiometric coefficient:** a number that is placed in front of the formula of the formula of a product or a reactant of a chemical equation to indicate how many moles are involved in the reaction (7.2)
- stoichiometry: the study of the mass-mole-number relationships in chemical reactions and formulas (7.1)
- straight-chain alkane: a hydrocarbon whose carbon atoms form a continuous chain of single carboncarbon bonds (13.3)
- strong acid: an acid that completely dissociates into ions in aqueous solutions (10.2)
- strong base: a base that completely dissociates into ions in aqueous solutions (10.2)
- structural diagram: a two-dimensional representation of the structure of a compound; can be a complete diagram, a condensed diagram, or a line diagram (13.2)
- structural model: a three-dimensional representation of the structure of a compound (13.2)
- STSE: an abbreviation for the interactions between science, technology, society, and the environment
- subatomic particle: one of the small particles (protons, neutrons, and electrons) that make up an atom (2.1)
- **sustainable development:** the use of resources in a way that meets our current needs, without jeopardizing the ability of other people, or future generations, to meet their needs (14.5)
- synthesis reaction: a chemical reaction in which two or more reactants combine to produce a single, different substance (4.2)

systematic name: a name that is based on the IUPAC rules for naming compounds (13.3)



- temperature: a measure of the average kinetic energy of a substance or a system (14.3)
- theoretical yield: the amount of product that is produced by a chemical reaction as predicted by the stoichiometry of the chemical equation (7.3)
- thermal energy: the kinetic energy of particles; the energy possessed by vibrating particles (14.3)
- thermal equilibrium: the state that is achieved when all the substances in a system have the same final temperature (14.4)
- thermochemical equation: an equation that shows the energy produced or absorbed in a reaction (14.2)
- **titration:** a laboratory process that is used to determine the concentration of a acidic or basic solution by reacting it with a solution of known concentration (10.3)
- torr: a unit of pressure; equal to 1 mm of mercury in the column of a barometer or manometer (11.2)
- total ionic equation: a form of chemical equation that shows dissociated ions of soluble ionic compounds (9.2)
- **translational motion:** the independent motion of particles from one point in space to another; characteristic of gases (11.1)
- triple bond: a covalent bond in which two atoms share three pairs of electrons (3.2)
- **trivial name:** a name for a compound that does not necessarily suggest anything about the chemical composition of the compound (e.g., water, baking soda); also called the common name (3.4)
- troposphere: the layer of the atmosphere that is closest to the surface of Earth (12.4)



- universal gas constant (R): a proportionality constant that relates pressure, temperature, volume, and amount of gas; equal to 8.31 kPa·L/mol·K (12.1)
- unsaturated hydrocarbon: a hydrocarbon that contains carbon-carbon double or triple bonds; the carbon atoms can potentially bond to additional atoms (13.3)
- unsaturated solution: a solution in which more of a particular solute can be dissolved at a specific temperature (8.1)



- valence: a number, positive or negative, that describes the bonding capacity of an element or ion (3.4)
- valence electron: an electron that occupies the outermost energy level of an atom (2.2)
- variable composition: a term used to describe a solution; capable of having different ratios of solutes
- vibrational motion: the motion of particles that are fixed in position; a characteristic of solids (11.1)
- volumetric flask: a flat-bottomed, tapered glass vessel that is used to prepare standard solutions; accurate to
- **volume/volume percent:** the volume of a liquid solute divided by the volume of the solution, expressed as a percent (8.3)



- waste-water treatment: the cleaning of used water by physical, chemical, and biological processes (9.4)
- water treatment: the process of removing chemical, biological, and physical contaminants to make water suitable for consumption (9.4)
- weak acid: an acid that only slightly dissociates into ions in aqueous solutions (10.2)
- weak base: a base that only slightly dissociates into ions in aqueous solutions (10.2)
- weighted average: an average that takes into account the abundance or importance of each value (5.3)
- word equation: an equation that identifies the reactants and products of a chemical reaction by name, but does not specify their amounts (4.1)



**zero sum rule:** the rule stating that for chemical formulas of neutral compounds involving ions, the sum of positive valences and negative valences must equal zero (3.4)