6.1 Types of Chemical Reactions: Synthesis



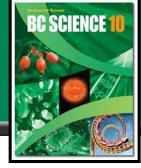
- Synthesis reactions are also known as formation reactions.
 - Two or more reactants (usually elements) join to form a compound.
 - A + B → AB where A and B represent elements
 - The elements may form ionic compounds, like the following:
 - Sodium metal and chlorine gas combine to form sodium chloride.
 - $2Na + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2NaCl$
 - Magnesium metal reacts with oxygen gas to form magnesium oxide.
 - $2Mg + O_2 \rightarrow 2MgO$





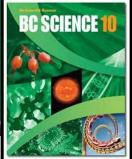
Sodium added to chlorine gas

- Or the elements may form covalent compounds, like the following:
- Nitrogen gas and oxygen gas join to form dinitrogen monoxide.
- $2N_2 + O_2 \rightarrow 2N_2O$



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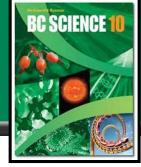
Types of Chemical Reactions: Decomposition



- Decomposition reactions are the opposite of synthesis reactions.
 - A compounds breaks down into two or more products (often elements).
 - AB → A + B where A and B represent elements
 - Ionic compounds may decompose to produce elements, like the following:
 - Table salt, sodium chloride, can be broken down into sodium metal and chlorine gas by melting salt at 800°C and running electricity through it.
 - $2NaCl \rightarrow 2Na + Cl_2$
 - Or covalent compounds may decompose into elements, like the following:
 - By running electricity through water, the water molecules decompose into hydrogen and oxygen gases.
 - $2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2 + O_2$

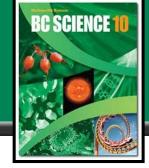


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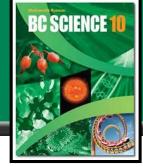


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Types of Chemical Reactions: Single Replacement



- Single replacement reactions replace one element from a compound with a separate element added as a reactant.
 - A compound and an element react, and the element switches places with part of the original compound.
 - A + BC → B + AC where A is a metal, or
 - A + BC → C + BA where A is a non-metal
 - When A is a metal:
 - Aluminum foil in a solution of copper(II) chloride produces solid copper and aluminum chloride.
 - $2Al + 3CuCl_2 \rightarrow 3Cu + 2AlCl_3$
 - When A is a non-metal:
 - When fluorine is bubbled through a sodium iodide solution, iodine and sodium fluoride are produced.
 - $F_2 + 2NaI \rightarrow I_2 + 2NaF$



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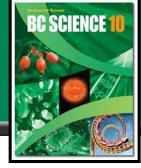
Types of Chemical Reactions: Double Replacement



- Double replacement reactions swap elements between twocompounds reacting together to form two new compounds.
 - Two compounds react, with elements switching places between the original compounds.
 - Two solutions react to form a precipitate (ppt, solid) and another solution
 - Ionic solution + ionic solution → ionic solution + ionic solid
 - AB + CD \rightarrow AD + CB
 - When potassium chromate and silver nitrate react, they form a red precipitate, silver chromate, in a solution of potassium nitrate.
 - $K_2CrO_4 + 2AgNO_3 \rightarrow Ag_2CrO_4 + 2KNO_3$

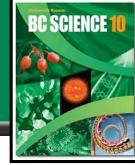


silver chromate



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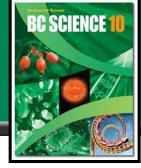
Types of Chemical Reactions: Combustion



- Combustion reactions occur when a compound or element react with oxygen to release energy and produce an oxide.
 - Also sometimes referred to as hydrocarbon combustion.
 - $C_XH_Y + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$ where X and Y represent integers
 - Natural gas (methane) is burned in furnaces to heat homes.
 - $CH_4 + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2H_2O$
 - An acetylene torch is used to weld metals together.
 - $2C_2H_2 + 5O_2 \rightarrow 4CO_2 + 2H_2O$
 - Carbohydrates like glucose combine with oxygen in our body to release energy.
 - $C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 \rightarrow 6CO_2 + 6H_2O$



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