

Balancing Equations

- 2 Which of the following reactions are redox reactions?
 - 1 $CuSO_4 + Zn \rightarrow Cu + ZnSO_4$
 - 2 HCl + NaOH → NaCl + H₂O
 - 3 $Mg + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow MgSO_4 + H_2$
 - 4 $Pb(NO_3)_2 + 2KI \rightarrow PbI_2 + 2KNO_3$
 - A 1 and 2 only
 - B 1 and 3 only
 - C 1 and 4 only
 - D 2 and 3 only
 - E 2 and 4 only
 - F 3 and 4 only

2014

10 Methanol can be oxidised by hydrogen peroxide to produce carbon dioxide and water.

$$aCH_3OH + 3H_2O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + bH_2O$$

What is the value of b when this equation is balanced?

- **A** 3
- B 4
- **C** 5
- **D** 6
- **E** 7

2014

10 Inorganic builders are put into detergents to act as a buffer, i.e. to keep the pH close to 7. Sodium tripolyphosphate is a major one used. The equation for its formation is shown below:

$$aNaH_2PO_4 + bNa_2HPO_4 \rightarrow cNa_5P_3O_{10} + dH_2O$$

What are the values of a, b, c and d?

- A 3, 1, 1, 3
- **B** 6, 2, 2, 7
- C 2, 4, 2, 2
- **D** 1, 2, 1, 2
- E 2, 2, 1, 2





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22 By using standard techniques to balance chemical equations and ensuring that the net charge is equal on both sides, find the correct value for 'e' in the balanced equation below:

 $a C_2 H_4 O(aq) + Cr_2 O_7^{2-}(aq) + b H^+(aq) \rightarrow c C_2 H_4 O_2(aq) + d Cr^{3+}(aq) + e H_2 O(1)$

- Δ
- **B** 2
- C 4
- **D** 6
- **E** 8

2013

18 Nitrogen Monoxide is prepared by reacting copper with nitric acid.

What should the values of a, b, x and y be in order to balance the following equation?

$$aCu + bHNO_3 \rightarrow xCu (NO_3)_2 + yH_2O + 2NO$$

- **A** a = 2, b = 4, x = 2, y = 2
- **B** a = 6, b = 16, x = 6, y = 8
- C a = 1, b = 4, x = 1, y = 2
- **D** a = 4, b = 10, x = 4, y = 5
- **E** a = 3, b = 8, x = 3, y = 4

2011

- 26 An impurity in petroleum is dimethylsulphide, CH₃SCH₃. When dimethylsulphide is burnt in an excess of air, which one of the following balanced equations represents the reaction that takes place?
 - A $CH_3SCH_3 + 3O_2 \rightarrow 2CO_2 + 2H_2O + H_2S$
 - B $2CH_3SCH_3 + 7O_2 \rightarrow 4CO_2 + 6H_2O + 2S$
 - C $4CH_3SCH_3 + 12O_2 \rightarrow 6CO_2 + 12H_2O + 2CS_2$
 - D $2CH_3SCH_3 + 7O_2 \rightarrow 4CO + 6H_2O + 2SO_2$
 - E $2CH_3SCH_3 + 9O_2 \rightarrow 4CO_2 + 6H_2O + 2SO_2$





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- 14 Which of the following ionic equations are correct?
 - 1 $X^+ + e^- \rightarrow X$
 - $\mathbf{2} \quad X^{-} e^{-} \rightarrow X$
 - $0^{2-} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow 0$
 - 4 $O^{2-} e^{-} \rightarrow O_2$
 - 5 21 2e → 1
 - 6 $Ca^{2+} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Ca$
 - A 1, 2 and 6
 - **B** 1, 3 and 5
 - C 1, 4 and 5
 - D 2, 3 and 6
 - E 2, 4 and 5
 - F 3, 4 and 6

2010

14 The order of reactivity of four elements is J>M>Q>T i.e. J is the most reactive and T the least reactive.

A series of reactions are given below:

- 1 $MCl_2 + T \rightarrow TCl_2 + M$
- $2 \qquad MSO_4 \, + \, J \quad \rightarrow \quad JSO_4 \, + \, M$
- $3 \qquad \text{TO} \ + \ \text{Q} \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{QO} \ + \ \text{T}$
- 4 $QO + J \rightarrow JO + Q$
- 5 $JSO_4 + T \rightarrow TSO_4 + J$
- $6 \qquad MO + Q \quad \rightarrow \quad QO + M$

Which three reactions could take place?

- A 1, 2 and 3
- B 2, 3 and 4
- C 4, 5 and 6
- D 1, 4 and 6





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18 The equation for the preparation of nitrogen monoxide is:

a Cu + b HNO₃ \longrightarrow a Cu (NO₃)₂ + c H₂O + 2NO

What is the value of b?

- 4
- B 4
- C
- D 8
- **E** 12
- F 16