

**Class X Science**

# **Chemical Reactions And Equations**

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**Change** : A change is the process in which the final state of a substance differ from its initial or original point



## Classification Of Change

**PHYSICAL CHANGE**



**CHEMICAL CHANGE**



## Physical Change

Shape / Size / Physical Change e.g melting of chocolate , or ice



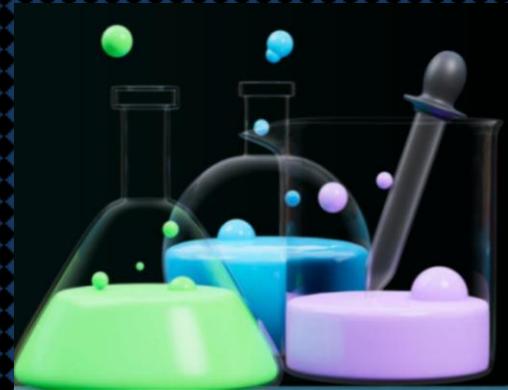
## Chemical Change

Compostion Change along with a change of shape /size/state e.g rusting of iron, or wood



Q. Which of the following is a "Chemical Change"?

- (A) Melting of ice into water.
- (B) Dissolving sugar in water.
- (C) Digestion of food in our stomach.
- (D) Cutting a piece of paper into small bits.



# CHEMICAL REACTIONS

A **chemical reaction** is a process in which one or more substances (called **reactants**) undergo a transformation to form one or more new substances (called **products**) with entirely different chemical properties.

## CHEMICAL EQUATIONS

A symbolic representation of a chemical reaction using symbols and formulas.

For eg: Hydrogen ( $\text{H}_2$ ) + Oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ )  $\rightarrow$  Water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )

# Characteristics of Chemical Reactions

1. Evolution of a Gas
2. Formation of a Precipitate
3. Change in Color
4. Change in Temperature :-  
Exothermic (Heat is released)  
Endothermic (Heat is absorbed)
5. Change in State



## REPRESENTING CHEMICAL REACTION

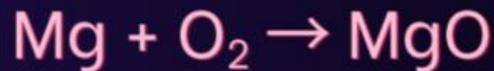
When heated in oxygen, magnesium burns with a bright white flame, forming white magnesium oxide powder.

**Reactants:** Substances that undergo a chemical change.

**Products:** Substances formed as a result of the chemical change.

### WORD REACTION

Magnesium + Oxygen  $\rightarrow$  Magnesium Oxide



Shorter way of  
representing a  
chemical reaction

## NAME AND SYMBOLS OF SOME IONS

Vale- ncy	Name of ion	Symbol	Non- metallic element	Symbol	Polyatomic ions	Symbol
1.	Sodium	$\text{Na}^+$	Hydrogen	$\text{H}^+$	Ammonium	$\text{NH}_4^+$
	Potassium	$\text{K}^+$	Hydride	$\text{H}^-$	Hydroxide	$\text{OH}^-$
	Silver	$\text{Ag}^+$	Chloride	$\text{Cl}^-$	Nitrate	$\text{NO}_3^-$
	Copper (I)*	$\text{Cu}^+$	Bromide	$\text{Br}^-$	Hydrogen carbonate	$\text{HCO}_3^-$
			Iodide	$\text{I}^-$		
2.	Magnesium	$\text{Mg}^{2+}$	Oxide	$\text{O}^{2-}$	Carbonate	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$
	Calcium	$\text{Ca}^{2+}$	Sulphide	$\text{S}^{2-}$	Sulphite	$\text{SO}_3^{2-}$
	Zinc	$\text{Zn}^{2+}$			Sulphate	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
	Iron (II)*	$\text{Fe}^{2+}$				
	Copper (II)*	$\text{Cu}^{2+}$				
3.	Aluminium	$\text{Al}^{3+}$	Nitride	$\text{N}^{3-}$	Phosphate	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$
	Iron (III)*	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$				

**Lead (II)  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  , Barium  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$**

# BALANCING CHEMICAL REACTION

A balanced chemical equation is one where the number of atoms of each element is equal on both the reactant and product sides.

**Law of Conservation of Mass**, which states that mass can neither be created nor destroyed in a chemical reaction.

Example: Formation of Water

Unbalanced Equation:



- **Left Side (Reactants):** 2 Hydrogen, 2 Oxygen
- **Right Side (Products):** 2 Hydrogen, 1 Oxygen  
(Oxygen is not balanced)

## How to Balance an Equation

To balance an equation, we use **coefficients** (the numbers placed *in front* of a chemical formula). We **never** change the subscripts (the small numbers within a formula), as that would change the substance itself.

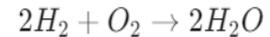
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Unbalanced Equation:



- **Left Side (Reactants):** 2 Hydrogen, 2 Oxygen
- **Right Side (Products):** 2 Hydrogen, 1 Oxygen  
(Oxygen is not balanced)

Balanced Equation:



- **Left Side:** 4 Hydrogen, 2 Oxygen
- **Right Side:** 4 Hydrogen, 2 Oxygen  
(Everything is now equal!)

## Steps to Balance (Hit and Trial Method)

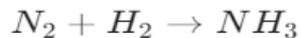
1. **Count the Atoms:** List how many atoms of each element are on the reactant and product sides.
2. **Balance the Biggest Molecule:** Start with the compound that has the maximum number of atoms.
3. **Use Coefficients:** Add numbers in front of formulas to multiply the atom counts.
4. **Check Your Work:** Re-count all atoms to make sure the LHS (Left Hand Side) equals the RHS (Right Hand Side).

## Why do we balance?

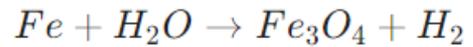
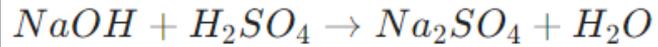
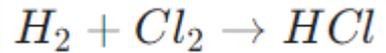
If an equation is not balanced, it implies that atoms disappeared or appeared out of nowhere, which is physically impossible. Balancing makes the equation a true "map" of what happens during the reaction.

### Practice Question for You:

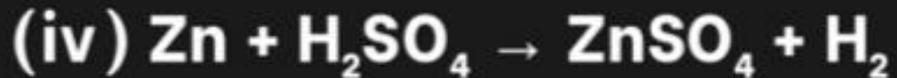
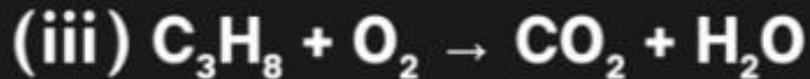
Can you try to balance this one?



**Hint:** Start by looking at the Nitrogen (*N*) atoms!

**Q. Balance These**

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Q. In the following chemical equation, the values of x, y, and z respectively are:



- (a) 6, 2, 2
- (b) 4, 1, 2
- (c) 4, 2, 1
- (d) 2, 2, 1

→ Comment



# TYPES OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS

**Combination  
reaction**

**Decomposition  
reaction**

**Displacement  
reaction**

**Double-Displacement  
reaction**



# Combination Reactions

A **Combination Reaction** is a type of chemical reaction where **two or more reactants** combine to form a **single product**.

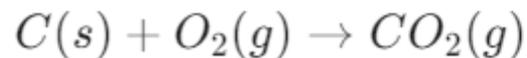
*Reactant 1 + Reactant 2 → Single Product*



## Key Examples (Class 10 Important)

### 1. Burning of Coal:

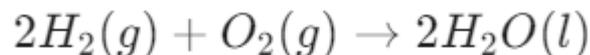
When carbon (coal) burns in the presence of oxygen, it forms carbon dioxide gas.



## Some More Examples

### Formation of Water:

Hydrogen gas and oxygen gas combine to form liquid water.



### Slaking of Lime (Highly Important):

When water is added to Quicklime (Calcium Oxide), it reacts vigorously to form Slaked Lime (Calcium Hydroxide) and releases a large amount of heat.



(Note: This is also an **Exothermic Reaction** because heat is produced).

# Exothermic Reaction

An **Exothermic Reaction** is a chemical reaction in which energy is released in the form of heat or light.

## Top Examples for Class 10

### Burning of Natural Gas (Methane):

When methane burns in oxygen, it produces carbon dioxide, water, and a large amount of heat.



### Respiration (Very Important):

Respiration is considered an exothermic reaction because glucose reacts with oxygen in our cells to release energy that our body needs to function.



## Endothermic Reactions

An **Endothermic Reaction** is a chemical reaction in which energy is **absorbed** from the surroundings, usually in the form of heat, light, or electricity.

### Key Examples for Class 10

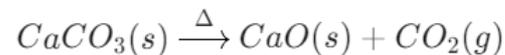
#### Photosynthesis (Most Important):

Plants absorb sunlight (energy) to convert carbon dioxide and water into glucose and oxygen.



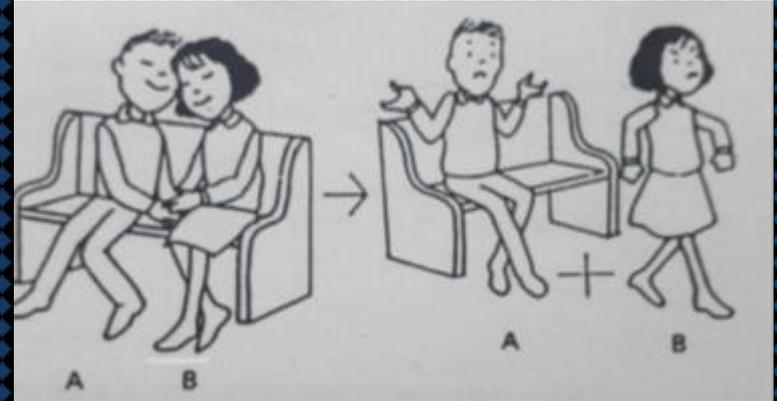
#### Decomposition of Calcium Carbonate:

When limestone is heated, it breaks down into quicklime and carbon dioxide. It won't happen without constant heating.



## Decomposition Reaction

A **Decomposition Reaction** is a chemical reaction in which a **single reactant** breaks down into **two or more simpler products**.



# TYPES OF DECOMPOSITION REACTION

Thermolysis



Electrolysis



Photolysis



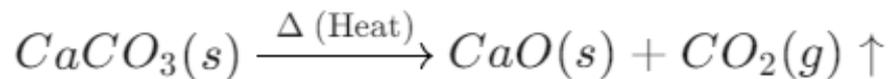
# 1. THERMOLYTIC DECOMPOSITION

A compound breaks down into simpler substances when **heated**.



## The Reaction

When Calcium Carbonate ( $CaCO_3$ ), also known as **Limestone**, is heated strongly, it decomposes into **Calcium Oxide** ( $CaO$ ), also known as **Quicklime**, and **Carbon Dioxide gas** ( $CO_2$ ).



## Key Observations

1. **State Change:** The solid limestone stays solid (as quicklime), but a gas ( $CO_2$ ) is released.
2. **Nature of Reaction:** It is an **Endothermic Reaction** because it continuously absorbs heat energy to proceed.
3. **Testing the Gas:** If you pass the evolved gas ( $CO_2$ ) through **Limewater** (Calcium Hydroxide), the limewater turns **milky** due to the formation of insoluble Calcium Carbonate.

## Industrial Importance

This specific reaction is very important in industries:

- **Cement Industry:** Calcium Oxide ( $CaO$ ) produced from this reaction is a primary ingredient in the manufacturing of cement.
- **Glass and Steel:** It is also used in the production of glass and as a flux in steel making.

**Q. On heating  $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ , the products formed are:**

- (a)  $\text{PbO} + \text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_2$**
- (b)  $\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{N}_2 + \text{O}_2$**
- (c)  $\text{PbO}_2 + \text{NO} + \text{O}_2$**
- (d)  $\text{PbO} + \text{N}_2 + \text{O}_2$**



## 2. ELECTROLYTIC DECOMPOSITION

An **electric current** is used to decompose or break down compounds into their constituent elements or ions.

**Observation:** Bubbles form at both electrodes, displacing water.

- Volume of gas at cathode (negative electrode) is double the volume at anode (positive electrode).

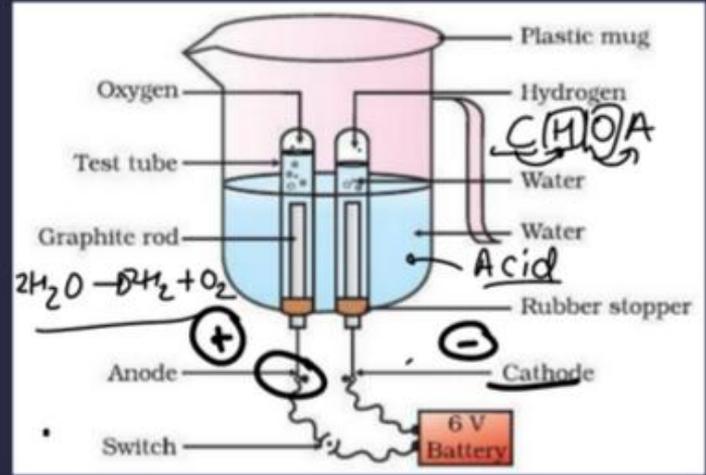
**Testing the gases:**

- Gas at cathode supports burning → Hydrogen gas ( $H_2$ ).
- Gas at anode rekindles a glowing splint → Oxygen gas ( $O_2$ ).

**Conclusion:** Water decomposes into hydrogen and oxygen.

The ratio of  $H_2$  to  $O_2$  collected = 2:1. Volume / Mass

Reaction:  $2H_2O(l) \rightarrow 2H_2(g) + 1O_2(g)$



# Photolytic Decomposition

**Photolytic Decomposition** (also known as **Photolysis**) is a type of decomposition reaction that occurs when a single substance breaks down into two or more simpler substances by absorbing **light energy** (usually sunlight).

## 1. Most Important Examples (Class 10)

### A. Decomposition of Silver Chloride ( $AgCl$ )

When white Silver Chloride is kept in a china dish under sunlight for some time, it turns **grey**.

This is because it decomposes into Silver metal and Chlorine gas.

- **Reaction:**  $2AgCl(s) \xrightarrow{\text{Sunlight}} 2Ag(s) + Cl_2(g)$
- **Observation:** The white color changes to grey.

# Displacement Reaction

A **Displacement Reaction** is a chemical reaction in which a **more reactive element** displaces (removes) a **less reactive element** from its compound or salt solution.

Think of it like a stronger player replacing a weaker player in a team.

## 1. General Form



(Where A is more reactive than B)



# Reactivity Series

Potassium  
Sodium  
Calcium  
Magnesium  
Aluminium  
Zinc  
Iron  
Lead  
Hydrogen  
Copper  
Silver  
Gold

Please  
Stop  
Calling  
Me  
A  
Zebra  
I  
Like  
Him  
Calling  
Smart  
Goat



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# Double Displacement Reaction

A **Double Displacement Reaction** is a type of chemical reaction where two compounds react by an **exchange of ions** to form two new compounds.

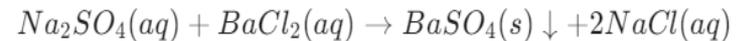


## 2. Most Important Example (Class 10)

### Reaction between Sodium Sulphate and Barium Chloride:

When you mix a solution of Sodium Sulphate ( $Na_2SO_4$ ) with Barium Chloride ( $BaCl_2$ ), a white insoluble substance is formed instantaneously.

- **Equation:**



- **Observation:** A **white precipitate** of Barium Sulphate ( $Ba_4$ ) is formed.
- **Explanation:** The  $Ba^{2+}$  ions react with  $SO_4^{2-}$  ions to form the white solid.

# Practice Question

## Practice Question

**Scenario:** A student mixes a solution of **Sodium Sulphate** ( $Na_2SO_4$ ) with a solution of **Barium Chloride** ( $BaCl_2$ ) in a test tube.

### Questions:

1. **Observation:** What will the student observe immediately after mixing the two solutions?
2. **Product Name:** Identify the white substance formed during the reaction.
3. **Chemical Equation:** Write the balanced chemical equation for this reaction, including physical states.
4. **Reaction Type:** Why is this reaction also called a **Precipitation Reaction**?

Q. Write the balanced chemical equation when barium chloride reacts with sodium sulphate.



**Q. Consider the following chemical equations I and II:**

- $\text{Mg} + 2\text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2 + \text{H}_2$
- $\text{NaOH} + \text{HCl} \rightarrow \text{NaCl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

**The correct statement about these equations is:**

- (A) 'I' is a displacement reaction and 'II' is a decomposition reaction.
- (B) 'I' is a displacement reaction and 'II' is a double displacement reaction.
- (C) Both 'I' and 'II' are displacement reactions.
- (D) Both 'I' and 'II' are double displacement reactions.

**SOCHO!**



# Oxidation

**Oxidation** can be defined in two main ways: based on oxygen/hydrogen exchange (classical view) or based on electron transfer (modern view).

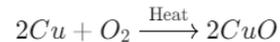
## 1. Classical Definition

Oxidation is a process which involves:

- The addition of Oxygen to a substance.
- The removal of Hydrogen from a substance.

### Example: Addition of Oxygen

When Copper powder is heated in a china dish, it reacts with oxygen in the air to form a black coating of Copper(II) Oxide.



In this reaction, Copper ( $Cu$ ) is **oxidized** to Copper Oxide ( $CuO$ ) because oxygen is added to it.

# Reduction

**Reduction** is the exact opposite of oxidation. Like oxidation, it can be defined in two ways: through the gain/loss of oxygen and hydrogen, or through the movement of electrons.

## 1. Classical Definition

Reduction is a process that involves:

- The addition of Hydrogen to a substance.
- The removal of Oxygen from a substance.

### Example: Removal of Oxygen

When hydrogen gas is passed over heated black Copper Oxide, the black coating turns reddish-brown as it changes back into copper.



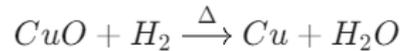
In this reaction, Copper Oxide ( $CuO$ ) is **reduced** to Copper ( $Cu$ ) because oxygen is removed from it.

# Redox

A **Redox Reaction** is a chemical reaction in which **Reduction** and **Oxidation** take place simultaneously. The name "Redox" itself is a combination of **Reduction** and **Oxidation**.

## 1. Identifying Redox (Oxygen/Hydrogen Method)

Let's look at the classic example used in Class 10: The reaction between Copper Oxide and Hydrogen gas.



- **Oxidation:** Hydrogen ( $H_2$ ) gains oxygen to become  $H_2O$ . Therefore,  $H_2$  is **oxidized**.
- **Reduction:** Copper Oxide ( $CuO$ ) loses oxygen to become  $Cu$ . Therefore,  $CuO$  is **reduced**.

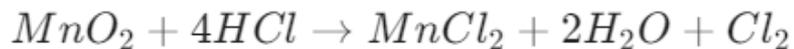
## Reaction of Copper Powder with Oxygen

- ◆ **Aim:** To observe the oxidation of copper when heated.
- ◆ **Observation:** Copper powder (reddish-brown) turns black on heating. Black layer of CuO (copper oxide) forms.
- ◆ **Conclusion:** Copper undergoes oxidation, forming CuO. This is an exothermic reaction (heat is released).
- ◆ **Reaction:**  $2\text{Cu} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{CuO}$



### Practice Question

Identify the following in the reaction given below:



1. Which substance is **oxidized**?
2. Which substance is **reduced**?
3. Which one is the **oxidizing agent**?
4. Which one is the **reducing agent**?

# Corrosion

**Corrosion** is a natural process where metals are gradually destroyed by the action of air, moisture, or chemicals (like acids) on their surface.

Chemically, it is an **oxidation reaction** where the metal loses electrons to oxygen in the environment.



## 1. Common Examples of Corrosion

- **Rusting of Iron:** When iron is exposed to moist air for a long time, it acquires a coating of a brown flaky substance called **rust**.
  - **Formula for Rust:**  $Fe_2O_3 \cdot xH_2O$  (Hydrated Ferric Oxide)
  - **Condition:** Both **Oxygen** and **Water** are essential for rusting.
- **Tarnishing of Silver:**

Silver articles become **black** after some time when exposed to air. This is because silver reacts with Sulphur in the air to form a coating of Silver Sulphide.

  - **Equation:**  $2Ag + H_2S \rightarrow Ag_2S \text{ (Black)} + H_2$



## PREVENTING CORROSION



Painting



Greasing or  
oiling



Alloying

Metals after corrosion  
prevention be like:



# Rancidity

**Rancidity** is the process of complete or incomplete oxidation of fats and oils when they are exposed to air, light, or moisture.

## How to identify Rancidity?

**Unpleasant Smell:** The food starts smelling "off" or sour.

**Bad Taste:** The taste becomes stale or bitter.

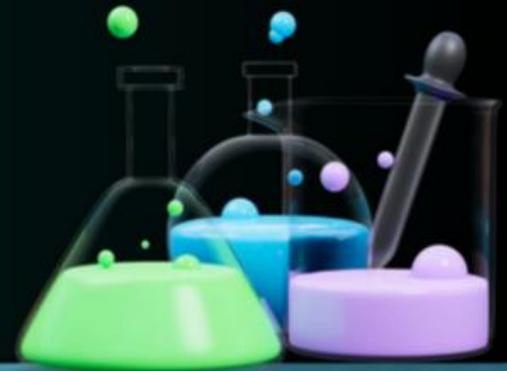
**Color Change:** In some cases, the physical appearance or color of the food might change.

## 2. Prevention of Rancidity

Since rancidity is caused by oxidation, we can prevent it by stopping oxygen from reaching the food:

- **Adding Antioxidants:** These are substances that prevent oxidation. They are often added to foods containing fats and oils (e.g., BHA and BHT).
- **Vacuum Packing:** Removing all air from the packaging before sealing it.
- **Nitrogen Flushing:** This is why your chips packets are always "full of air." Manufacturers flush the bags with **Nitrogen gas**. Nitrogen is an inert gas that prevents the chips from coming into contact with oxygen, keeping them fresh and crunchy.
- **Refrigeration:** Storing food at low temperatures slows down the rate of oxidation.
- **Airtight Containers:** Using sealed containers reduces the amount of fresh oxygen available to react with the food.
- **Storing away from Light:** Keeping food in dark places or opaque containers slows down the photolytic oxidation of fats.

**Q. What is corrosion? Write one example. Mention two methods to prevent corrosion.**



**Q. Assertion (A): Iron articles rust in the presence of air and moisture.**

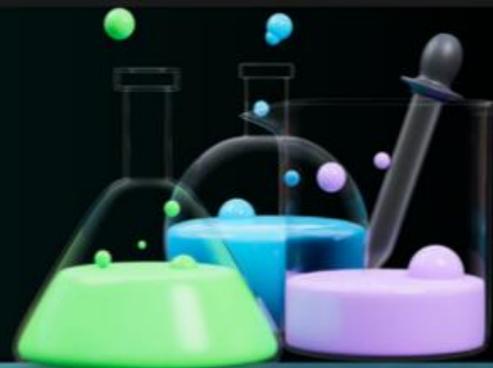
**Reason (R): Rust is hydrated ferric oxide.**

**(A) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).**

**(B) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).**

**(C) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.**

**(D) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.**



Thank You Bachooo.....

*"In the chemistry of life, be the reactant that starts amazing transformations!"*