# Atoms and Molecules Class 9 GSEB Solutions Science Chapter 3

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Q1. In a reaction, 5.3 g of sodium carbonate reacted with 6 g of ethanoic acid. The products were 2.2 g of carbon dioxide, 0.9 g water and 8.2 g of sodium ethanoate. Show that these observations are in agreement with the law of conservation of mass. Sodium carbonate ethanoic acid  $\rightarrow$  sodium ethanoate carbon dioxide water Ans:

 $\begin{array}{rcl} 2CH_{3}COOH &+& Na_{2}CO_{3} &\longrightarrow& 2CH_{3}COONa + CO_{2} + H_{2}O\\ \hline Sodium \ carbonate \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{rcl} Mass \ of \ reactants = 5.3 \ g + 6 \ g = 11.3 \ g\\ Mass \ of \ reactants = 2.2 \ g + 0.9 \ g + 8.2 \ g = 11.3 \ g\\ Mass \ of \ reactants = Mass \ of \ products \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{rcl} Therefore, \ the \ law \ of \ conservation \ of \ mass \ is \ proven. \end{array}$ 



Law of Conservation of Mass Example

Q2. Hydrogen and oxygen combine in the ratio of 1 : 8 by mass to form water. What mass of oxygen gas would be required to react completely with 3g of hydrogen gas? Ans: Since hydrogen and oxygen combine in the ratio of 1:8 by mass, 3g of hydrogen gas will react completely with 24 g of oxygen gas.

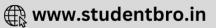
# Q3. Which postulate of Dalton's atomic theory is the result of the law of conservation of mass?

**Ans:** Dalton's postulate that "atoms can neither be created nor destroyed," is a result of the law of conservation of mass.

# Q4. Which postulate of Dalton's atomic theory can explain the law of definite proportions?

**Ans:** Atoms combine in a fixed ratio to form compounds, which can explain the law of definite proportions.





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## Q1. Define atomic mass unit.

**Ans:** It is defined as equal to 1/12th of the mass of 1 atom of C-12. It is called unified mass denoted by 'u' these days.

## Q2. Why is it not possible to see an atom with naked eyes?

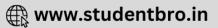
**Ans:** The size of an atom is so small that it is not possible to see it with naked eyes. Also, the atom of an element does not exist independently.

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Q1. Write down the formulae of (a) sodium oxide (b) aluminium chloride (c) sodium sulphide (d) magnesium hydroxide Ans: (a) Formula of Sodium Oxide Symbol  $\rightarrow$  Na  $\checkmark$ Charge  $\rightarrow +1^{k}$ Formula  $\rightarrow Na_2O$ (b) Formula of Aluminium Chloride Symbol  $\rightarrow$  Al  $\searrow$ Cl Charge  $\rightarrow +3^{k}$ Formula  $\rightarrow$  AlCl<sub>3</sub> (c) Formula of Sodium Sulphide Symbol  $\rightarrow$  Na  $\searrow$ Charge  $\rightarrow +1 \checkmark$ Formula  $\rightarrow$  Na<sub>2</sub>S (d) Formula of Magnesium Hydroxide Symbol  $\rightarrow Mg$ -OH Charge  $\rightarrow +2$ 1 Formula  $\rightarrow$  Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>

Q2. Write down the names of compounds represented by the following formulae:
(a) Al<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>
(b) CaCl<sub>2</sub>
(c) K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
(d) KNO<sub>3</sub>
(e) CaCO<sub>3</sub>
Ans:
(a) Aluminium sulphate





(b) Calcium chloride

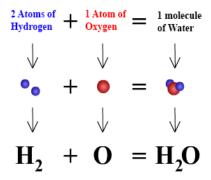
(c) Potassium sulphate

(d) Potassium nitrate

(e) Calcium carbonate

#### Q3. What is meant by the term chemical formula?

Ans: The chemical formula of a compound is a symbolic representation of its composition.



**Chemical Formula of Water** 

## Q4. How many atoms are present in

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(a) H<sub>2</sub>S molecule and
(b) PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>ion?
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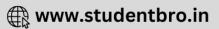
#### Ans:

(i)  $H_2S$  molecule has 2 atoms of hydrogen and 1 atom of sulphur hence **3 atoms** in totality. (ii)  $PO_4^{3-}$  ion has 1 atom of phosphorus and 4 atoms of oxygen hence **5 atoms** in totality.

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Q1. Calculate the molecular masses of H<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, Cl<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>OH.
Ans:
Molecular mass of H_2 = 2 \times Atomic mass of H
= 2 \times 1
= 2 u
Molecular mass of O_2 = 2 \times Atomic mass of O
= 2 \times 16
= 32 u
Molecular mass of Cl_2 = 2 \times Atomic mass of Cl
= 2 \times 35.5
= 71 u
Molecular mass of CO_2 = Atomic mass of C_2 × Atomic mass of O
= 12+(2+16) = (12+32)u
= 44 u
Molecular mass of CH<sub>4</sub>= Atomic mass of C4 × Atomic mass of H
= 12 + (4 \times 1)u = (12 + 4)u
= 16 u
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Molecular mass of  $C_2H_6 = 2 \times Atomic mass of C_6 \times Atomic mass of H$ =  $(2 \times 12 + 6 \times 1)u = (24 + 6)u$ = 30 u Molecular mass of  $C_2H_4 = 2 \times Atomic mass of C_4 \times Atomic mass of H$ =  $(2 \times 12 + 4 \times 1)u = (24 + 4)u$ = 28 u Molecular mass of NH<sub>3</sub> = Atomic mass of N<sub>3</sub> × Atomic mass of H =  $(14 + 3 \times 1)u = (14 + 3)u$ = 17 u Molecular mass of CH<sub>3</sub>OH = Atomic mass of C<sub>3</sub> × Atomic mass of H Atomic mass of O Atomic mass of H =  $(12 + 3 \times 1 + 16 + 1)u = (12 + 3 + 17)u$ = 32 u

Q2. Calculate the formula unit masses of ZnO, Na<sub>2</sub>O, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, given atomic masses of Zn = 65 u, Na = 23 u, K = 39 u, C = 12 u, and O = 16 u.

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Ans:
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(i) Formula unit mass of ZnO
= 65 + 16 = 81 u
(ii) Formula unit mass of Na<sub>2</sub>O
= 2 x 23 + 16 = 46 + 16 = 62 u
(iii) Formula unit mass of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
= 2 x 39 + 12 + 3 x 16
= 78 + 12 + 48 = 138 u
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Q1. A 0.24 g sample of a compound of oxygen and boron was found by analysis to contain 0.096 g of boron and 0.144 g of oxygen.

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Calculate the percentage composition of the compound by weight.

Ans: Percentage of boron = (mass of boron / mass of the compound) x 100

= (0.096g / 0.24g) \times 100

= 40\%

Percentage of oxygen = 100 - percentage of boron

= 100 - 40

= 60\%
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Q2. When 3.0 g of carbon is burnt in 8.00 g oxygen, 11.00 g of carbon dioxide is produced. What mass of carbon dioxide will be formed when 3.00 g of carbon is burnt in 50.00 g of oxygen? Which law of chemical combination will govern your answer? Ans: When 3.0 g of carbon is burnt in 8.00 g of oxygen, 11.00 g of carbon dioxide is produced.

#### Given that

3.0 g of carbon combines with 8.0 g of oxygen to give 11.0 of carbon dioxide. **Find out** 





We need to find out the mass of carbon dioxide that will be formed when 3.00 g of carbon is burnt in 50.00 g of oxygen.

## Solution

First, let us write the reaction taking place here.

 $C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$ 

As per the given condition, when 3.0 g of carbon is burnt in 8.00 g of oxygen, 11.00 g of carbon dioxide is produced.

 $3g + 8g \rightarrow 11 g$  ( from the above reaction)

The total mass of reactants = mass of carbon + mass of oxygen

= 3g+8g

= 11g

The total mass of reactants = Total mass of products

Therefore, the law of conservation of mass is proved.

Then, it also depicts that carbon dioxide contains carbon and oxygen in a fixed ratio by mass, which is 3:8.

Thus, it further proves the law of constant proportions.

3 g of carbon must also combine with 8 g of oxygen only.

This means that (50-8) = 42g of oxygen will remain unreacted.

The remaining 42 g of oxygen will be left un-reactive. In this case, too, only 11 g of carbon dioxide will be formed.

The above answer is governed by the law of constant proportions.

# Q3. What are polyatomic ions? Give examples.

**Ans:** Polyatomic ions are ions that contain more than one atom, but they behave as a single unit.

**Example:** CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>

# Q4. Write the chemical formulae of the following.

- (a) Magnesium chloride
- (b) Calcium oxide
- (c) Copper nitrate

## (d) Aluminium chloride

# (e) Calcium carbonate.

Ans: The following are the chemical formula of the above-mentioned list:

(a) Magnesium chloride – MgCl<sub>2</sub>

(b) Calcium oxide – CaO

(c) Copper nitrate –  $Cu(NO_3)_2$ 

(d) Aluminium chloride –  $AICI_3$ 

(e) Calcium carbonate – CaCO<sub>3</sub>

# Q5. Give the names of the elements present in the following compounds.

(a) Quick lime

(b) Hydrogen bromide

(d) Potassium sulphate.





**Ans:** The following are the names of the elements present in the following compounds:

(a) Quick lime – Calcium and oxygen (CaO)

(b) Hydrogen bromide – Hydrogen and bromine (HBr)

(c) Baking powder – Sodium, Carbon, Hydrogen, Oxygen (NaHCO<sub>3</sub>)

(d) Potassium sulphate – Sulphur, Oxygen, Potassium (K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)

Q6. Calculate the molar mass of the following substances.

(a) Ethyne, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>

(b) Sulphur molecule, S<sub>8</sub>

(c) Phosphorus molecule, P<sub>4</sub> (Atomic mass of phosphorus =31)

(d) Hydrochloric acid, HCl

### (e) Nitric acid, HNO<sub>3</sub>

Ans: Listed below is the molar mass of the following substances:

(a) Molar mass of Ethyne  $C_2H_2= 2 \times Mass$  of C+2 x Mass of H =  $(2 \times 12)+(2 \times 1)=24+2=26g$ 

(b) Molar mass of Sulphur molecule  $S_8 = 8 \times Mass$  of  $S = 8 \times 32 = 256g$ 

(c) Molar mass of Phosphorus molecule,  $P_4 = 4 \times Mass$  of  $P = 4 \times 31 = 124g$ 

(d) Molar mass of Hydrochloric acid, HCl = Mass of H+ Mass of Cl = 1+35.5 = 36.5g

(e) Molar mass of Nitric acid,  $HNO_3$  =Mass of H+ Mass of Nitrogen + 3 x Mass of O = 1 + 14+  $3 \times 16 = 63g$ 



