

# 9 Qualitative Analysis

For each question, choose the most suitable option and write the letter (A, B, C or D) in the brackets provided.

## Level 1

- Q 1. When a dilute acid and a dilute alkali are mixed, a white precipitate is formed.

What could the identity of the acid and alkali be?

	Acid	Alkali
A	Hydrochloric acid	Silver hydroxide
B	Nitric acid	Sodium hydroxide
C	Sulfuric acid	Barium hydroxide
D	Sulfuric acid	Calcium chloride

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- Q 2. Which of the following can be used to distinguish between chlorine gas and hydrogen chloride gas?

- A Burning splint
- B Damp blue litmus paper
- C Glowing splint
- D Limewater

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3. Aluminium hydroxide and zinc hydroxide dissolve in excess aqueous sodium hydroxide. Why is this so?

- A They are acidic.
- B They are amphoteric.
- C They are always soluble in excess alkali.
- D They decompose when excess alkali is added.

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- Q 4. A student wants to test for nitrate ions in solution D. He added aqueous sodium hydroxide and aluminium powder into solution D and heated the mixture.

What should he use to test for the gas produced?

- A A burning splint
- B Damp blue litmus paper
- C Damp red litmus paper
- D Limewater

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Q 5. Aqueous ammonia was added into the following solutions.

Ammonium iodide

Calcium nitrate

Iron(II) sulfate

Zinc chloride

How many of the solutions would **not** show an observation?

A 1

B 2

C 3

D 4

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### Level 2

6. Gas **A** produces a white precipitate when bubbled into limewater.

Which of the following are **true** of gas **A**?

1 It can react with aqueous sodium hydroxide.

2 It can react with calcium oxide.

3 It can turn damp blue litmus paper red.

A 1 and 2 only

B 1 and 3 only

C 2 and 3 only

D All of the above

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Q 7. Study Figure 9.1.

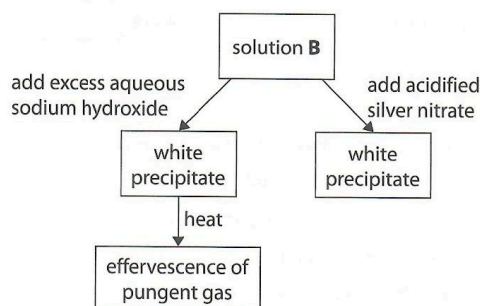


Figure 9.1

What are the possible cation(s) and anion(s) present in solution **B**?

	Cation(s) Present in B	Anion(s) Present in B
A	$\text{Ca}^{2+}$	$\text{Cl}^-$
B	$\text{Ca}^{2+}, \text{NH}_4^+$	$\text{Cl}^-$
C	$\text{Zn}^{2+}$	$\text{Cl}^-, \text{SO}_4^{2-}$
D	$\text{Zn}^{2+}, \text{NH}_4^+$	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$

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8. Which of the following solids will **not** form a clear solution when added into aqueous ammonia?

- A Aluminium nitrate
- B Copper(II) sulfate
- C Sodium chloride
- D Zinc hydroxide

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9. Study Figure 9.2.

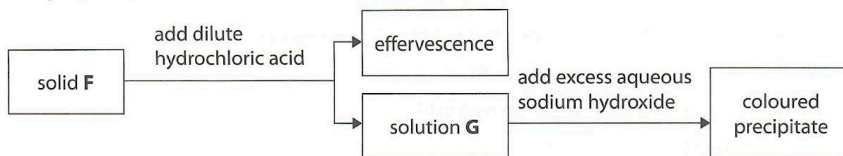


Figure 9.2

What could be the identity of **F** and the colour of **G**?

	Identity of F	Colour of G
A	Ammonium carbonate	Colourless
B	Copper(II) nitrate	Blue
C	Iron(II) carbonate	Green
D	Iron(III) nitrate	Yellow

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### Level 3

10. Hydrogen peroxide decomposes according to the following equation.



Which of the following statements are most likely **true** about **J**?

- 1 It can be identified using a glowing splint.
- 2 It can dissolve in water to form an acidic solution.
- 3 It turns damp red litmus paper blue.
- 4 It can combine with carbon to form a gas that produces a white precipitate when bubbled into limewater.

- A 1 and 2 only
- B 1 and 4 only
- C 2 and 3 only
- D 3 and 4 only

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11. The following statements describe some properties of three gases, **X**, **Y** and **Z**.

- Gas **X** burns in oxygen to form a colourless liquid that boils at 100 °C.
- Gas **Y** is a compound made up of an element from Group 14 and an element from Group 16 of the periodic table.
- Gas **Z** is an element that can also form gas **Y**.

Some tests are conducted on gases **X**, **Y** and **Z** to identify them.

Which of the following are observed?

	Gas X	Gas Y	Gas Z
<b>A</b>	The burning splint is extinguished with a "pop" sound.	A white precipitate is formed in limewater.	The glowing splint is rekindled.
<b>B</b>	The burning splint is extinguished with a "pop" sound.	A white precipitate is formed in limewater.	The burning splint is rekindled.
<b>C</b>	The glowing splint is extinguished with a "pop" sound.	A white precipitate is formed in limewater.	The burning splint is extinguished with a "pop" sound.
<b>D</b>	A white precipitate is formed in limewater.	The glowing splint is extinguished with a "pop" sound.	The glowing splint is rekindled.

12. Five compounds, **M**, **N**, **O**, **P** and **Q** were mixed in separate test tubes according to Table 9.1.

Table 9.1

Compounds Mixed		Observation
<b>M</b>	<b>O</b>	Effervescence
<b>N</b>	<b>Q</b>	White precipitate
<b>O</b>	<b>P</b>	No change observed
<b>P</b>	<b>Q</b>	Blue precipitate

Based on the observations, what could be the identities of the five compounds?

	M	N	O	P	Q
<b>A</b>	$K_2CO_3$	$BaCl_2$	$HNO_3$	$NaOH$	$CuSO_4$
<b>B</b>	$NaCl$	$AgNO_3$	$ZnCl_2$	$CuSO_4$	$MgCl_2$
<b>C</b>	$Na_2CO_3$	$CaCl_2$	$HCl$	$CuCl_2$	$Fe(OH)_3$
<b>D</b>	$MgSO_4$	$Ba(NO_3)_2$	$Ca(NO_3)_2$	$KOH$	$CuSO_4$

13. Figure 9.3 shows two graphs that were obtained when two experiments, I and II, were carried out.

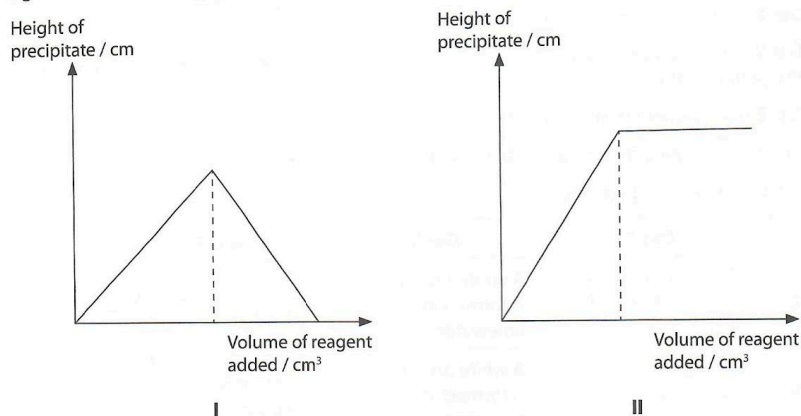


Figure 9.3

Which of the following could be a step that was carried out in experiments I and II respectively?

	Experiment I	Experiment II
A	Add aqueous ammonia to copper(II) sulfate solution until it is in excess.	Add aqueous barium nitrate, followed by dilute nitric acid, to magnesium chloride solution.
B	Add aqueous barium nitrate, followed by dilute nitric acid, to magnesium chloride solution.	Add aqueous ammonia to copper(II) sulfate solution until it is in excess.
C	Add aqueous sodium hydroxide to zinc chloride solution until it is in excess.	Add aqueous sodium hydroxide to copper(II) sulfate solution until it is in excess.
D	Add aqueous sodium hydroxide, followed by dilute hydrochloric acid to aqueous ammonium nitrate.	Add aqueous ammonia to copper(II) sulfate solution until it is in excess.

14. Study the flowchart in Figure 9.4.

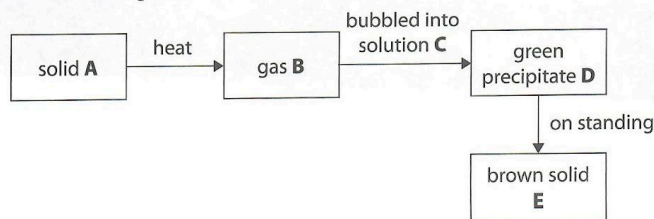


Figure 9.4

Which of the following are **true** of substances A to E?

	Cation in A	Identity of B	Cation in C	Identity of D	Cation in E
A	$\text{Ca}^{2+}$	$\text{CO}_2$	$\text{Fe}^{2+}$	$\text{FeCO}_3$	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$
B	$\text{Mg}^{2+}$	$\text{NH}_3$	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$	$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$	$\text{Fe}^{2+}$
C	$\text{NH}_4^+$	$\text{NH}_3$	$\text{Fe}^{2+}$	$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$	$\text{Fe}^{3+}$
D	$\text{Zn}^{2+}$	$\text{CO}_2$	$\text{Cu}^{2+}$	$\text{CuCO}_3$	$\text{Cu}^+$

15. Figure 9.5 shows the graph obtained when aqueous sodium hydroxide is added dropwise into solution X until it is in excess. When the resultant solution was warmed gently, effervescence of a pungent gas is observed.

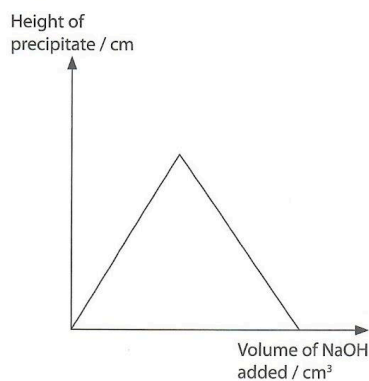


Figure 9.5

Which of the following statements is/are **true** about the reaction above?

- The precipitate formed could be zinc hydroxide.
- The pungent gas is ammonia.
- There are at least two cations present in solution X.

A 1 and 2 only

B 2 and 3 only

C 3 only

D All of the above