AQA GCSE Chemistry | 8462

SPECIFICATION POINT 4.3.2.3

Using moles to balance equations (HT only)

Past-paper questions

Tier	**Higher**
Question groups	**2**
Available paper years	**2020–2021**

Using this booklet

1. Answer the questions in order and show your working.
2. Original question numbers and marks are retained.
3. Print at actual size (100%) for measuring questions.
4. Use the companion answer booklet to check your work.

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Question 01

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0 8 This question is about the halogens.

Table 5 shows the melting points and boiling points of some halogens.

Table 5

Element	Melting point in °C	Boiling point in °C
Fluorine	–220	–188
Chlorine	–101	–35
Bromine	–7	59

0 8 . 1 What is the state of bromine at 0 °C **and** at 100 °C?

[1 mark]

Tick (✓) **one** box.

State at 0 °C	State at 100 °C	
Gas	Gas	☐
Gas	Liquid	☐
Liquid	Gas	☐
Liquid	Liquid	☐
Solid	Gas	☐
Solid	Liquid	☐

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Question 01 · continued

0 8 . 2 Explain the trend in boiling points of the halogens shown in **Table 5**.

[4 marks]

0 8 . 3 Why is it **not** correct to say that the boiling point of a single bromine molecule is 59 °C?

[1 mark]

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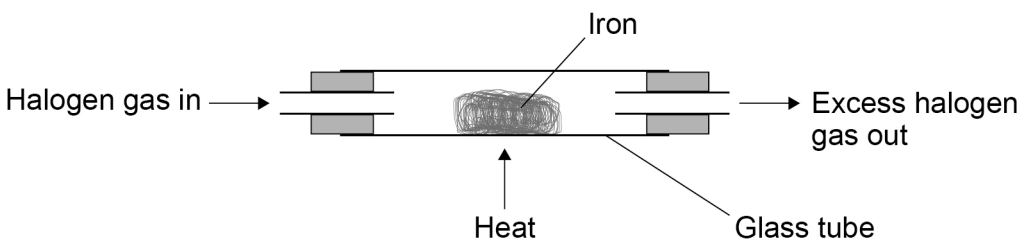
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Question 01 · continued

Iron reacts with each of the halogens in their gaseous form.

Figure 5 shows the apparatus used.

Figure 5



0 8 . 4 Give **one** reason why this experiment should be done in a fume cupboard.

[1 mark]

0 8 . 5 Explain why the reactivity of the halogens decreases going down the group.

[3 marks]

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Question 01 · continued

0 8 . 6 A teacher investigated the reaction of iron with chlorine using the apparatus in **Figure 5**.

The word equation for the reaction is:

iron + chlorine → iron chloride

The teacher weighed:

- the glass tube
- the glass tube and iron before the reaction
- the glass tube and iron chloride after the reaction.

Table 6 shows the teacher's results.

Table 6

	Mass in g
Glass tube	51.56
Glass tube and iron	56.04
Glass tube and iron chloride	64.56

Calculate the simplest whole number ratio of:

moles of iron atoms : moles of chlorine atoms

Determine the balanced equation for the reaction.

Relative atomic masses (A_r): Cl = 35.5 Fe = 56

[6 marks]

Moles of iron atoms : moles of chlorine atoms = _____ : _____

Equation for the reaction _____

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Question 02

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1 0 This question is about alkenes and alcohols.

Ethene is an alkene produced from large hydrocarbon molecules.

Large hydrocarbon molecules are obtained from crude oil by fractional distillation.

1 0 . 1 Name the process used to produce ethene from large hydrocarbon molecules.

[1 mark]

1 0 . 2 Describe the conditions used to produce ethene from large hydrocarbon molecules.

[2 marks]

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10.3 Ethanol can be produced from ethene and steam.

The equation for the reaction is:

$$C_2H_4(g) + H_2O(g) \rightleftharpoons C_2H_5OH(g)$$

The forward reaction is exothermic.

Explain how the conditions for this reaction should be chosen to produce ethanol as economically as possible.

[6 marks]

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Question 02 · continued

10.4 Ethanol can also be produced from sugar solution by adding yeast.

Name this process.

[1 mark]

10.5 Butanol can be produced from sugar solution by adding bacteria.

Sugar solution is broken down in similar ways by bacteria and by yeast.

Suggest the reaction conditions needed to produce butanol from sugar solution by adding bacteria.

[2 marks]

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Question 02 · continued

Ethanol and butanol can be used as fuels for cars.

10.6 A car needs an average of 1.95 kJ of energy to travel 1 m

Ethanol has an energy content of 1300 kilojoules per mole (kJ/mol).

Calculate the number of moles of ethanol needed by the car to travel 200 km

[3 marks]

Number of moles = _____ mol

10.7 When butanol is burned in a car engine, complete combustion takes place.

Write a balanced equation for the complete combustion of butanol.

You do **not** need to include state symbols.

[2 marks]

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