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Topic Questions

3.2 Inorganic chemistry

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This question is about the chemical properties of chlorine, sodium chloride and sodium bromide.

- (a) Sodium bromide reacts with concentrated sulfuric acid in a different way from sodium chloride.

Write an equation for this reaction of sodium bromide and explain why bromide ions react differently from chloride ions.

Equation

Explanation

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(3)

- (b) A colourless solution contains a mixture of sodium chloride and sodium bromide.

Using aqueous silver nitrate and any other reagents of your choice, develop a procedure to prepare a pure sample of silver bromide from this mixture. Explain each step in the procedure and illustrate your explanations with equations, where appropriate.

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- (c) Write an ionic equation for the reaction between chlorine and cold dilute sodium hydroxide solution.
Give the oxidation state of chlorine in each of the chlorine-containing ions formed.

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(Total 11 marks)

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Which of these substances reacts most rapidly to produce a silver halide precipitate with acidified silver nitrate?

A CH_3Br ☐

B CH_3Cl ☐

C CH_3F ☐

D CH_3I ☐

(Total 1 mark)

3 (a) Strontium chloride is used in toothpaste for sensitive teeth.
Both strontium carbonate and strontium sulfate are white solids that are insoluble in water.

- (i) Write an equation for the reaction between strontium chloride solution and sodium sulfate solution.
Include state symbols in your equation.

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(1)

- (ii) Strontium carbonate reacts with nitric acid to produce a solution of strontium nitrate.
Strontium sulfate does not react with nitric acid.

Describe briefly how you could obtain strontium sulfate from a mixture of strontium carbonate and strontium sulfate.
You are **not** required to describe the purification of the strontium sulfate.

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- (b) A solution of magnesium sulfate is sometimes given as first aid to someone who

has swallowed barium chloride.

Explain why drinking magnesium sulfate solution is effective in the treatment of barium poisoning.

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- (c) Medicines for the treatment of nervous disorders often contain calcium bromide. Silver nitrate, acidified with dilute nitric acid, can be used together with another reagent to test for the presence of bromide ions in a solution of a medicine.

Describe briefly how you would carry out this test and state what you would observe.

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(Total 7 marks)

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The following pairs of compounds can be distinguished by simple test-tube reactions.

For each pair of compounds, give a reagent (or combination of reagents) that, when added separately to each compound, could be used to distinguish between them. State what is observed in each case.

(a) Butan-2-ol and 2-methylpropan-2-ol

Reagent

Observation with butan-2-ol

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Observation with 2-methylpropan-2-ol

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(b) Propane and propene

Reagent

Observation with propane

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Observation with propene

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(c) Aqueous silver nitrate and aqueous sodium nitrate

Reagent

Observation with aqueous silver nitrate

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Observation with aqueous sodium nitrate

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(d) Aqueous magnesium chloride and aqueous barium chloride

Reagent

Observation with aqueous magnesium chloride

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Observation with aqueous barium chloride

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(Total 12 marks)

5 The following pairs of compounds can be distinguished by simple test-tube reactions.

For each pair, give a suitable reagent that could be added separately to each compound to distinguish between them.
Describe what you would observe in each case.

(a) AgBr(s) and AgI(s)

Reagent

Observation with AgBr(s)

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Observation with AgI(s)

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(3)

(b) HCl(aq) and $\text{HNO}_3\text{(aq)}$

Reagent

Observation with HCl(aq)

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Observation with $\text{HNO}_3\text{(aq)}$

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(3)

(c) Cyclohexane and cyclohexene

Reagent

Observation with cyclohexane

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Observation with cyclohexene

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(d) Butanal and butanone

Reagent

Observation with butanal

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Observation with butanone

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(3)

(Total 12 marks)



Chlorine is an important industrial chemical.

- (a) Chlorine is formed when KMnO_4 reacts with hydrochloric acid.
The ionic equation for this redox reaction is



- (i) Deduce the half-equation for the oxidation of chloride ions to chlorine.

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(1)

- (ii) Give the oxidation state of manganese in the MnO_4^- ion.

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(1)

- (iii) Deduce the half-equation for the reduction of the MnO_4^- ions in acidified solution to manganese(II) ions and water.

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(1)

- (b) Chlorine behaves as an oxidising agent in the extraction of bromine from seawater.
In this process, chlorine gas is bubbled through a solution containing bromide ions.

- (i) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction of chlorine with bromide ions.

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- (ii) Give **one** observation that would be made during this reaction.

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- (iii) In terms of electrons, state the meaning of the term **oxidising agent**.

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(c) In sunlight, chlorine can also oxidise water slowly to form oxygen.

Write an equation for this reaction.

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Give the oxidation state of chlorine in the chlorine-containing species that is formed.

Equation

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Oxidation state of chlorine in the species formed

(d) Explain why chlorine has a lower boiling point than bromine.

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(Total 10 marks)