

CHEMISTRY CONTENT FACTS

The following is a list of facts related to the course of Chemistry. A deep foundation of factual knowledge is important; however, students need to understand facts and ideas in the context of the conceptual framework. This list is not intended to provide a comprehensive review for State and National Assessments. Its purpose is to provide a highlight of the factual material covered in Chemistry. This list is not all inclusive, be sure to check Nevada State Standards and your district syllabi.

Stoichiometry and Mathematics

- **Mole** of any gas occupies 22.4 dm³ at STP and contains 6.02 X 10²³ molecules
- $\# \text{ of moles} = \frac{\text{given mass (grams)}}{\text{molar mass (add up masses from periodic table)}}$
- **Avogadro's Law** - equal volumes of gases at same temperature and pressure contain equal # of molecules
- **Molarity** = $\frac{\# \text{ of moles of solute}}{\text{Liter of solution}}$
- **Molality** = $\frac{\# \text{ of moles of solute}}{\text{Kg solvent}}$
- **Solubility:** like dissolves like (polarities)
- **Unsaturated solution** - holds less solute than the maximum for given temperature and pressure
- **Saturated** - holds the exact amount of solute the solvent can hold for given temperature and pressure
- **Super saturated** - holds more than the maximum amount of solute for that temperature and pressure
- **Concentrated solution** - holds a large amount of solute for volume solvent
- **Dilute solution** - holds a small amount of solute for volume solvent
- **Solubility of a solid** - (ability to dissolve) generally increases as temperature increases
- **Solubility of a gas** – generally increase as temperature decreases and pressure increases. Think of when soda goes flat (CO₂ escapes)
- **Boiling point elevation** - for every mole of particles dissolved in solution the boiling point increase by a constant amount. i.e. for H₂O, k_b = 0.52 °C/molal
- **Freezing point depression** - for every mole of particles dissolved in solution the freezing point decreases by a constant amount. i.e. for H₂O, k_f = 1.86 °C/molal
- When figuring out boiling point elevation and freezing point depression keep in mind that electrolytes (molecules that split into ions) create more moles in solution than the moles solute dissolved
- How do you know when a substance is an electrolyte? If it is *ionically* bonded it is an electrolyte. i.e. NaCl (salt) or NaOH (base) or it is polar covalently bonded and ionizes in H₂O (ex. HCl, HBr)
- **Molecular formula** - the actual # of atoms in the covalently bonded molecule. i.e. C₆H₁₂O

- **Empirical formula** - shows the simplest ratio of atoms in a substance i.e. $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow CH_2O$
- Finding the empirical formula from percentages
 - Divide the percentages by the atomic masses (see periodic tables)
 - Divide the resulting numbers by the smallest result and this gives you your ratio for the empirical formula
 - Put this into a whole number ratio if fraction results
- Finding the molecular formula from percentages. You **MUST** be given the molar mass to do this
 - Divide the percentages by the atomic masses (see periodic tables)
 - Divide the resulting numbers by the smallest result and this gives you your ratio for the empirical formula
 - Figure out what the empirical formula's mass is and see how many times it goes in to your total mass
 - Then multiply subscripts by this number

- **Percentage comp.** =
$$\frac{\text{Total mass of element in compound}}{\text{Total mass of compound}} \times 100$$

- **Percent error** =
$$\frac{|\text{experimental value} - \text{true value}|}{\text{true value}} \times 100$$

