



## TOPIC 14 ANSWERS TO EXERCISES

### Topic 14 Exercise 1

1.
  - a)  $2\text{Na(s)} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow 2\text{NaOH} + \text{H}_2\text{(g)}$
  - b)  $\text{Mg(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(g)} \rightarrow \text{MgO(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{(g)}$
2.
  - a)  $4\text{Na(s)} + \text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 2\text{Na}_2\text{O(s)}$
  - b)  $2\text{Mg(s)} + \text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 2\text{MgO(s)}$
  - c)  $4\text{Al(s)} + 3\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 2\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{(s)}$
  - d)  $\text{Si(s)} + \text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow \text{SiO}_2\text{(s)}$
  - e)  $4\text{P(s)} + 5\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow \text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}\text{(s)}$
  - f)  $\text{S(s)} + \text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow \text{SO}_2\text{(g)}$

### Topic 14 Exercise 2

1.
  - a) the charges on  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  are larger than the charge on  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  are smaller in size than  $\text{Na}^+$  so the attraction between  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and  $\text{O}^{2-}$ , and between  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  and  $\text{O}^{2-}$  is greater than the attraction between  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{O}^{2-}$  so more energy is needed to separate the ions
  - b)  $\text{SiO}_2$  is giant covalent and much energy is required to break the covalent bonds between Si and O atoms
  - c)  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  and  $\text{SO}_2$  are simple molecular  $\text{SiO}_2$  is giant covalent Less energy is required to break intermolecular forces between  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  or  $\text{SO}_2$  molecules Than is required to break covalent bonds between Si and O atoms
  - d) The  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  molecules are larger than  $\text{SO}_2$  molecules so the intermolecular forces between  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  molecules are larger than the intermolecular forces between  $\text{SO}_2$  molecules so more energy is required to separate  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}$  molecules than  $\text{SO}_2$  molecules
2.
  - a)
    - i)  $\text{Na}_2\text{O(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow 2\text{NaOH(aq)}$  pH 12 - 14
    - ii)  $\text{MgO(s)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow \text{Mg(OH)}_2\text{(s)}$  pH 8 - 9
    - iii)  $\text{P}_4\text{O}_{10}\text{(s)} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow 4\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4\text{(aq)}$  pH 2 - 4
    - iv)  $\text{SO}_2\text{(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{SO}_3\text{(aq)}$  pH 2 - 4
    - v)  $\text{SO}_3\text{(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4\text{(aq)}$  pH 1 - 3
  - b)
    - i)  $\text{Na}_2\text{O(s)} + 2\text{HCl(aq)} \rightarrow 2\text{NaCl(aq)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
    - ii)  $\text{MgO(s)} + 2\text{HCl(aq)} \rightarrow \text{MgCl}_2\text{(aq)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
    - iii)  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{(s)} + 6\text{HCl(aq)} \rightarrow 2\text{AlCl}_3\text{(aq)} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
  - c)
    - i)  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{(s)} + 2\text{NaOH(aq)} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow 2\text{NaAl(OH)}_4\text{(aq)}$
    - ii)  $\text{SiO}_2\text{(s)} + 2\text{NaOH(aq)} \rightarrow \text{Na}_2\text{SiO}_3\text{(aq)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$



**MEGA LECTURE**

- iii)  $P_4O_{10}(s) + 12NaOH(aq) \rightarrow 4Na_3PO_4(aq) + 6H_2O(l)$   
iv)  $SO_2(g) + 2NaOH(aq) \rightarrow Na_2SO_3(aq) + H_2O(l)$   
v)  $SO_3(g) + 2NaOH(aq) \rightarrow Na_2SO_4(aq) + H_2O(l)$
- d)  $Na_2O$  and  $MgO$  are basic  
they react with water to give solutions with pH greater than 7  
and they react with acids.  
These oxides are basic because the bonding is ionic.  
 $Al_2O_3$  is amphoteric  
It reacts with acids and with alkalis  
 $Al_2O_3$  is amphoteric because the bonding is intermediate between ionic  
and covalent  
 $SiO_2$ ,  $P_4O_{10}$ ,  $SO_2$  and  $SO_3$  are acidic  
They react with water to give solutions with pH less than 7  
And they react with alkalis  
These oxides are acidic because the bonding is covalent.