



Topic 6 Exercise 1 – redox reactions

1. Define the terms:

- a) Oxidation
- b) Reduction
- c) Oxidising agent
- d) Reducing agent
- e) Redox reaction

2. Deduce the oxidation numbers of the following atoms:

a) Si in SiF_4	k) Tl in TlCl
b) S in H_2S	l) C in CaC_2
c) Pb in PbO_2	m) H in AlH_3
d) S in H_2SO_4	n) C in $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$
e) N in NO_3^-	o) I in IO_3^-
f) N in NO_2^-	p) Cl in Cl_2O_7
g) I in I_2	q) O in OF_2
h) S in $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$	r) Fe in Fe_3O_4
i) Cl in ClO^-	s) S in $\text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$
j) Cl in ClO_3^-	t) C in HCN



3. Turn the following processes into redox reactions by writing out half-equations and combining them:
- a) $\text{PbO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{2+}$, $\text{Cl}^- \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2$
 - b) $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-} \rightarrow \text{S}_4\text{O}_6^{2-}$, $\text{I}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{I}^-$
 - c) $\text{IO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{I}_2$, $\text{I}^- \rightarrow \text{I}_2$
 - d) $\text{ClO}^- \rightarrow \text{ClO}_3^-$, $\text{ClO}^- \rightarrow \text{Cl}^-$
 - e) $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{SO}_2$, $\text{Br}^- \rightarrow \text{Br}_2$
 - f) $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{S}$, $\text{I}^- \rightarrow \text{I}_2$
 - g) $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{S}$, $\text{I}^- \rightarrow \text{I}_2$
 - h) $\text{ClO}^- \rightarrow \text{Cl}^-$, $\text{I}^- \rightarrow \text{I}_2$
 - i) $\text{PbO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Pb}^{2+}$, $\text{SO}_3^{2-} \rightarrow \text{SO}_4^{2-}$
4. Identify the oxidising and reducing agents in the equations in question 2.
5. Identify any disproportionation reactions in question 2.