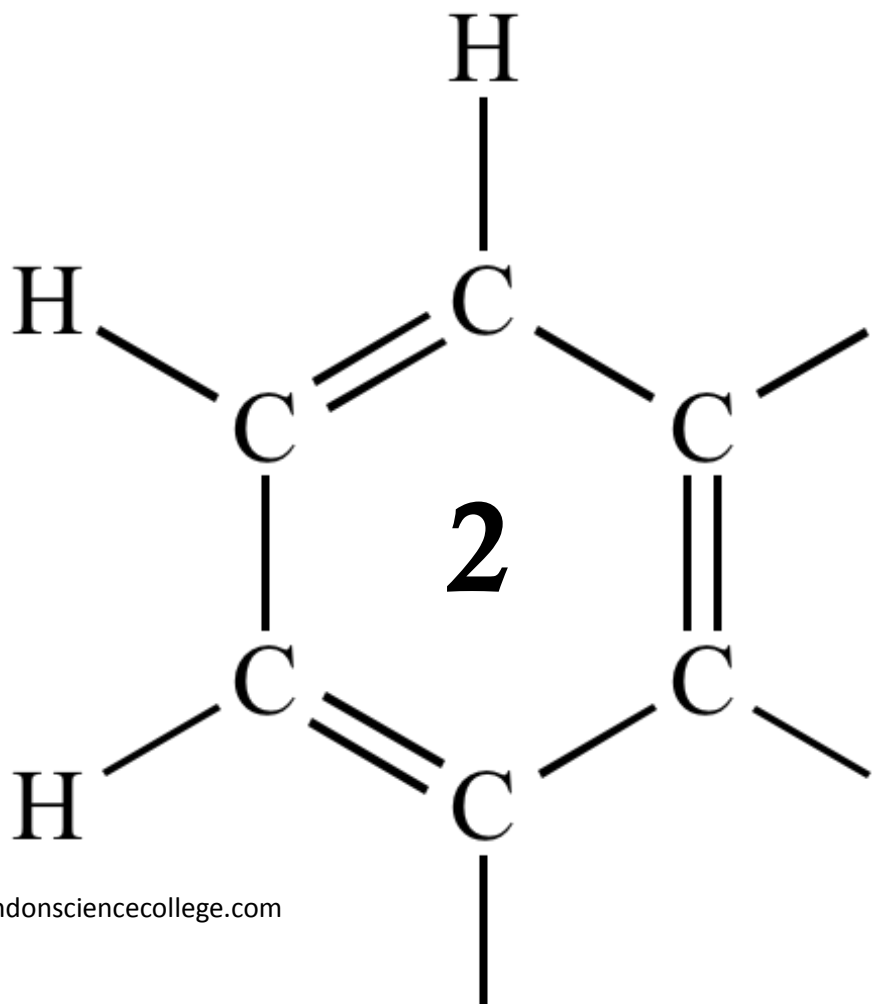


AQA AS CHEMISTRY

# HALOGENS



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(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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(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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- (a) Anhydrous strontium chloride is not used in toothpaste because it absorbs water from the atmosphere. The hexahydrate,  $\text{SrCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , is preferred.

A chemist was asked to determine the purity of a sample of strontium chloride hexahydrate. The chemist weighed out 2.25 g of the sample and added it to 100 cm<sup>3</sup> of water. The mixture was warmed and stirred for several minutes to dissolve all of the strontium chloride in the sample. The mixture was then filtered into a conical flask. An excess of silver nitrate solution was added to the flask and the contents swirled for 1 minute to make sure that the precipitation was complete.

The silver chloride precipitate was separated from the mixture by filtration. The precipitate was washed several times with deionised water and dried carefully. The chemist weighed the dry precipitate and recorded a mass of 1.55 g.

- (i) Calculate the amount, in moles, of AgCl in 1.55 g of silver chloride ( $M_r = 143.4$ ).

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- (ii) The equation for the reaction between strontium chloride and silver nitrate is



Use your answer from part (i) and this equation to calculate the amount, in moles, of  $\text{SrCl}_2$  needed to form 1.55 g of silver chloride.

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(iii) Use data from the Periodic Table to calculate the  $M_r$  of strontium chloride hexahydrate. Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

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(iv) Use your answers from parts (a)(ii) and (a)(iii) to calculate the percentage by mass of strontium chloride hexahydrate in the sample. Show your working. Give your answer to the appropriate precision.

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(v) Several steps in the practical procedure were designed to ensure an accurate value for the percentage by mass of strontium chloride hexahydrate in the sample.

1 Explain why the solution of strontium chloride was filtered to remove insoluble impurities before the addition of silver nitrate.

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2 Explain why the precipitate of silver chloride was washed several times with deionised water.

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(b) Magnesium hydroxide and magnesium carbonate are used to reduce acidity in the stomach. Magnesium hydroxide can be prepared by the reaction of solutions of magnesium chloride and sodium hydroxide.

(i) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction that occurs between magnesium chloride and sodium hydroxide. Include state symbols in your equation.

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- (ii) Other than cost, explain one advantage of using magnesium hydroxide rather than magnesium carbonate to reduce acidity in the stomach.

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- (c) Calcium ethanoate,  $(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2\text{Ca}$ , is used in the treatment of kidney disease. Thermal decomposition of calcium ethanoate under certain conditions gives propanone and **one** other product.

Write an equation for the thermal decomposition of calcium ethanoate.

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- (d) Salts containing the chromate(VI) ion are usually yellow in colour. Calcium chromate(VI) is soluble in water. Strontium chromate(VI) is insoluble in water, but will dissolve in a solution of ethanoic acid. Barium chromate(VI) is insoluble in water and is also insoluble in a solution of ethanoic acid.

Describe a series of tests using solutions of sodium chromate(VI) and ethanoic acid that would allow you to distinguish between separate solutions of calcium chloride, strontium chloride and barium chloride.

State what you would observe in each test.

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- (e) The strontium salt of ranelic acid is used to promote bone growth. Analysis of a pure sample of ranelic acid showed that it contained 42.09% of carbon, 2.92% of hydrogen, 8.18% of nitrogen, 37.42% of oxygen and 9.39% of sulfur by mass.

Use these data to calculate the empirical formula of ranelic acid.  
Show your working.

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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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- (b) HCl(aq) and HNO<sub>3</sub>(aq)

Reagent .....

Observation with HCl(aq) .....

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Observation with HNO<sub>3</sub>(aq) .....

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(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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(Total 12 marks)

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(a) Chlorine displaces iodine from aqueous potassium iodide.

(i) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for this reaction.

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(ii) Give **one** observation that you would make when this reaction occurs.

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(b) In bright sunlight, chlorine reacts with water to form oxygen as one of the products.  
Write an equation for this reaction.

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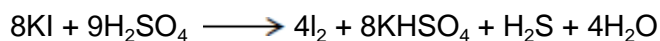
(c) Explain why chlorine has a lower boiling point than bromine.

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**5** Concentrated sulfuric acid reacts with solid potassium iodide as shown in the equation.



Give **two** observations that you would make when this reaction occurs.

In terms of electrons, state what happens to the iodide ions in this reaction.

State the **change** in oxidation state of sulfur that occurs during this formation of H<sub>2</sub>S and deduce the half-equation for the conversion of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> into H<sub>2</sub>S

(Total 5 marks)

**6** Chlorine is a powerful oxidising agent.

(a) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction between chlorine and aqueous potassium bromide.

State what is observed when this reaction occurs.

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(b) Write an equation for the reaction between chlorine and cold, dilute, aqueous sodium hydroxide.

Give a major use for the solution that is formed by this reaction.

Give the IUPAC name of the chlorine-containing compound formed in this reaction in which chlorine has an oxidation state of +1.

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(c) Write an equation for the equilibrium reaction that occurs when chlorine gas reacts with cold water.

Give **one** reason why chlorine is used for the treatment of drinking water even though the gas is very toxic.

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(d) State how you could test a sample of water to show that it contains chloride ions.

In your answer, give a reagent, **one** observation and the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction with the reagent.

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A student investigated the chemistry of the halogens and the halide ions.

(a) In the first two tests, the student made the following observations.

Test	Observation
1. Add chlorine water to aqueous potassium iodide solution.	The colourless solution turned a brown colour.
2. Add silver nitrate solution to aqueous potassium chloride solution.	The colourless solution produced a white precipitate.

(i) Identify the species responsible for the brown colour in Test 1.

Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction that has taken place in Test 1.

State the type of reaction that has taken place in Test 1.

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(ii) Name the species responsible for the white precipitate in Test 2.

Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction that has taken place in Test 2.

State what would be observed when an excess of dilute ammonia solution is added to the white precipitate obtained in Test 2.

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(b) In two further tests, the student made the following observations.

Test	Observation
3. Add concentrated sulfuric acid to solid potassium chloride.	The white solid produced misty white fumes which turned blue litmus paper to red.
4. Add concentrated sulfuric acid to solid potassium iodide.	The white solid turned black. A gas was released that smelled of rotten eggs. A yellow solid was formed.

(i) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the reaction that has taken place in Test 3.

Identify the species responsible for the misty white fumes produced in Test 3.

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(ii) The student had read in a textbook that the equation for one of the reactions in Test 4 is as follows.



Write the **two** half-equations for this reaction.

State the role of the sulfuric acid and identify the yellow solid that is also observed in Test 4.

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(iii) The student knew that bromine can be used for killing microorganisms in swimming pool water.

The following equilibrium is established when bromine is added to cold water.



Use Le Chatelier's principle to explain why this equilibrium moves to the right when sodium hydroxide solution is added to a solution containing dissolved bromine.

Deduce why bromine can be used for killing microorganisms in swimming pool water, even though bromine is toxic.

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Iodine reacts with concentrated nitric acid to produce nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>).

(a) (i) Give the oxidation state of iodine in each of the following.

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HIO<sub>3</sub>.....

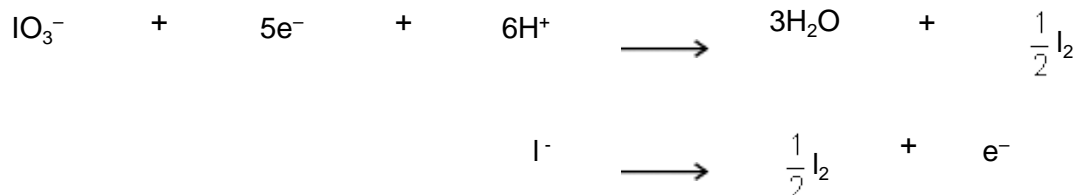
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(ii) Complete the balancing of the following equation.



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- (b) In industry, iodine is produced from the  $\text{NaIO}_3$  that remains after sodium nitrate has been crystallised from the mineral Chile saltpetre. The final stage involves the reaction between  $\text{NaIO}_3$  and  $\text{NaI}$  in acidic solution. Half-equations for the redox processes are given below.



Use these half-equations to deduce an overall ionic equation for the production of iodine by this process. Identify the oxidising agent.

Overall ionic equation

The oxidising agent .....

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- (c) When concentrated sulfuric acid is added to potassium iodide, solid sulfur and a black solid are formed.

- (i) Identify the black solid.

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- (ii) Deduce the half-equation for the formation of sulfur from concentrated sulfuric acid.

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- (d) When iodide ions react with concentrated sulfuric acid in a different redox reaction, the oxidation state of sulfur changes from +6 to -2. The reduction product of this reaction is a poisonous gas that has an unpleasant smell. Identify this gas.

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(e) A yellow precipitate is formed when silver nitrate solution, acidified with dilute nitric acid, is added to an aqueous solution containing iodide ions.

(ii) Write the **simplest ionic** equation for the formation of the yellow precipitate.

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(ii) State what is observed when concentrated ammonia solution is added to this precipitate.

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(iii) State why the silver nitrate is acidified when testing for iodide ions.

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(f) Consider the following reaction in which iodide ions behave as reducing agents.



(i) In terms of electrons, state the meaning of the term *reducing agent*.

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(ii) Write a half-equation for the conversion of chlorine into chloride ions.

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(iii) Suggest why iodide ions are stronger reducing agents than chloride ions.

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Fluorine and iodine are elements in Group 7 of the Periodic Table.

(a) Explain why iodine has a higher melting point than fluorine.

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(b) (i) Draw the shape of the  $\text{NHF}_2$  molecule and the shape of the  $\text{BF}_3$  molecule.

Include any lone pairs of electrons that influence the shape. In each case name the shape.

Shape of  $\text{NHF}_2$

Shape of  $\text{BF}_3$

Name of shape of  $\text{NHF}_2$  .....

Name of shape of  $\text{BF}_3$  .....

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(ii) Suggest a value for the F—N—F bond angle in  $\text{NH}_2\text{F}$

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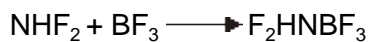
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(c) State the strongest type of intermolecular force in a sample of  $\text{NH}_2\text{F}$

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(d) A molecule of  $\text{NH}_2\text{F}$  reacts with a molecule of  $\text{BF}_3$  as shown in the following equation.



State the type of bond formed between the N atom and the B atom in  $\text{F}_2\text{HNBF}_3$ .

Explain how this bond is formed.

Name of type of bond .....

How bond is formed .....

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