

CHM 130: Chapter 15 Homework Answer Key

- 1) Check all of the following that are **properties of acids**:
 - a) produce hydrogen ions, H^+ , in solution
 - d) taste sour
 - g) turn blue litmus paper red
- 2) Check all of the following that are **properties of bases**:
 - b) produce hydroxide ions, OH^- , in solution
 - c) taste bitter
 - e) feel soapy or slippery
 - f) turn red litmus paper blue
- 3) Check all of the substances below that are **strongly acidic**:
 - c) lime juice, $pH=1.8$
 - g) stomach acid, $pH=1$

Explanation: Strongly acidic substances have a pH between 0 and 2. Thus, the following substances are strongly acidic: lime juice ($pH=1.8$) and stomach acid ($pH=1$).

- 4) Check all of the substances below that are **weakly acidic**:
 - b) champagne, $pH=3.7$
 - h) carbonated soda, $pH=4.0$

Explanation: Weakly acidic substances have a pH between 2 and 7. Thus, the following substances are weakly acidic: champagne ($pH=3.7$) and carbonated soda ($pH=4.0$).

- 5) Check all of the substances below that are **neutral**:
 - d) NaCl, $pH=7.0$

Explanation: Neutral substances have a pH exactly equal to 7. Thus, NaCl ($pH=7.0$) is neutral.

- 6) Check all of the substances below that are **weakly basic**:
 - a) egg white, $pH=7.9$
 - e) baking soda, $pH=8.3$

Explanation: Weakly basic substances have a pH between 7 and 12. Thus, the following substances are weakly basic: egg white ($pH=7.9$) and baking soda ($pH=8.3$).

- 7) Check all of the substances below that are **strongly basic**:
 - f) oven cleaner, $pH=13.5$
 - i) drain cleaner, $pH=13$

Explanation: Strongly basic substances have a pH between 12 and 14. Thus, the following substances are strongly basic: oven cleaner ($pH=13.5$) and drain cleaner ($pH=13$).

- 8) An acid-base _____ is a solution that is pH sensitive and changes color with changes in the pH.

Answer: indicator

- 9) An acid-base _____ is the gradual addition of a standard solution to another solution of unknown concentration until the reaction between the two is complete as signaled by the indicator changing color.

Answer: titration

- 10) The _____ of an acid-base neutralization reaction corresponds to the point when one reactant has completely reacted with the other as evidenced by the indicator changing color.

Answer: endpoint

- 11) Determine the pH for the following: shampoo, $[H^+] = 0.000001 M$

We can relate the hydrogen ion concentration, $[H^+]$, and pH as follows: $[H^+] = 10^{-pH}$.

Thus, if $[H^+] = 0.000001 \text{ M} = 10^{-6}$ **pH=6.**

12) Determine the pH for the following: egg white, $[H^+] = 0.00000001 \text{ M}$

Thus, if $[H^+] = 0.00000001 \text{ M} = 10^{-8}$ **pH=8.**

13) Determine the pH for the following: soda, $[H^+] = 0.001 \text{ M}$

Thus, if $[H^+] = 0.001 \text{ M} = 10^{-3}$ **pH=3.**

14) Determine the pH for the following: coffee, $[H^+] = 0.00001 \text{ M}$

Thus, if $[H^+] = 0.00001 \text{ M} = 10^{-5}$ **pH=5.**

15) Calculate the pH of urine which has a pOH of 9.25.

Since **pH + pOH = 14.00**, **pH = 14.00 – 9.25 = 4.75.**

16) Calculate the pOH of saliva which has a pH of 6.55.

Since **pH + pOH = 14.00**, **pOH = 14.00 – 6.55 = 7.45.**

17) Calculate the pOH of blood which has a pH of 7.50.

Since **pH + pOH = 14.00**, **pOH = 14.00 – 7.50 = 6.50.**

18) Pure water has a pH of _____.

Explanation: Pure water has a pH of 7 since it is neutral.

19) Consider the following reaction: **$H_2O(l) + NH_3(aq) \rightarrow NH_4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$** .

Check all the statements below that are correct.

a) $H_2O(l)$ is an Arrhenius acid and a Bronsted-Lowry acid.

h) $NH_3(aq)$ is a Bronsted-Lowry base but not an Arrhenius base.

Explanation: In the reaction above, **NH_3 gained a proton (H^+) while H_2O lost a proton (H^+), so NH_3 is a Bronsted-Lowry base and H_2O is a Bronsted-Lowry acid.** Because an Arrhenius acid also releases protons (H^+), **H_2O is also an Arrhenius acid.** However, an Arrhenius base releases OH^- . **Because NH_3 does not release OH^- , it is not an Arrhenius base.**

20) Consider the following reaction: **$HBr(aq) + H_2PO_4^-(aq) \rightarrow H_3PO_4(aq) + Br^-(aq)$** .

Check all the statements below that are correct.

a) $HBr(aq)$ is an Arrhenius acid and a Bronsted-Lowry acid.

h) $H_2PO_4^-(aq)$ is a Bronsted-Lowry base but not an Arrhenius base.

Explanation: In the reaction above, **$H_2PO_4^-(aq)$ gained a proton (H^+) while $HBr(aq)$ lost a proton (H^+), so $H_2PO_4^-(aq)$ is a Bronsted-Lowry base and $HBr(aq)$ is a Bronsted-Lowry acid.** Because an Arrhenius acid also releases protons (H^+), **$HBr(aq)$ is also an Arrhenius acid.** However, an Arrhenius base releases OH^- . **Because $H_2PO_4^-(aq)$ does not release OH^- , it is not an Arrhenius base.**