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#### **2010 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

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1. Which chemistry paper type is given to you

- A. Type A
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- C. Type C
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2. Which of the following is an example of a mixture?

- A. Common salt
- B. Blood
- C. Sand
- D. Washing soda

3. Calculate the percentage by mass of nitrogen in calcium trioxonitrate (V)

[Ca = 40, N = 14, O = 16]

A. 8.5% B. 13.1% C. 17.1% D. 27.6% 4. The droplets of water observed around a bottle of milk taken out of the refrigerator is due to the fact that the

 A. water vapour in the air around the bottle gains some energy from the bottle

B. temperature of the milk drops as it loses heat into the surroundings

C. saturated vapour pressure of the milk is equal to the atmospheric pressure

 D. water vapour in the air around the bottle loses some of its energy to the bottle

5. The volume of a given gas is Vcm<sup>3</sup> P mm Hg. what is the new volume of the gas if the pressure is reduced to half at constant temperature?

A. 4 V cm3
B. 2 V cm3
C. *V*/2 cm3
D. V cm3

6. Moving from left to right across a period, the general rise in the first ionization energy can be attributed to the

A. decrease in nuclear chargeB. increase in nuclear chargeC. decrease in screening effectD. increase in screening effect

7. How many unpaired electron(s) are there in the nitrogen sublevels?

A. 3

B. 2

C. 1

D. none

8. The stability of the noble gases is due to the fact that they

A. have no electron in their outermost shells

B. have duplet or octet electron configurations

C. belong to group zero of the periodic table

D. are volatile in nature

9. The maximum number of electrons in the L shell of an atom is

- A. 2
- B. 8
- C. 18
- D. 32

10. Elements in the same period in the periodic table have the same

A. number of shells

- B. atomic number
- C. chemical properties
- D. physical properties

11.  ${}^{2}_{1}D + {}^{3}_{1}T \rightarrow {}^{4}_{2}He + {}^{1}_{0}n + energy$ The reaction above illustrates

A. alpha decayB. artificial transmutationC. nuclear fusionD. nuclear fission

12. A noble gas with a high powerof fog penetration used inaerodrome beacons is

A. krypton

B. argon

C. helium

D. neon

13. Permanent hardness of water can be removed by

- A. filtration
- B. adding slaked lime

C. adding caustic soda

D. boiling

14. Substance employed as drying agents are usually

A. amphoteric

B. hydroscopic

C. efflorescent

D. acidic

15. Calculate the solubility in mol  $dm^{-3}$  of 40g of CuSO<sub>4</sub> dissolved in 100g of water at 120°C.

[Cu = 64, S = 32, O = 16]

A. 4.00

- B. 2.50
- C. 0.40

D. 0.25

16. Coffee stains can best be removed by

A. KeroseneB. turpentineC. a solution of borax in waterD. ammonia solution

17. Carbon (II) oxide is considered dangerous if inhaled mainly because it

A. can cause injury to the nervous system

B. competes with oxygen in the blood

C. competes with carbon (IV) oxide in the blood

D. can cause lung cancer

18. The acid that is used to remove rust is

A. boric B. hydrochloric C. trioxonitrate (V)

D. tetraoxosulphate (VI)

19. Calculate the volume of 0.5 A. HNO<sub>3(ag)</sub> mol dm<sup>-3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> that is neutralized B.  $H_2O_{(I)}$ by 25 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.1 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH C. PH<sub>3(g)</sub> D. AgNO<sub>3(ag)</sub> A. 5.0 cm<sup>3</sup> B. 2.5 cm<sup>3</sup> 23. The IUPAC nomenclature of C. 0.4 cm<sup>3</sup> the compound LiAlH4 is D. 0.1 cm<sup>3</sup> Α. lithiumtetrahydridoaluminate 20. The colour of methyl orange (III) in alkaline medium is B. aluminium tetrahydrido lithium C. tetrahydrido lithium aluminate A. yellow (III) D. lithium aluminium hydride B. pink C. orange D. red 24. Iron can be protected from corrosion by coating the surface 21. Which of the following salts is with slightly soluble in water? A. gold B. silver A. AgCl C. copper B. CaSO<sub>4</sub> D. zinc C.  $Na_2CO_3$ D. PbCl<sub>2</sub> 25. What quantity of aluminium is 22.  $6AgNO_{4(aq)} + PH_{3(q)} + 3H_2O_{(l)}$ deposited when a current of 10A  $\rightarrow 6Ag_{(s)} + H_3PO_{3(q)} + 6HNO_{3(aq)}$ is passed through a solution of an aluminium salt for 1930s? In the above reaction, the

[AI = 27, F = 96500 C mol-1]

reducing agent is

A. 0.2 g B. 1.8 g C. 5.4 g

D. 14.2 g

26. In which of the following is the entropy change positive?

A. Thermal dissociation of ammonium chloride

B. Reaction between an acid and a base

C. Addition of concentrated acid to water

D. Dissolution of sodium metal in water

27. If a reaction is exothermic and there is a great disorder, it means that

A. the reaction is static

B. the reaction is in a state of equilibrium

C. there will be a large increase in free energy

D. there will be a large decrease in free energy 28. In the preparation of oxygen by heating  $KClO_3$  in the presence of  $MnO_2$ , only moderate heat is needed because the catalyst acts by

A. lowering the pressure of the reaction

B. increasing the surface area of the reactant

C. increase the rate of the reaction

D. lowering the energy barrier of the reaction

29.



The graph above demonstrate the effect of

A. surface area on the rate of reaction

B. catalyst on the rate of reaction

C. pressure on the rate reactionD. concentration on the rate of reaction

30.  $2H_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)} \Leftrightarrow 2H_2O_{(g)} \Delta H =$ ve. What happens to the equilibrium constant of the reaction above if the temperature is increased?

- A. it is unaffected
- B. it becomes zero
- C. it decrease
- D. it increases

31. To a solution of an unknown compound, a little dilute tetraoxosulphate (VI) acid was added with some freshly prepared iron (II) tetraoxosulphate (VI) solution. The brown ring observed after the addition of a stream of concentrated tetraoxosulphate (VI) acid confirmed the presence of

A. CO

- B. Cl-
- C. SO

D. NO

32.



In the diagram above, the gas produced is

- A. NO
- B. NO<sub>2</sub>
- C.  $N_2O$
- $\mathsf{D.}\ \mathsf{N_2O_4}$

33. Which of the following is used in rocket fuels?

A. HNO<sub>3</sub> B. CH<sub>3</sub>COOH C. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> D. HCl

34. In the diagram below, the purpose of the asbestos to



- A. absorb impurities
- B. catalyse the reaction
- C. solidify the gas
- D. dry the gas

35. A constituent common to bronze and solder is

- A. lead
- B. silver
- C. copper

D. tin

36. When iron is exposed to moist air, it gradually rusts. This is due to the formation of

A. hydrate iron (III) oxideB. anhydrous iron (III) oxideC. anhydrous iron (II) oxide

D. hydrate iron (II) oxide

37. A compound gives an orangered colour to non-luminous flame. This compound is likely to contain

38. Stainless steel is used for making

- A. magnets
- B. tools
- C. coins and medals
- D. moving parts of clocks

39. The residual solids from the fractional distillation of petroleum are used as

A. coatings of pipesB. raw materials for the cracking process

C. fuel for the driving tractors

D. fuel for jet engines

40.

# CH<sub>3</sub> (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub> CHC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>

The IUPAC nomenclature of the compound above is

- A. 4 ethyloctane
- B. 5 ethyloctane
- C. 5 propylheptane
- D. 3 propylheptane

41. Which of the following is used as fuel in miners' lamp?

- A. Ethanal
- B. Ethyne
- C. Ethene
- D. Ethane

42. Which of the following organic compounds is very soluble in water?

- A. CH₃COOH
- B.  $C_2H_2$
- C.  $C_2H_4$
- D. CH<sub>3</sub>COOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>

43. Benzene reacts with hydrogen in the presence of nickel catalyst at 180°C to give

- A. xylene
- B. toluene
- C. cyclopentane
- D. cyclohexane

44. Which of the following is used to hasten the ripening of fruit?

- A. Ethene
- B. Ethanol
- C. Ethyne
- D. Ethane

45. The final products of the reaction between methane and chlorine in the presence of ultraviolet light are hydrogen chloride and

A. tricloromethane

- B. dichloromethane
- C. tetrachloromethane
- D. chloromethane

46. The correct order of increasing boiling points of the following compounds  $C_3H_7OH$ ,  $C_7H_{16}$  and  $C_4H_{10}$  is

A.  $C_3H_7OH \rightarrow C_4H_{10} \rightarrow C_7H_{16}$ B.  $C_4H_{10} \rightarrow C_7H_{16} \rightarrow C_3H_7OH$ C.  $C_7H_{16} \rightarrow C_3H_7OH \rightarrow C_4H_{10}$ D.  $C_4H_{10} \rightarrow C_3H_7OH \rightarrow C_7H_{16}$ 

47. One of the major uses of alkane is

A. as domestic and industrial fuelB. in the hydrogenation of oilsC. in the textile industries

D. in the production of plastics

48. The haloalkanes used in drycleaning industries are

Α.	trichloromethane	and	
tetrachloromethane			
В.	chloroethene	and	
dichloroethene			
C.	trichloroethene	and	
tetrachloroethene			
D.	chloroethane	and	
dichloroethane			

49. Two hydrocarbons X and Y were treated with bromine water.X decolorized the solution and Y did not not. Which class of compound does Y belong?

- A. Benzene
- B. Alkynes
- C. Alkenes
- D. Alkanes

50. The compound that is used as an anaesthetic is

- A. CCl<sub>4</sub> B. CH Cl<sub>3</sub>
- C.  $CH_2CI_2$
- D.  $CH_3CI$

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

A 2. B 3. C 4. D 5. B 6. B 7. A
 B 9. B 10. A 11. C 12. A 13. C
 B 15. B 16. D 17. B 18. B
 B 20. A 21. B 22. C 23. A
 D 25. B

26. A 27. C 28. D 29. A 30. C
31. D 32. A 33. A 34. B 35. D

36. A 37. B 38. C 39. A 40. D
41. B 42. A 43. D 44. A 45. C
46. D 47. A 48. A 49. D 50. B

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## **2011 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

#### PAPER TYPE: B

1. Which question Paper Type of Chemistry is given to you?

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- B. Type B
- C. Type C
- D. Type D

2. What is the concentration of a solution containing 2g of NaOH in  $100 \text{ cm}^3$  of solution? [Na = 23, O = 16, H = 1]

A. 0.40 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>
B. 0.50 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>
C. 0.05 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>
D. 0.30 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

3. Which of the following properties is NOT peculiar to matter?

A. kinetic energy of particles increases from solid to gasB. Random motion of particles increases from liquid to gas

C. Orderliness of particles increases from gas to liquidD. Random motion of particles increases from gas to solid

4. The principle of column chromatography is based on the ability of the constituents to

A. move at different speeds in the column

B. dissolve in each other in the column

C. react with the solvent in the column

D. react with each other in the column

5.



From the diagram above, an ideal can be represented by

Α. Μ

B. N

- C. K
- D. L

6. Which of the following questions is correct about the periodic table?

 A. The non-metallic properties of the elements tend to decrease across each period

B. The valence electrons of the elements increase progressively across the period

C. Elements in the same group have the same number of electron shells

D. Elements in the same period have the number of valence electrons

7. The relative atomic mass of a naturally occurring lithium consisting of 90% Li and 10% Li is

A. 6.9

B. 7.1

C. 6.2 D. 6.8

 An isotope has an atomic number of 15 and a mass number of 31. The number of protons it contain is

A. 16

B. 15

- C. 46
- D. 31

9. The molecular lattice of iodine is held together by

- A. dative bond
- B. metallic bond
- C. hydrogen bond
- D. van der Waal's forces

10. The arrangement of particles in crystal lattices can be studied using

A. X - rays B. γ - rays C. α - rays D. β – rays



From the diagram above, find the amount of solute deposited when  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  of the solution is cooled from 55°C to 40°C

A. 0.10 mole

B. 0.20mole

C. 0.01 mole

D. 0.02 mole

12. The importance of sodium aluminate (III) in the treatment of water is to

A. cause coagulation

B. neutralize acidity

C. prevent goitre and tooth decay D. kill germs

13. What type of bond exits between an element X with atomic number 12 and Y with atomic number 17?

A. Electrovalent

B. Metallic

C. Covalent

D. Dative

 Hardness of water is mainly due to the presence of

A. calcium hydroxide or magnesium hydroxide
B. calcium trioxocarbonate (IV) or calcium tetraoxosulphate (VI)
C. sodium hydroxide or magnesium Hydroxide
D. calcium chloride or sodium chloride salts

15. A suitable solvent for iodine and nephthalene is

A. carbon (IV) sulphide

B. ethanol

C. water

D. benzene

16. Which of the following noble gases is commonly found in the atmosphere?

A. Xenon	potassium aluminium
B. Neon	tetraoxosulphate (VI)?
C. Helium	
D. Argon	A. 3
	B. 4
17. $N_2O_{4(g)} \Leftrightarrow 2NO_{2(g)} \Delta H = +ve$	C. 1
In the reaction above, an increase	D. 2
in temperature will	
	20. Which of the following is <b>NOT</b>
A. increase the value of the	an alkali?
equilibrium constant	
B. decreases the value of the	A. NH <sub>3</sub>
equilibrium constant	B. Mg(OH) <sub>2</sub>
C. increase in the reactant	C. Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>
production	D. NaOH
D. shift the equilibrium to the left	
	21. An effect of thermal pollution
18. $CH_3COOH_{(aq)} + OH_{(aq)} \Leftrightarrow$	on water bodies is that the
$CH_3COO{(aq)} + H_2O_{(l)}$	
In the reaction above, $CH_3COO^-$	A. volume of water reduces
<sub>(aq)</sub> is	B. volume of chemical waste
	increase
A. conjugate base	C. level of oxides of nitrogen
B. acid	increase
C. base	D. level of oxygen reduces
D. conjugate acid	
	22. Which of the following is a
19. How many cations will be	deliquescent compound?
produced from a solution of	

- A. Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
- B.  $CaCl_2$
- C. CuO

D. Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>. 10H<sub>2</sub>O

23. A chemical reaction which the hydration energy is greater than the lattice energy is referred to as

- A. a spontaneous reaction
- B. an endothermic reaction
- C. an exothermic reaction
- D. a reversible reaction

24. The function of zinc electrode in a galvanic cell is that it

A. undergoes reductionB. serves as the positive electrodeC. production electronsD. uses up electrons

25.  $CH_{4(g)} + CI_{2(g)} \rightarrow CH_3CI_{(s)} + HCI_{(g)}$ 

The major factor that influence the rate of the reaction above is

- A. catalyst
- B. temperature

C. concentration D. light

26. The condition required for corrosion to take place is the presence of

A. water and carbon (IV) oxideB. water, carbon (IV) oxide andoxygen

C. oxygen and carbon (IV) oxide

D. water and oxygen

27.



In the diagram above, X is the

- A. enthalpy
- B. enthalpy change
- C. activation energy
- D. activated complex

28. The diagram below best illustrates the effect of decrease in



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- A. concentration
- B. temperature
- C. surface area
- D. pressure

29.  $MnO_{4(aq)}^{-} + Y + 5Fe^{2+}_{(aq)} \rightarrow Mn^{2+}_{(aq)} + 5Fe^{2+}_{(aq)} + 4H_2O_{(I)}$ 

In the equation above, Y is A.  $5H^{+}_{(aq)}$ B.  $4H^{+}_{(aq)}$ C.  $10H^{+}_{(aq)}$ D.  $8H^{+}_{(aq)}$ 

30. Given that M is the mass of a substance deposited during electrolysis and Q is the quantity of electricity consumed, then Faraday's first law can be written as

[Electrochemical equivalent]

A. M = 
$$\frac{E}{Q}$$
  
B. M = EQ  
C. M =  $\frac{Q}{E}$   
D. M =  $\frac{E}{20}$ 

31. The impurities formed during the laboratory preparation of chlorine gas are removed by

A. H₂O B. NH₃ C. H₂SO₄ D. HCl

32. The effect of the presence of impurities such as carbon and sulphur on iron is that they

A. give it high tensile strength

- B. make it malleable and ductile
- C. increase its melting point
- D. lower its melting point

33. A few drops of concentrated  $HNO_3$  is added to an unknown solution and boiled for a while. If

this produces a brown solution, the cation presents are likely to be

- A. Pb<sup>2+</sup>
- B. Cu<sup>2+</sup>
- C. Fe<sup>3+</sup>
- D. Fe<sup>2+</sup>

34. The bleaching action of chlorine gas is effective due to the presence of

- A. hydrogen chloride
- B. water
- C. air
- D. oxygen

35. In the laboratory preparation of oxygen, dried oxygen is usually collected over

- A. hydrochloric acid
- B. mercury
- C. calcium chloride
- D. tetraoxosulphate (VI) acid

36. The property of concentrated  $H_2SO_4$  that makes it suitable for preparing  $HNO_3$  is its

A. boiling point

B. density

- C. oxidizing properties
- D. dehydrating properties

37. Bronze is preferred to copper in the making of medals because it

A. is stronger

- B. can withstand low temperature
- C. is lighter
- D. has low tensile strength

38. The constituents of baking powder that makes the dough to rise is

A. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> B. NaOH C. Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> D. NaCl 39. Which of the following compound is used as a gaseous fuel?

A.  $CH_3 - C = CH$ B.  $CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_3$ I OH C.  $CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - COOH$ D.  $CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_3$ 

40. The ability of carbon to form long chains is referred to as

- A. alkylation
- B. acylation
- C. catenation
- D. carbonation

41. Which of the following compounds will undergo polymerization reaction?

A.  $C_2H_4$ 

B. C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>COOH

C.  $C_2H_6$ 

D.  $C_2H_5OH$ 



The compound above exhibits

- A. geometric isomerism
- B. optical isomerism
- C. structural isomerism
- D. positional isomerism

43. An organic compound has an empirical formula  $CH_2O$  and vapour density of 45. What is the molecular formula? [C = 12, H = 1, O = 16]

A.  $C_{3}H_{7}OH$ B.  $C_{2}H_{5}OH$ C.  $C_{3}H_{6}O_{3}$ D.  $C_{2}H_{4}O_{2}$ 

$$zymase$$
44.  $C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2C_2H_5OH + 2CO_2 +$ 
energy  $25^{\circ}c$ 

The reaction above represented by the equation above is useful in the production of

- A. propanol
- B. butanol
- C. methanol
- D. ethanol

45. The number of isomers that can be obtained from  $C_4H_{10}$  is

A. 3

- B. 4
- C. 1
- D. 2
- 46.



The functional groups present in the compound above are

- A. alkene and halo-group
- B. hydroxyl and chloro-group
- C. alkene and chloro-group

D. hydroxyl and halo-group

47. 7. A. (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>N B. CH<sub>3</sub>NH, C. CH<sub>3</sub>C - NH<sub>2</sub> D. (CH\_),NH

Which of the following is a primary amine?

A. A

- B. B
- C. C
- D. D

48. Two organic compounds K and L were treated with a few drops of Fehling's solutions respectively. K formed a brick red precipitate while L, remains unaffected. The compound K is an

- A. alkanol
- B. alkane
- C. alkanal
- D. alkanone

49. Which of the following statements is true about 2- methylpropane and butane

A. They are members of the same homologous series

B. They have the same boiling point

C. They have different number of carbon atoms

D. They have the same chemical properties

50.  $CH_3COOH + C_2H_5OH \rightarrow CH_3COOC_2H_5 + H_2O \qquad H_2SO_4$ 

The reaction above is best described as

- A. esterification
- B. Condensation
- C. saponification
- D. neutralization

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

B 2. B 3. D 4. A 5. B 6. B 7. B 9. D 10. A 11. B 12. A 13. A
 B 15. B 16. D 17. A 18. A

19. D 20. A 21. D 22. B 23. C
24. C 25. D

26. D 27. B 28. A 29. A 30. B
31. A 32. D 33. D 34. B 35. D
36. C 37. C 38. A 39. D 40. C
41. A 42. B 43. C 44. D 45. D
46. B 47. B 48. C 49. A 50. A

#### **2012 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

#### PAPER TYPE: RED

1. Which Question Paper Type of Chemistry is given to you?

A. Type GreenB. Type Purple

C. Type Red

D. Type Yellow

2. Which of the following methods can be used to obtain pure water from a mixture of sand, water and methanoic acid?

A. neutralization with NaOH followed by filtration

B. neutralization with NaOH followed by distillation

C. fractional distillation

D. filtration followed by distillation

3. How many atoms are present in 6.0g of magnesium?  $[Mg = 24, NA = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}]$ 

A. 1.20 x 10<sup>22</sup>
B. 2.41 x 10<sup>22</sup>

C. 1.51 x 10<sup>23</sup> D. 3.02 x 10<sup>23</sup>

4. 50 cm3 of gas was collected over water at 10oC and 765 mm Hg. Calculate the volume of the gas at s.t.p. if the saturated vapour pressure of water at 10°C is 5mm Hg

A. 49.19 cm3
B. 48.87 cm3
C. 48.55 cm3
D. 48.23 cm3

5. An increase in the pressure exerted on gas at a constant temperature result in

A. a decrease in the number of effective collisionsB. a decrease in volumeC. an increase in the average intermolecular distanceD. an increase in volume

6.  $2H_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)} \rightarrow 2H_2O_{(g)}$ 

In the reaction above, what volume of hydrogen would be left over when 300 cm3 of oxygen and 1000 cm3 of hydrogen are exploded in a sealed tube?

A. 200 cm3

B. 400 cm3

C. 600 cm3

D. 700 cm3

7. I. Evaporation.
 II. Sublimation.
 III. Diffusion.

IV. Brownian motion.

Which of the above can correctly be listed as evidences for the particulate nature of matter?

A. I and III only B. II and IV only C. I, II and III only D. I, II, III and IV

8. If the elements X and Y have atomic numbers 11 and 17 respectively, what type of bond can they form? A. Dative

B. Covalent

C. Ionic

D. Metallic

 A hydrogen atom which has lost an electron contains

A. one proton onlyB. one neutron onlyC. one proton and one neutronD. one proton, one electron and one neutron

10. The electronic configuration of  $Mg^{2+}$  is

A. 1s<sup>2</sup> 2s<sup>2</sup> 2P<sup>6</sup> 3s<sup>2</sup> 3P<sup>2</sup>
B. 1s<sup>2</sup> 2s<sup>2</sup> 2P<sup>6</sup> 3s<sup>2</sup>
C. 1s<sup>2</sup> 2s<sup>2</sup> 2p<sup>6</sup>
D. 1s<sup>2</sup> 2s<sup>2</sup> 2P<sup>4</sup>

11. Group VII elements are

A. monoatomic

- B. good oxidizing agents
- C. highly electropositive
- D. electron donors

12. Which of the following is used to study the arrangement of particles in crystal lattices?

- A. Alpha-particles
- B. Beta-particles
- C. Gamma-rays
- D. X-rays

13. I. It has a varied composition from one place to another.

II. its constituents can be separated by physical meansIII. It contains unreactive noble gases which of the above shows that air is a mixture?

A. I and II only B. II and III only C. I and III only D. I, II and III

14. The chemicals used to soften hard water involves the addition of

A. insoluble sodium compounds which from soluble solutions of calcium and magnesium B. soluble sodium compounds
which from soluble solutions of
calcium and magnesium ions
C. soluble sodium compounds
which from insoluble precipitates
of calcium and magnesium ions
D. insoluble precipitates of
calcium and magnesium ions

15. Chlorination of water for town supply is carried out to

A. make the water colourlessB. remove germs from the waterC. make the water tastefulD. remove odour from the water

16. The solubilities of different solutes in a given solvent can be compared by

A. plotting their solubility curves on separate axesB. plotting their solubility curves on the same axesC. plotting some of the solubility curves on the x-axis and others on the y-axis D. plotting their solubility curves on the x-axis only

17. Potassium trioxochlorate (V) has a solubility of 1.5 moldm<sup>-3</sup> at  $45^{\circ}$ C. On cooling this solution to a temperature of  $20^{\circ}$ C, the solubility was found to be 0.5 mol dm<sub>-3</sub>. What mass of KCIO<sub>3</sub> was crystalized out?

[K = 39, Cl = 35.5 O = 16]

A. 1.00g

B. 10.00g

C. 12.25g

D. 122.50g

18. Which of the following pollutants is associated with brain damage?

A. Carbon (II) oxide

B. Radioactive fallout

C. Biodegradable waste

D. Sulphur (IV) oxide

19. Which of the following will produce a solution with pH less than 7 at equivalent point?

A.  $HNO_3 + NaOH$ B.  $H_2SO_4 + KOH$ C.  $HC + Mg(OH)_2$ D.  $HNO_3 + KOH$ 

20. The number of hydroxonium ions produced by one molecule of an acid in aqueous solution is its

A. basicity

B. acid strength

C. pH

D. concentration

21. During a titration experiment, 0.05 moles of carbon (IV) oxide is liberated. What is the volume of gas liberated?

A. 22.40 dm3 B. 11.20 dm3 C. 2.24 dm3 D. 1.12 dm3

22. A major factor considered in selecting a suitable method for preparing a simple salt is its

A. Crystalline form

B. melting pointC. reactivity with dilute acidsD. solubility in water

23. The oxidation number of boron in NaBH<sub>4</sub> is

A. -3 B. -1 C. +1 D. +3

24.  $2Na_2O_{2(s)} + 2H_2O_{2(l)} \rightarrow 4$ NaOH<sub>(s)</sub> +O<sub>2(s)</sub> The substance that is oxidized in the reaction above is

A. 2NaO<sub>2(s)</sub> B. NaOH<sub>(aq)</sub> C. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>(l)</sub> D. O<sub>2(g)</sub>

25. What number of moles of Cu<sup>2+</sup> will be deposited by 360 coulombs of electricity?
[f = 96500 C mol<sup>-1</sup>]

A. 5.36 x 10<sup>-4</sup> mole B. 1.87 x 10<sup>-3</sup> mole C. 9.35 x  $10^{-4}$  mole D. 3.73 x  $10^{-3}$  mole

26. A metal M displaces zinc from ZnCl, solution. This shows that

A. electrons flow from zinc to MB. M is more electropositive than zinc

C. M is more electronegative than zinc

D. zinc is more electropositive than M

27.  $CO_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} + H_{2(g)}$ Calculate the standard heat change of the reaction above, if the standard enthalpies of formation of  $CO_{2(g)}$ ,  $H_2O_{(g)}$  and  $CO_{(g)}$  and  $CO_{(g)}$  in KJ mol<sup>-1</sup> are -394, -242 and -110 respectively.

A. + 262 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup> B. - 262 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup> C. + 42 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup> D. - 42 KJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

28. An increase in entropy can best be illustrated by

A. mixing of gases					
B. freezing of water					
C. the condensation of vapour					
D. solidifying candle wax					
29. The highest rate of production					
of carbon (IV) oxide can be					
achieved using					
A. 0.05 mol <sup>-3</sup> HCI and 5g					
powdered CaCO <sub>3</sub>					
B. 0.05 mol <sup>-3</sup> HCl and 5g lump					
CaCO <sub>3</sub>					
C. 0.10 mol <sup>-3</sup> HCI and 5g					
powdered CaCO <sub>3</sub>					
D. 0.025 mol <sup>-3</sup> HCI and 5g					
powdered CaCO <sub>3</sub>					

30.



 $2HCI_{(aq)} + CaCO_{3(S)} \rightarrow CaCI_{2(s)} + CO_{2(g)} + H_2O_{(I)}$ 

From the reaction above, which of the curves represents the

production of CO<sub>2</sub> gas as dilute HCl is added?

A. L

- B. M
- C. N
- D. P

31.  $2CO_{(g)} + O_{2(g)} \Leftrightarrow 2CO_{2(g)}$ 

In the reaction above, high pressure will favour the forward reaction because

A. high pressure favours gas formation

B. the reaction is in dynamic equilibrium

C. the reaction is exothermic

D. the process occurs with a decrease in volume

32. A piece of filter paper moistened with lead (II) ethanoate solution turns black when the paper is dropped into a gas likely to be

A. sulphur (VI) oxide

B. hydrogen chloride

C. sulphur (VI) oxide

D. hydrogen sulphide

33. Which of the following gases has a characteristic pungent smell, turns red litmus paper blue and forms dense white fumes with hydrogen chloride gas?

A. N<sub>2</sub>

B.  $N_2O$ 

C.  $CI_2$ 

D.  $NH_3$ 

34. Commercial bleaching can be carried out using

A. sulphur (IV) oxide and ammonia

B. hydrogen sulphide and chlorineC. chlorine and sulphur (IV) oxide

D. ammonia and chlorine

35. Mineral acids are usually added to commercial hydrogen peroxide to

A. oxidize it

B. decompose it

C. minimize its decomposition

D. reduce it to water and oxygen

36. Which of the following compounds will burn with a brick-red colour in a nonluminous Bunsen flame?

A. LiCI

B. NaCl

C. CaCIN<sub>2</sub>

D. MgCIN<sub>2</sub>

37. The purest form of iron which contains only about 0.1% carbon is

- A. pig iron
- B. wrought iron

C. cast iron

D. iron pyrite

38. A common characteristic between zinc and the other transition elements is the ability to

A. have variable oxidation states

B. from complex ions C. act as a catalyst D. from coloured ions 39. Which of the following metals is the least reactive? A. Pb B. Sn C. Hg D. Au 40. Geometric isomerism exist in A. hex-3-ene B. hexane C. prop-1-ene D. 3-methyl but -1-ene 41. Alkanals can be distinguished

from alkanones by the reaction with

- A. Sudan III stain
- B. starch iodide paper
- C. lithium tetrahydrido aluminate (|||)
- D. Fehling's solution

42. The isomers of  $C_3H_8O$  are

- A. 1 propanol and 2 propanol
- B. 1 propanol and 1 propanol
- C. 2 propanol and 2 propanone
- D. 2 propanol and 1 propanol

Carbohydrates 43. are large molecules with the molecular formula  $Cx(H_2O)y$ . In which of the following pairs is x not equal to y?

- A. glucose and starch
- B. maltose and starch
- C. sucrose and fructose
- D. maltose and starch

44. A compound contains 40.0% C, 6.7% H 53.3% O. If the molecular mass of the compound is 180, its molecular formula is [C =12, H =1, 0]

A.  $CH_2O$ B.  $C_3H_6O_3$ C.  $C_6H_6O_3$ D.  $C_6H_{12}O_6$ 

can

45. The alkyne that will give a white precipitate silver trioxonitrate (V) is

A.  $CH_3 CH_2 C \equiv CCH_2 CH_3$ B.  $CH_3 C \equiv CCH_2 CH_2 CH_3$ C.  $CH_3 CH_2 CH_2 CH_2 C \equiv CH$ D.  $CH_3 CH_2 CH_2 C \equiv CCH_2 CH_3$ 

46. The saponification of an alkanoate to produce soap and alkanol involves

- A. dehydration
- B. esterification
- C. hydrolysis
- D. oxidation

47. 2 - methyl propan -2- ol is an example of a

- A. primary alkanol
- B. secondary alkanol
- C. tertiary alkanol
- D. quaternary alkanol

48. The final oxidation product of alkanol, alkanal and alkanoes is

A. alkanoic acid

- B. alkanoyyl halide
- C. alkanoate
- D. alkanamide

49. Ethanol reacts with concentrated tetraoxosulphate (V) acid at a temperature above 170°C to form

A. ethanone

- B. ethene
- C. ethyne
- D. ethanal

50. An example of oxidation – reduction enzyme is

- A. amylase
- B. protease
- C. lipase
- D. dehydrogenase

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

C 2. D 3. C 4. D 5. B 6. B 7. D
 8. C 9. C 10. C 11. B 12. D 13. A
 14. C 15. B 16. B 17. D 18. B

19. C 20. B 21. D 22. D 23. D
24. A 25. B

26. B 27. C 28. A 29. C 30. No answer 31. D 32. D 33. D 34. C
35. C 36. C 37. B 38. B 39. D
40. A 41. D 42. A 43. A 44. D
45. C 46. C 47. C 48. A 49. B
50. D

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#### PAPER TYPE: I

1. Which Question Paper Type of Chemistry is given to you?

- A. Type D
- B. Type I
- C. Type B
- D. Type U

2. The presence of an impurity in substance will cause the melting point to

- A. be zero
- B. reduce
- C. increase
- D. be stable

3. What volume of carbon (II) oxide is produced by reacting excess carbon with 10dm<sup>3</sup> of oxygen?

A. 5 dm<sup>3</sup>
 B. 20 dm<sup>3</sup>

- C. 15 dm<sup>3</sup>
- C. 15 um
- D. 10 dm<sup>3</sup>



From the diagram above, an ideal gas is represented by

- A. M
- B. N
- С. К
- D. L

5. The rate of diffusion of a gas Y is twice that of Z If the relative molecular mass of Y is 64 and the two gases diffuse under the same conditions, find the relative molecular mass of Z

A. 32 B. 4 C. 8 D. 16 6. The radioisotope used in industrial radiography for the rapid checking of faults in welds and casting is

- A. Carbon-14
- B. phosphorus-32
- C. cobalt-60
- D. iodine-131

7. How many unpaired electrons are in the p-orbitals of a fluorine atom?

- A. 3
- B. 0
- C. 1
- D. 2

8. The radioactive emission with the least ionization power is

- A. a-particles
- B. X-rays
- C. γ-rays
- D.  $\beta$ -particles

9. The shape of the carbon (IV) oxide molecule is

A. pyramidal

- B. linear
- C. angular
- D. tetrahedral

10. Which of the following molecules is held together by hydrogen bond?

- A. CH4 B. HBr C. H₂SO₄
- D. HF

11. The bond formed between twoelementswithelectronconfigurations $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2$  and $1s^2 2s^2 2p^4$  is

A. metallicB. covalentC. dativeD. ionic

12. The constituent of air that acts as a diluent is

A. nitrogenB. carbon (IV) oxide

C. noble gases

D. oxygen

 Steam changes the colour of anhydrous cobalt (II) chloride from

A. white to red

B. blue to white

C. blue to pink

D. white to blue

14. An example of a hygroscopic substance is

A. CuO<sub>(S)</sub>.

B.  $MgCl_{2(S)}$ .

C.  $CaCl_{2(S)}$ .

D.  $NaOH_{(S)}$ .

15. If 24.4g of lead (II) trioxonitrate (V) were dissolved in 42 g of distilled water at 20°C; calculate the solubility of the solute in gdm<sup>-3</sup>.

A. 581.000

B. 0.581

C. 5.810

D. 58.100

16. The solvent used for removing grease stain is

A. turpentine

B. ammonia solution

C. ethanol

D. solution of borax in water

17. In a water body, too much sewage leads to

A. a decrease in the temperatureof the water which cause in deathof aquatic animalsB. an increase in the number of

aquatic animals in the water

C. an increase in the bacterial population which reduces the level of oxygen in the water

D. a decrease in the bacterial population which increases the level of oxygen in the water

18. 10.0 dm<sup>3</sup> of water was added to 2.0 moldm<sup>-3</sup> of 2.5dm<sup>3</sup> solution of HCI. What is the concentration of the final solution in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>?

A.	0.4
Β.	8.0

0.010

C. 2.0

D. 0.5

19. Three drops of a 1.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of HCl was added to 20cm<sup>3</sup> of a solution of pH6.4. The pH of the resulting solution will be

A. close to that of pure water

B. less than 6.4

C. greater than 6.4

D. unaltered

20. Which of the following substances is not a salt?

A. Aluminium oxide

B. Sodium hydrogen

trioxosulphate (V)

C. Sodium trioxocarbonate (V)

D. Zinc chloride

21. An insoluble salt can be prepared by

A. the reaction of trioxocarbonate(V) with an acid

B. double decompositionC. the action of dilute acid on an insoluble baseD. the reaction of metals with an acid

22.  $2H_2O_{(I)} + 2F_{2(g)} \rightarrow 4HF_{(aq)} + O_{2(g)}$ 

In the reaction above, the substance that is being reduced is

A. O<sub>2(g)</sub>
B. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>(l)</sub>
C. F<sub>2(g)</sub>
D. HF<sub>(ag)</sub>

23.  $Zn_{(s)} + CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow ZnSO_{4(aq)}$ +  $Cu_{(s)}$ In the reaction above, the oxidizing agent is

A.  $CuSO_{4(aq)}$ B.  $ZnSO_{4(aq)}$ C.  $Cu_{(s)}$ 

D. Zn<sub>(s)</sub>

24. In an electrochemical cell, polarization is caused by

A. chlorine

B. oxygen

C. tetraoxosulphate (VI) acid

D. hydrogen

25. Calculate the volume in cm<sup>3</sup> of oxygen evolved as s.t.p. when a current of 5 A is passed through acidified water for 193s  $\{F = 96500 \text{ Cmol}^{-1}, \text{ Molar volume}$ of a gas at s.t.p. = 22.4 dm<sup>3</sup> $\}$ 

A. 224.000 dm3 B. 0.056 dm3 C. 0.224 dm3 D. 56.000 dm3

26. In an endothermic reaction, if there is a loss in entropy the reaction will

- A. be indeterminate
- B. be spontaneous
- C. not be spontaneous
- D. be at equilibrium

27.  $2SO_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)} \Leftrightarrow 2SO_{3(g)}$  $\Delta H = -395.7 \text{kJmol}^{-1}$  In the reaction above, the concentration of  $SO_{3(g)}$  can be increased by

- A. decreasing the pressure
- B. decreasing the temperature
- C. increasing the temperature
- D. the addition of catalyst

28. The minimum amount of energy required for a reaction to take place is

- A. lattice energy
- B. ionization energy
- C. activation energy
- D. kinetic energy

29.



In the graph above, the activation energy of the catalyzed reaction is

A. 100KJ
A. prevent condensed water from B. 300KJ breaking the reaction flask C. 250KJ D. 200KJ B. enable the proper mixing of the reactions in the flask C. enhance the speed of the 30.  $3Fe_{(S)} + 4H_2O_{(q)} \rightleftharpoons Fe_3O_{4(s)} +$ 4H<sub>2(g)</sub>. reaction The equilibrium constant, K, of D. prevent the reaction above is represented precipitate as 33. Which of A.  $\frac{[Fe_3O_4][H_2]}{[Fe][H_2O]}$ employed as an anaesthesia? B.  $\frac{[H_2 0]^4}{[H_2]^4}$ A.  $N_2O$ C.  $\frac{[H_2]^4}{[H_20]^4}$ B.  $NO_2$ C. NH<sub>3</sub> D.  $\frac{[\text{Fe}]^3[\text{H}_2\text{O}]^2}{[\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4][\text{H}_2]^4}$ D. NO 31. Which of following the 34. Sulphur (IV) oxide is a strong compounds is a neutral oxide? reducing agent in the presence of water due to the formation of A. Carbon (IV) oxide B. Sulphur (VI) oxide A. hydroxide ion C. Sulphur (IV) oxide B. sulphur (VI) oxide D. Carbon (II) oxide C. hydrogen sulphide D. trioxosulphate (IV) salt 32. In the laboratory preparation of ammonia, the flask is placed in 35. A metal that forms soluble a slanting position so as to trioxosulphate (IV) ion is

formation

the

of

is

gases

- A. barium
- B. potassium
- C. manganese
- D. aluminium

36. Copper is displaced from the solution of its salts by most metals because it

A. is a transition elementB. is at the bottom of the activity series

C. is very reactive

D. has completely filled 3dorbitals

37. The coloured nature of transition metal ions are associated with their partially filled

- A. f- orbital
- B. s- orbital
- C. p-orbital
- D. d-orbital

38. Aluminium containers are frequently used to transport

trioxonitrate (V) acid because aluminium

- A. has a silvery-white appearance
- B. has a low density
- C. does not react with the acid
- D. does not corrode

39. 2-methylbutan-2-ol is an example of a

A. dihydric alkanol

- B. tertiary alkanol
- C. secondary alkanol
- D. primary alkanol

40. The reaction between ammonia and ethyl ethanoate produces

- A. propanol and ethanamide
- B. propanol and propanamide
- C. ethanol and propanamide
- D. ethanol and ethanamide

41. The decarboxylation of ethanoic acid will produce carbon(IV) oxide and

- A. methane
- B. ethane
- C. propane
- D. butane

42.



The compound above is an

- A. alkanone
- B. alkanoate
- C. alkanal
- D. alkanol

43. The compound that will react with sodium hydroxide to form salt and water is

- A.  $C_6H_{12}O_6$
- B. (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>COH
- C.  $CH_3CH=CH_2$
- D. CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH

44. Which of the following compounds in solution will turn red litmus paper blue?



45. The dehydration of ammonium salt of alkanoic acids produces a compound with the general formula



46. Which of the following fraction is used as raw material for the cracking process?

A. keroseneB. lubricating oilC. bitumenD. diesel oils

47. An organic compound with a pleasant smell is likely to have a general formula

A.  $C_nH_{2n+1}CHO$ B.  $C_nH_{2n+1}COOH$ C.  $C_nH_{2n+1}COOC_nH_{2n+1}$ D.  $C_nH_{2n+1}COC_nH_{2n+1}$ 

48. A primary amide is generally represented by the formula

A. RCOOR

- B.  $RCONH_2$
- C. RCONHR
- $\mathsf{D.}\;\mathsf{RCONR}_2$

49.

$$CH_{3} - C - CH_{2} - CH = CH_{2}$$

$$CH_{3} - CH_{3} - CH = CH_{2}$$

The IUPAC nomenclature for the compound above is

A. 4-methylpent-1-ene

B. 3-methylpent-2-ene

C. 2-methylpent-1-ene

D. 2-methylpent-4-ene

50. An organic compound contains 60% carbon, 13.3% hydrogen and 26.7% oxygen. Calculate the empirical formula (C=12, H=1, O=16)

A. C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O
B. C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O
C. C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>2</sub>
D. C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

B 2. B 3. B 4. A 5. D 6. C 7. C
 8. C 9. B 10. D 11. D 12. A 13. C
 14. A 15. A 16. B 17. C 18. A
 19. B 20. A 21. B 22. C 23. A
 24. D 25. B

26. C 27. B 28. C 29. A 30. C
31. D 32. A 33. A 34. D 35. B
36. A 37. D 38. B 39. D 40. D
41. A 42. A 43. D 44. C 45. B
46. B 47. B 48. B 49. A 50. B

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#### PAPER TYPE: E

1. Which Question Paper Type of Chemistry is given to you?

- A. Type F
- B. Type E
- C. Type L
- D. Type S

2. A mixture is different from a compound because

A. the properties of a compound of its individual are those while constituents those of а mixture differ from its constituents

B. a mixture is always
 homogeneous while a compound
 is not

C. the constituent of a compound are chemically bound together while those of a mixture are notD. a mixture can be represented by a chemical formula while a compound cannot

3. What is the percentage of sulphur in sulphur (IV) oxide?

- A. 66%
- B. 25%
- C. 40%
- D. 50%

4. A gas X diffuses twice as fast as gas Y. If the relative molecular mass of X is 32, calculate the relative molecular mass of Y.

- A. 128
- B. 8
- C. 16
- D. 64

5. 200cm<sup>3</sup> of a gas at 25°C exerts
a pressure of 700 mmHg.
Calculate its pressure if its volume
increases 350 cm<sup>3</sup> at 75°C.

A. 342.53 mmHg
B. 1430.54 mmHg
C. 467.11 mmHg
D. 400.00 mmHg

6. An element X has electron configuration  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^5$ . Which of the following statements is correct about the element?

A. It has a completely filled porbital

B. It has 5 electrons in its outermost shell.

C. It belongs to group II on the periodic table

D. It is a halogen

7. Beryllium and aluminium have similar properties because they

A. are both metals

B. belong to the same group

C. belong to the same period

D. are positioned diagonally to each other

8. If the difference in electronegativity of elements P and Q is 3.0. The bond that will be formed between them is

A. metallic

B. covalent

C. co-ordinate

D. ionic

9. How many protons, neutrons and electrons respectively are present in the element <sup>60</sup><sub>27</sub>Co?

A. 27, 33 and 33
B. 33, 27 and 27
C. 27, 33, and 27
D. 60, 33 and 60

10. The radioactive radiation used in studying the arrangement of particles in giant organic molecules is

A. γ- rays B. α- particles C. X- rays D. β – particles

11. A silicon-containing ore has 92% <sup>28</sup>Si, 5% <sup>29</sup>Si and 3% <sup>30</sup>Si. Calculate the relative atomic mass of the silicon.

A. 14.00 B. 29.00 C. 28.11 D. 28.00

12. The nitrogen obtained from air has a density higher than the one from nitrogen-containing compounds because the one from air is contaminated with

- A. water vapour
- B. oxygen
- C. rare gases
- D. carbon (IV) oxide

13. Water is said to be temporarily hard when it contains

A. Ca(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and Mg(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> salts
B. Ca(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and CaCO<sub>3</sub> salts
C. Mg(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and CaSO<sub>4</sub> salts
D. CaSO<sub>4</sub> and Ca(HCO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> salts

14. On exposure to the atmosphere, a hydrated salt loses its water of crystallization to become anhydrous. This phenomenon is referred to as

A. efflorescence

B. deliquescence

- C. hygroscopy
- D. hydrolysis

15. 16.55g of lead (II) trioxonitrate (V) was dissolved in 100g of distilled water at 20°C, calculate the solubility of the solute in moldm<sup>-3</sup> [Pb = 207, N = 14, O = 16]

A. 0.05 g B. 2.00 g C. 1.00 g D. 0.50 g

16. The dispersion of a liquid in a liquid medium will give

- A. an emulsion
- B. a fog
- C. a gel
- D. an aerosol

17. The major and most effective way of controlling pollution is to

A. improve machinery so that the A.  $\log_{10} [OH^{-}]$ B.  $\log_{10} \frac{1}{H_2 0^+}$ substances released from combustion are less harmful C.  $\log_{10} [H_3O^+]$ B. pass strict laws against it by D.  $\log_{10} \frac{1}{[OH^{-}]}$ individuals and companies C. educate people on the causes 21. Which of the following salts and effects of pollution will turn blue litmus red? D. convert chemical wastes to harmless substances before A. Sodium tetrahydroxozincate (II) releasing them into the B. Potassium hydrogen environment tetraoxosulphate (IV) C. Sodium trioxocarbonate (IV) 18. The basicity of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH is D. Zinc chloride hydroxide A. 4 22.  $Zn_{(s)}$  +  $CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow ZnSO_{4(aq)}$ B. 1  $+ Cu_{(s)}$ C. 2 In the reaction above, the D. 3 oxidation number of the reducing agent changes from 19. The colour of litmus in a neutral medium is A. 0 to +4 B. 0 to +2 A. purple C. +1 to +2 B. pink D. +1 to +3 C. yellow D. orange 23.  $H_2O_{(g)} + C_{(s)} \rightarrow H_{2(g)} + CO_{(g)}$ The oxidizing agent the in 20. The mathematical expression reaction above is of pH is

A. CO<sub>(g)</sub>
B. C<sub>(s)</sub>
C. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>(g)</sub>

D. H<sub>2(g)</sub>

24. Calculate the quantity of electricity in coulombs required to liberate 10g of copper from a copper compound [Cu=64, F = 96500 Cmol-1]

2 ,

- A. 32395.5
- B. 30156.3
- C. 60784.5

D. 15196.5

25. How many faraday ofelectricity is required to produce0.25 mole of copper?

A. 1.00F

B. 0.01F

- C. 0.05F
- D. 0.50F

26. **Z** in diagram below represents...



- A. heat of reaction
- B. activation energy
- C. free energy
- D. entropy of reaction

27. If the change in free energy of a system is -899 Jmol<sup>-1</sup> and the entropy change is 10Jmol<sup>-1</sup>k<sup>-1</sup> at 25°C, calculate the enthalpy change.

A. +2081 Jmol<sup>-1</sup>
B. -2081 Jmol<sup>-1</sup>
C. -649 Jmol<sup>-1</sup>
D. +649 Jmol<sup>-1</sup>

28. In an equilibrium reaction, which of the following conditions indicates that maximum yield of the product will be obtained? A. Equilibrium constant is very large B.  $\Delta H - T\Delta S = 0$ 

С. Δ Η > Т Δ S

D. Equilibrium constant is less than zero

29. In a chemical reaction, the change in concentration of a reactant with time is

A. entropy of reaction

- B. enthalpy of reaction
- C. rate of reaction
- D. order of reaction

30.  $Cr_2O^{2-}_{7(aq)} + H_2O_{(1)} \rightleftharpoons 2CrO^{2}_{4(aq)} + 2H^{+}_{(aq)}$ 

What happens to the reaction above when the hydrogen ion concentration is increased?

A. more of the products will be formed

B. the reaction will not proceed

C. the equilibrium position will shift to the right

D. the equilibrium position will shift to the left.

31. Which of the following will liberate hydrogen from dilute tetraoxosulphate (VI) acid?

- A. Lead
- B. Magnesium
- C. Copper
- D. Gold

# Use the diagram below to answer question 32 and 33.



32. In the diagram, the function of the concentrated  $H_2SO_4$  is to

A. purify the gas

- B. dry the gas
- C. liquefy the gas
- D. remove odour

33. The gas that is removed by the water in the flask is

A. O<sub>2</sub> B. SO<sub>2</sub> C. HCl D. H<sub>2</sub>

34. Fluorine does not occur in the free state in nature because

A. it is a poisonous gasB. it belongs to the halogen familyC. it is inert

D. of its high reactivity

35. In the extraction of sodium from fused sodium chloride, the anode is made of platinum because

A. sodium is formed at the anodeB. chlorine is formed at the anodeC. sodium does not react withplatinum

D. chlorine does not react with platinum

36. A compound that gives a brick-red colour to a non-luminous flame is likely to contain

A. copper ionsB. sodium ions

C. calcium ions D. aluminium ions

37. In the electrolytic extraction of calcium from calcium chloride, the cathode is

A. zinc

- B. graphite
- C. platinum
- D. iron

38. A few drops of NaOH solution was added to an unknown salt forming a white precipitate which is insoluble in excess solution. The cation likely present is

A. Zn<sup>2+</sup> B. Pb<sup>2+</sup> C. Ca<sup>2+</sup> D. Al<sup>3+</sup>

39. The general formula of haloalkanes where X represents the halide is

A. C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n-1</sub>X. B. C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n</sub>X. C. C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+2</sub> X D. CnH<sub>2n+1</sub>X

40.



The IUPAC nomenclature of the compound above is

- A. 2-bromo-3-chlorobutanol
- B. 3-bromo-2-chlorobutanol
- C. 3-chloro-2-bromobutanol
- D. 2-chloro-3-bromobutanol

41. The alkanol obtained from the production of soap is

- A. propanol
- B. ethanol
- C. glycerol
- D. methanol

42. Ethyne is passed through a hot tube containing organo-nickel catalyst to produce

- A. isoprene
- B. polythene
- C. ethanol
- D. benzene

43. Due to the unstable nature of ethyne, it is stored by dissolving in

- A. ethane-1,2-diol
- B. propanol
- C. ethanoic acid
- D. propanone

44. The process of converting starch to ethanol is

A. cracking
B. distillation
C. fermentation
D. oxidation

45. The polymer used in making car rear lights is

- A. Perspex
- B. Bakelite
- C. polystyrene
- D. polyacrylonitrile

46.  $CH_3COOC_2H_{5(I)} + H_2O_{(I)} \rightleftharpoons$   $CH_3COOH_{(aq)} + C_2H_5OH_{(aq)}$ The purpose of H<sup>+</sup> in the reaction above is to

A. increase the yield of productsB. maintain the solution at a constant pH

C. increase the rate of the hydrolysis

D. decrease the rate of the reverse reaction

47. A hydrocarbon has an empirical formula CH and a vapour density of 39. Determine its molecular formula.

[C = 12, H = 1]

- A.  $C_2H_6$
- B.  $C_3H_8$
- C.  $C_3H_4$
- D.  $C_6H_6$

48. Polystyrene is widely used as packaging materials for fragile objects during transportation because of its A. lightness

- B. low density
- C. high density
- D. high compressibility

49. The process of converting linear alkanes to branched chain and cyclic hydrocarbons by heating in the presence of a catalyst to improve the quality of petrol is referred to as

- A. refining
- B. cracking
- C. reforming
- D. blending

50. The petroleum fraction that is used in heating furnaces in industries is

- A. diesel oil
- B. gasoline
- C. kerosene
- D. lubricating oil

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

B 2. C 3. D 4. A 5. C 6. D 7. A
 B 9. C 10. C 11. D 12. C 13.
 A 14. A 15. No Answer 16. C 17.
 C 18. B 19. B 20. B 21. B 22. B
 23. C 24. B 25. D

26. A 27. A 28. A 29. C 30. D
31. B 32. B 33. C 34. D 35. C
36. C 37. D 38. C 39. D 40. D
41. C 42. D 43. D 44. C 45. D
46. A 47. D 48. B 49. C 50. A

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#### **2015 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

1. Which of the following statements is correct?

A. The average kinetic enemy of a gas is directly proportional to its temperature

B. At constant temperature, the volume of a gas increases as the pressure increases.

C. The pressure of a gas is inversely proportional to its volume.

D. The temperature of gas is directly proportional to its volume.

2. Which are the correct IUPAC names for  $H-CO_2 CH_3$  and  $CH\equiv CH$ 

- A. Methyl methanoate and ethene
- B. Metanoic acid and ethyne

C. Ethyl methanoate and ethyneD. Methyl methanoate and ethyne

3. A solution X on mixing with  $AgNO_3$  solution, gives a white precipitate soluble in  $NH_{3(aq)}$ . A solution Y, when added to X, also

gives a white precipitate which is soluble on boiling. Solution Y contains

A. Ag<sup>+</sup> ion
B. Pb<sup>2+</sup> ion
C. Pb<sup>4+</sup> ion
D. Zn<sup>2+</sup> ion

 Methane is a member of the homologous series called

- A. alkenes
- B. alcohols
- C. esters
- D. alkanes

5. Which of the following bonds exists in crystalline ammonium chloride (NH₄CL)?

A. ionic covalent

- B. ionic and co-ordinate
- C. ionic, covalent and co- ordinate

D. covalent, co-ordinate and metallic

6. Some copper (II) sulphate pentahydrate (CuSO<sub>4</sub> 5H<sub>2</sub>O), was heated at 120°C with the following results: Wt of crucible = 10.00 g; Wt of crucible + CuSO<sub>4</sub>.5H<sub>2</sub>O = 14.98g; Wt of crucible + residue = 13.54g. How many molecules of water of crystallization were lost? [H= 1, Cu = 63.5, O = 16, S = 32]

A. 1

- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4
- 7.



Which of the curves shown above represents the relationships between the volume (v) and pressure (p) of an ideal gas at constant temperature? A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4

8. 12.0q of a mixture of carbonate potassium and potassium chloride were dissolved а 250cm3 standard flask. in 25cm3 of this solution required 40.00cm3 of 0.1M HCI neutralization. What is the percentage by weight of  $K_2CO_3$  in the mixture

(K = 39, O = 16, C = 12)

A. 60 B. 72 C. 82

D. 92

9. Which of the following, groups of physical properties increases from left to right of the Periodic Table?

- 1. Ionization energy
- 2. Atomic radius
- 3. Electronegativity

4. Electron affinity	A. 3
	B. 5
A. 1 and 2	C. 15
B. 1, 2 and 3	D. 31
C. 3 and 4	
D. 1, 2, 3 and 4	13. 10.0 dm3 of air containing
	$H_2S$ as an impurity was passed
10. An element Z, contained 90%	through a solution of $Pb(NO_3)_2$
of 8Z 16 and 10% of 8Z 18 . its	until all the $H_2S$ had reacted. The
relative atomic mass is	precipitate of PbS was found to
	weigh 5.02 g. According to the
A. 16.0	equation:
B. 16.2	$Pb(NO_3)_2 + H_2S \rightarrow PbS + 2HNO_3$
C. 17.0	the percentage by volume of
D. 17.8	hydrogen sulphide in the air is
11. What are the possible	A. 50.2
oxidation numbers for an element	B. 47.0
if its atomic number is 17?	C. 4.70
	D. 0.47
A1 and 7	
B1 and 6	14. A quantity of air was passed

C. -3 and 5

D. -2 and 6

12. How many valence electrons

are contained in the element

represented by <sup>31</sup><sub>15</sub>P?

14. A quantity of air was passed through a weighed amount of alkaline pyrogallol. An increase in the weight of the pyrogallol would result from the absorption of

A. nitrogen B. neon

C. argon

D. oxygen

15. Water for town supply is chlorinated to make it free from

A. bad odour

B. bacteria

C. temporary hardness

D. permanent hardness

16. 4.0 g of sodium hydroxide in
250cm<sup>3</sup> of solution contains

- A. 0.40 moles per dm<sup>3</sup>
  B. 0.10 moles per dm<sup>3</sup>
  C. 0.04 moles per dm<sup>3</sup>
- D. 0.02 moles per dm<sup>3</sup>

17. A major effect of oil pollution in coastal waters is the

A. destruction of marine lifeB. desalination of the waterC. increase in the acidity of the water

D. detoxification of the water

18. In general, an increase in temperature increases the solubility of a solute in water because

A. more solute molecules collidewith each otherB. most solutes dissolve with theevolution of heat

C. more solute moleculesdissociate at higher temperaturesD. most solutes dissolve withabsorption of heat.

19. The relatively high boiling points of alkanols are due to

A. ionic bonding
B. aromatic character
C. covalent bonding
D. hydrogen bonding.

20. Given that  $15.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ was required to completely neutralize  $25.00 \text{ cm}^3$  of 0.125 mol dm3 NaOH, calculate the molar concentration of the acid solution

A. 0.925 mol dm<sup>3</sup>

B. 0.156 mol dm<sup>3</sup>
C. 0.104 mol dm<sup>3</sup>
D. 0.023 mol dm<sup>3</sup>

21. What volume of 0.1 mol dm3solution of tetraoxosulphate (VI)acid would be needed to dissolve2.86g of sodium trioxocarbonate(IV) decahydrate crystals?

A. 20cm3

B. 40cm3

C. 80cm3

D. 100cm3

[H = 1, C = 12, O = 16, S= 32, Na 23].

22. The solution with the lowest pH value is

A. 5 ml of *M*/10 HCL
B. 10 ml of *M*/10 HCL
C. 15 ml of *M*/5 HCL
D. 20 ml of *M*/8 HCL

23. In which order are the following salts sensitive to light?

A. Agl > AgCl > AgBr

B. AgCl> Agl > AgBrC. AgBr > AgCI > AglD. AgCI > AgBr > AgBr > Agl

24. A metal m displaces Zinc from Zinc chloride solution. This shows that

A. M is more electronegative than Zinc

B. Zinc is above hydrogen in the series.

C. M is more electropositive than zinc.

D. electrons flow from zinc to m.

25. Steam changes the colour of anhydrous cobalt (II) chloride from

(A) blue to pink

(B) white to red

(C) white to green

(D) blue to white

26. When at equilibrium, which of the reactions below will shift to the right if the pressure is increased and the temperature is kept constant?

A.  $2SO_{3(g)} == 2SO_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)}$ B.  $2CO_{2(g)} == 2CO_{(g)} + O_{2(g)}$ C.  $2H_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)} == 2H_2O_{(g)}$ D.  $2NO_{(g)} == N_{2(g)} + O_{2(g)}$ 

27.  $2CO_{(g)} + O_{2(g)} \rightarrow 2Co_{2(g)}$ Given that  $\Delta H$  [CO] is -110.4 kJmol<sup>-1</sup> and  $\Delta H$  [CO<sub>2</sub>] is -393.0 kJmol<sup>-1</sup>, the energy change for the reaction above is

A. -503.7 kJ B. -282.6 kJ C. +282.6 kJ D. +503.7 kJ

28. Which of these properties gives a solid its definite shape?

A. Strong intermolecular attraction

- B. High melting point
- C. High boiling point
- D. Weak intermolecular attraction

29. When a crystal was added to the clear solution of its salt, the crystal did not dissolve and the solution remained unchanged. This showed that the solution was

- A. supersaturated
- B. concentrated
- C. unsaturated
- D. saturated

30. If the electron configuration of an element is  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$ , how many unpaired electrons are there?

A. 2

B. 5

- C. 1
- D. 4

31. The substance that is used in the steel industry for the removal of carbon, sulphur and phosphorus impurities from pig iron is

A. oxygenB. chlorine

C. nitrogen

D. hydrogen

32. Hydrogen sulphide gas can act as

A. an oxidizing agent

B. a dehydrating agent

C. a bleaching agent

D. a precipitating agent.

33. Which of the following is used as a rocket fuel?

A.  $HNO_3$ 

B. CH<sub>3</sub>COOH

C.  $H_2SO_4$ 

D. HCI.

34. The bleaching action of chlorine is effective due to the presence of

A. Hydrogen chloride

B. Water

C. Air

D. Oxygen

35. Mineral acids are usually added to commercial hydrogen peroxide to

A. Oxidize it

B. decompose it

C. minimize its decomposition

D. reduce it to water and oxygen.

36. Aluminium containers are frequently used to transport trioxonitrate (v) acid because aluminium

A. has a low densityB. does not react with the acidC. does not corrodeD. has a silvery - white appearance

37. Ethyne is passed through a hot tube containing organo-nickel catalyst to produce

A. Isoprene

B. polythene

C. ethanol

D. benzene

38. The process of converting starch to ethanol is

- A. cracking
- B. distillation
- C. fermentation
- D. oxidation

39. An endothermic reaction is one during which heat is \_\_\_\_\_and can be represented by the symbol\_\_\_\_\_. Which of the following combinations can be used accurately to complete the above definition?

- A. liberated  $-\Delta H$
- B. liberated  $+\Delta H$
- C. absorbed  $-\Delta H$
- D. absorbed  $+\Delta H$

40. Consider the following exothermic reaction  $2SO_{2(g)}$  +  $O_{2(g)} = 2SO_{3(g)}$ . If the temperature of the reaction is reduced from  $800^{\circ}$ C to 500°C, and no other change takes place, then

A. the reaction rate increases

B. concentration of SO<sub>2</sub> decreases

- C. concentration of SO<sub>2</sub> increases
- D. SO<sub>2</sub> gas becomes unreactive

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

1. A 2. D 3. B 4. D 5. C 6. D 7. C 8. D 9. C 10. B 11. A 12. B 13. C 14. D 15. B 16. A 17. C 18. C 19. D 20. C

21. D
22. D
23. D
24. C
25. A
26. C
27. B
28. A
29. D
30. C
31. A
32. D
33. A
34. B
35. C
36. B
37. D
38. C
39. D
40. C

## **2016 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

1. An element X has two isotopes  ${}^{20}{}_{10}X$  and  ${}^{22}{}_{10}X$  present in the ratio 1:3. The relative atomic mass of x would be

- A. 20.5
- B. 21.0
- C. 21.5
- D. 22.0

2.  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  of oxygen diffuse through a porous plug in 50 seconds. How long, will 80 cm 3 of methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) take to diffuse through the same porous plug under the same conditions?

- A. 40sec
- B. 20sec
- C. 14sec
- D. 7sec

3. Which of the following terms indicates the number of bonds that can be formed by an atom?

A. oxidation number

B. Valence

- C. Atomic number
- D. Electronegativity



The diagram above represents an atom of

- A. magnesium
- B. helium
- C. chlorine
- D. neon

5. Which of the following gases is the most dangerous pollutant?

A. Hydrogen sulphide.

- B. Carbon Monoxide
- C. Sulphur(iv)oxide
- D. Carbon Dioxide

6. A Side effect or Soft water is that.

A. It gives offensive taste B. excess calcium is precipitated C. it attacks lead contained in pipes D. it encourages the growth of bacteria. 7. Farmlands affected by crude oil spillage can be decontaminated by A. adding acidic solutions B. using aerobic bacteria C. pouring water on the affected area D. burning off the oil from the area 8. Which of the following functional groups will give gas when treated bubbles with a sodium solution of saturated hydrogen trioxocarbonate(iv)?

А. —NH3 о В. \_\_C он С. —OH D. >C = 0

9. The oxidation state of Cr in  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  is

A. +7

B. +6

C. +5

D. 4

10.  $2Na_2O_{2(s)} + 2H_2O_{(l)} \rightarrow 4Na0H_{(s)}$ +  $O_2$ 

The substance that is oxidized in the reaction above is

A. 2Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2(s)</sub>
B. NaOH<sub>(aq)</sub>
C. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>(l)</sub>
D. O<sub>2(g)</sub>

11.



#### Z in diagram above represents

A. heat of reaction www.toppers.com.ng

B. activation energy C. free energy D. entropy of reaction 12. The nucleus of an atom contains A. protons only B. neutrons only C. protons and electrons D. protons and neutrons 13. Which of the following does NOT happen when a Zinc rod is introduced into а solution of Copper (II) sulphate? A. Electrons flow towards the zinc rod B. The Zinc rod dissolves C. The temperature of the soil chances D. The blue colour of the solution gradually disappears.

14. Which of the following statements is correct during the electrolysis of a caustic soda

solution using platinum electrodes?

A. Oxygen gas is given off at the cathode

B. Hydrogen gas is given off at the anode

C. Sodium metal is deposited at the cathode

D. Alkalinity at the cathode increases.

15. Which of the following statements is **INCORRECT**?

A. Fractional distillation of crude petroleum will give the following hydrocarbon fuels in order of increasing boiling point. Butane < Petrol < Kerosene

B.  $H_2C = CH_2$  will serve as a monomer in the preparation of polythene

C. both but-i-ene and but-i-yne will decolourize bromine readily

D. Calcium carbide will react with water to form any alkyne

16. The iron (iii) oxide impurity in bauxite can be removed by

A. fractional crystallization in acid solution

B. dissolution in sodium hydroxide and filtration

C. extraction with concentrated ammonia and reprecipitation

D. electrolysis of molten mixture

17. Aluminium is extracted commercially from its ore by

A. heating aluminium oxide with coke in a furnace

B. the electrolysis of fused aluminium oxide in cryolite
C. treating cryolite with sodium hydroxide solution under pressure
D. heating sodium aluminium silicate to a high temperature.

18. Which of the following compounds gives a yellow residue when heated and also reacts with aqueous sodium hydroxide to give a white gelatinous precipitate

soluble in excess sodium hydroxide solution?

A. (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
 B. ZnCO<sub>3</sub>
 C. Al<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>
 D. PbCO<sub>3</sub>

19. The least easily oxidized of the metals below is

A. Cu

- B. Na
- C. Zn
- D. Al

20. Which of the following chlorides would exhibit the least ionic character?

A. MgCl<sub>2</sub>

B.  $CaCl_2$ 

- C. LiCl
- D. AICl<sub>3</sub>

21. Which of the following CANNOT be obtained by fractional distillation of petroleum?

- A. Ether
- B. Methane
- C. Butane
- D. Hydrogen

22. Which of the following is used as an antiknock in automobile engines?

- A. tetramethylsilane
- B. lead tetraethyl
- C. Glycerol
- D. n-heptane

23. The Avogadro number of 24g of magnesium is the same as that of

- A. 1g of hydrogen molecules
- B. 16g of oxygen molecules
- C. 32g of Oxygen molecules
- D. 35.5g of chlorine molecules.

24. In an electrolyte set-up to protect iron from corrosion, the iron is

A. made the cathodeB. made the anode

C. used with a metal of lowerelectropositive potentialD. initially coated with tin

25. The removal of rust from iron by treatment with tetraoxosulphate (vi) acid is based on the

- A. hydrolysis of the ironB. reaction of acid with base
- C. oxidation of the rust
- D. dehydration of the iron.

26. The substance often used for vulcanization of rubber is

- A. Chlorine
- B. hydrogen peroxide
- C. Sulphur
- D. tetraoxosulphate (vi) acid

27. Metals of the first transition series have special properties which are different from those of groups I and II elements because they have partially filled.

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A. s-orbitals
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B. p-orbitals

C. d-orbitals

D. f-orbitals

28. A particle that contains 11protons, 12 neutrons and 10electrons is probably a

- A. Neutral non-metal
- B. metallic ion
- C. non-metallic ion
- D. neutral metal.

29. A catalyst increases the rate of a chemical reaction by providing a path that

A. raises the activation energyB. increases the temperatureC. lowers the activation energyD. increases the concentration

30. A metal M displaces Zinc from ZnCl<sub>2</sub> solution. This shows that

A. electrons flow from Zinc to MB. M is more electropositive thanZinc

C. M is more electronegative than Zinc

D. Zinc is more electropositive than M.

31. Calculate the quantity of electricity in coulombs required to liberate 10g of copper from a copper compound.

A. 32395.5
B. 30156.3
C. 60784.5
D. 15196.6
[Cu 64 F = 96500c]

32. The IUPAC names for the compounds  $CH_3COOH$  and  $CH_2=CH_2$  are respectively

A. acetic acid and ethaneB. ethanoic- acid and etheneC. methanoic acid and ethyleneD. ethanol and ethene.

33. The boiling point of water is higher than that of methanol because

A. water is an oxide while methanol is an alcohol

B. inter-molecular forces in water are stronger than those in methanol

C. Water is an inorganic compound while methanol is organic

D. Water is a compound while methanol is a covalent compound

34. If an element x of atomic number Z and mass number y is irradiated by an intense concentration of neutrons, the relevant nuclear equation is

A. 
$${}^{Z}_{Y}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y-1}_{z+1}x$$
  
B.  ${}^{Y}_{Z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y+1}_{z}x$   
C.  ${}^{Y}_{Z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y}_{z+1}x$   
D.  ${}^{Y}_{Z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y+1}_{z-1}x$ 

35. Which combination of the following statements is correct?

1. Lowering the activation energy

2. conducting the reaction in a gaseous state.

3. Increasing the temperature.

4. removing the products as soon as they are formed.

5. Powdering the reactant if solid

A. 1, 2 and 3
B. 1, 3 and 5
C. 2, 3 and 5
D. 3 and 4

36. An element with atomic number twelve is likely to be

A. electrovalent with a valency of 1

B. electrovalent with a valency of

C. covalent with a valency of 2.

D. covalent with valency of 4.

37. Which of the following physical properties decreases across the periodic Table?

A. ionization potential

- B. Electron affinity
- C. Electronegativity
- D. Atomic radius.

38. If a gas occupies a container of volume 146cm3 at 18°c and 0.971 atm, its volume in cm3 at s.t.p is

- A. 133
- B. 146
- C. 266

D. 292

39. 50cm3 of carbon (ii) oxide was exploded with 150cm3 of air containing 20% oxygen by volume, which of the reactants was in excess?

- A. Carbon (ii) oxide
- B. Carbon (iv) oxide
- C. Oxygen
- D. Nitrogen

40. The formula  $CH_2O$  for ethanoic acid is regarded as its

- A. molecular formula
- B. general formula
- C. empirical formula
- D. Structural formula

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

C 2. C 3. B 4. A 5. D 6. C 7. A
 8. B 9. B 10. A 11. A 12. D 13. A
 14. D 15. D 16. B 17. B 18. B
 19. C 20. D

21. D
22. B
23. C
24. D
25. D
26. C
27. C
28. B
29. C
30. B
31. D
32. B
33. B
34. B
35. B
36. B
37. D
38. A
39. C
40. C

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## **2017 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

1. The flame used by welders in cutting metals is

- A. butane has flame
- B. acetylene flame
- C. Kerosene flame
- D. Oxy-acetylene flame.







A. Y is twice as soluble as X.

- B. X is twice as soluble as y
- C. X and Y are soluble to the same extent

D. X is three times as soluble as Y

3. Tetraoxosulphate (vi) acid is prepared using the chemical reaction  $SO_{3(g)} + H_2O_{(s)} \rightarrow$   $H_2SO_{4(I)}$ . Given the heats of formation for  $SO_{3(g)}$ ,  $H_2O_{(I)}$  and  $H_2SO_{4(I)}$  as  $-395KJmol^{-1}$ , -286KJmol<sup>-1</sup> and  $-811KJmol^{-1}$ respectively, the enthalpy change accompanying this reaction is

- A. -1032KJ B. -130KJ
- C. +130KJ
- D. +1032KJ.

4. In two separate experiments 0.36g and 0.71g of chlorine combined with a metal X to give Y and Z, an analysis showed that Y and Z contain 0.20g and 0.40g of X respectively. The data above represents the law of

- A. multiple proportion
- B. conservation of mass
- C. constant composition
- D. reciprocal proportion.

5. If an element x of atomic number z and mass number y is irradiated by an intense

concentration of neutrons, the relevant nuclear equation is

A.  ${}^{y}_{z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y-1}_{z+1}x$ B.  ${}^{Y}_{z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y+1}_{z}x$ C.  ${}^{Y}_{z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y}_{z+1}x$ D.  ${}^{Y}_{z}x + {}^{1}_{0}n \rightarrow {}^{y+1}_{z-1}x$ 

6. The vapour density of a gas may be defined as

A. the mass of a unit volume of the gas compared to an equal volume of water vapour.

B. the mass of a unit volume of the gas compared to an equal volume of hydrogen.

C. the mass of a unit volume of the gas compared to an equal volume of oxygen.

D. The mass of a unit volume of the gas minus the vapour pressure of water.

7. 30cm<sup>3</sup> of oxygen at 10 atmosphere pressure is placed in a 20dm<sup>3</sup> container. Calculate the new pressure if temperature is kept constant. A. 6.7 atm B. 15.0 atm C. 60.0 atm D. 66.0 atm

8. A liquid begins to boil when

A. its vapour pressure is equal to the vapour pressure of its solid at the given temperature

B. molecules start escaping its surface

C. its vapour pressure equals the atmospheric pressure

D. its volume is slightly increased.

9. Four elements W, X, Y and Z have atomic numbers 2, 6, 16 and 20 respectively. Which of these elements is a metal?

A. X

B. W

- C. Z
- D. Y

10. When cathode rays are deflected unto the electrode of an

electrometer, the becomes

instrument

- A. negatively charged
- B. positively charged
- C. neutral
- D. bipolar

11. When large hydrocarbon molecules are heated at high temperature in the presence of a catalyst to give smaller molecules, the process is known as

- A. disintegration
- B. Polymerization
- C. cracking
- D. degradation

12. If concentrated sulphuric acid is added to sugar and warmed gently, the sugar changes from white to brown and finally to a black mass of carbon. In this reaction, concentrated sulphuric acid is acting as

A. a drying agent

B. an oxidizing agent

C. a dehydrating agent

D. a reducing agent.

13. Smoke consists of

A. solid particles dispersed in liquid

B. solid or liquid particles dispersed in gas

C. gas or liquid particles dispersed in liquid.

D. Liquid particles dispersed in liquid.

14. In the electrolysis of dilute sulphuric acid using platinum electrodes, the products obtained at the anode and cathode are:

Anode	Cathode
A. sulphur	hydrogen
<b>B.</b> hydrogen	oxygen
C. oxygen	hydrogen
<b>D.</b> hydrogen	sulphate ions

15.  $P_{(g)} + Q_{(g)} \Leftrightarrow 3R_{(s)} + S_{(g)} \Delta H$  is negative. Which of the following will

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increase the yield of R?
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A. using a larger closed vesselB. increasing the temperature

C. Removing some S

D. Adding a positive catalyst

16. The mass of silver deposited when a current of 10A passed through a solution of silver salt for 4830s is

A. 108.0g

B. 54. 0g

C. 27.0g

D. 13.5g

17.  $CO_{(g)} + H_2O_{(g)} \rightarrow CO_{2(g)} + H_{2(g)}$ from the reaction above, calculate the standard heat change if the standard enthalpies of formation of  $CO_{2(g)}$ ,  $H_2O_{(g)}$  and  $CO_{2(g)}$  in KJmol<sup>-1</sup> are -394, -242 and -110 respectively.

- A. -282KJmol<sup>-1</sup>
- B. -42KJmol<sup>-1</sup>
- C. +42KJmol<sup>-1</sup>
- D. +262KJmol<sup>-1</sup>

18. If the electron configuration of an element is  $1S^2 2S^2 2p^5$ , how many unpaired electrons are there?

- A. 2
- B. 5
- C. 1
- D. 4

19. Which of the following gases can best be used for demonstrating the fountain experiment?

- (i) Nitrogen
- (ii) Ammonia
- (iii) Nitrogen (i) oxide
- (iv) Hydrogen chloride
- A. (ii) and (iii)B. (i) and (iii)C. (ii) and (iv)D. (ii) only

20. The coloured nature of transition metal ions are associated with their partially filled

- A. f-orbital
- B. S-orbital
- C. P-orbital
- D. d-orbital

21. Which of the following separation processes is most likely to yield high quality ethanol ( $\geq$  95%) from palm wine?

 A. fractional distillation without a dehydrant

B. simple distillation with a dehydrant

C. fractional distillation with a dehydrant

D. column chromatography

22. The products formed on hydrolysis of

CII, COCH\_CII\_CII, in acid (IICI) is A. CH\_CH\_OH + CH\_CH\_CH\_CI B. CH\_CH\_CH\_OH + CH\_C CI C. CH\_C - O - H + HOCH\_CH\_CH, D. CH\_C - O - H + CH\_CH, 23. In the reaction:  $3CuO + 2NH_3$   $\rightarrow 3Cu + 3H_2O + N_2$  how many electrons are transferred for each mole of copper produced?

A. 4.0 x 10<sup>-23</sup>
B. 3.0 x 10<sup>-23</sup>
C. 1.2 x 10<sup>24</sup>
D. 6.0 x 10<sup>24</sup>

24. The electronic configuration of an element is  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3S^2 3p^3$ . How many unpaired electrons are there in the element?

- A. 5
- B. 4
- C. 3
- D. 2

25. 8.0 g of an element X reacted with an excess of copper (II) tetraoxosulphate (VI) solution to deposit 21.3g of copper.

The correct equation for the reaction is

A.  $X_{(s)}$  +  $CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow Cu_{(s)}$  +  $XSO_{4(aq)}$  B.  $X_{(s)} + 2CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow 2Cu_{(s)} + X(SO_4)_{2(aq)}$ C.  $2X_{(s)} + CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow Cu_{(s)} + X_2SO_{4(aq)}$ D.  $2X_{(s)} + 3CuSO_{4(aq)} \rightarrow 3Cu_{(s)} + X_2(SO_4)_{3(aq)}$ [Cu = 64].

26. In the manufacture of iron in the blast furnace, iron (III) oxide is mixed with coke and limestone, and different reactions occur in the process. Which of the following, statements are true with respect to these reactions?

A. The coke is a powerful reducing agent and easily converts the iron oxide to iron.

B. The calcium carbonate reacts with SiO<sub>2</sub>, an earthly impurity in the ore, to form calcium silicate
C. The coke will react with the iron produced to form steel
D. The calcium carbonate decomposes to give calcium oxide, which then forms calcium

silicate with the earthly impurity.

27.



The electrons of two atoms Y and Z are arranged in shells as shown above. The bond formed between the atoms of Y and Z is

- A. ionic
- B. covalent
- C. dative
- D. metallic.

28. A gas sample with an initial volume of 3.25 dm<sup>3</sup> is heated and allowed to expand to 9.75 dm3 at constant pressure. What is the ratio of the final absolute temperature to the initial absolute temperature?

A. 3:1 B. 5:2 C. 5:4 D. 8:3

29. The chemical used for coagulation in water purification is
A. aluminium tetraoxosulphate(VI)

- B. copper tetraoxosulphate (VI)
- C. sodium tetraoxosulphate (VI)
- D. calcium tetraoxosulphate (VI)

30. A liquid that will dissolve fat is

- A. hydrochloric acid
- B. calcium hydroxide
- C. kerosene

D. water

31. When air, which contains the gases: oxygen, nitrogen. carbon dioxide, water vapour and the rare gases, is passed through alkaline pyrogallol and then over quicklime, the only gases left are:

- A. nitrogen and carbon dioxide
- B. the rare gases
- C. nitrogen and oxygen
- D. nitrogen and the rare gases

32. The number of atoms in one mole of a substance is equal to

A. the atomic number

B. the Avogadro number

- C. the gas constant
- D. the number of electrons.

33. Which of the following terms indicates the number of bonds that can be formed by an atom?

- A. Oxidation number
- B. Valence
- C. Atomic number
- D. Electronegativity

34. The structural formula of ethanoic acid is



35. Environmental pollution is worsened by the release from automobile exhausts of

- A. water vapour
- B. steam
- C. smoke
- D. heavy metals

36. What volume of 0.5 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>  $H_2SO_4$  will exactly neutralize 20cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.1 mol dm<sup>-1</sup> NaOH solution?

A. 2.0 cm3
B. 5.0 cm3
C. 6.8 cm3
D. 8.3 cm3

37. Which of the following is an electrolyte?

- A. Alcohol
- B. Sodium acetate solution
- C. Solid potassium in hydroxide

D. Mercury

38. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3(aq)</sub> + 2HCl<sub>(aq)</sub>  $\rightarrow$ 2NaCl<sub>(aq)</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>(l)</sub> + SO<sub>2(g)</sub> + S<sub>(s)</sub>

Which of the following would introduce the greatest increase in the rate of the chemical reaction above?

A. An increase in temperature and a decrease in the concentration of the reactants. B. A decrease in volume and an increase in the pressure of the reactants.

C. A decrease in temperature and an increase in the concentration of the reactants.

D. An increase in temperature and an increase in the concentration of the reactants.

39. Which of the following substances has the lowest vapour density?

A. Ethanoic acid
B. Propanol
C. Dichloromethane
D. Ethanal.
[O=16, CI = 35.5, H = 1, C = 12]

40. The presence of an impurity in a substance will cause the melting point to

A. be zero

- B. reduce
- C. increase
- D. be stable

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

D 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. B 6. B 7. B
 8. C 9. C 10. A 11. C 12. C 13. B
 14. C 15. C 16. B 17. B 18. C
 19. B 20. D

21. B 22. C 23. C 24. C 25. A
26. D 27. B 28. A 29. A 30. B
31. D 32. B 33. B 34. D 35. C
36. A 37. B 38. D 39. D 40. B

### **2018 JAMB CHEMISTRY QUESTIONS**

1. The periodic classification of the elements is an arrangement of the elements in order of their

- A. atomic weights
- B. isotopic weights
- C. molecular weights
- D. atomic numbers

 If 1 litre of 2.2M sulphuric acid is poured into a bucket containing 10 litres of water, and the resulting solution mixed thoroughly, the resulting sulphuric acid concentration will be

- A. 2.2 M
- B. 1.1 M
- C. 0.22 M
- D. 0.11 M
- 3.



In the above experiment (Fig. 1) the litmus paper will initially

- A. be bleached
- B. turn green
- C. turn red
- D. turn blue

4. A correct electrochemical seriescan be obtained from K, Na, Ca,Al, Mg. Zn, Fe, Pb, H, Cu, Hg, Ag,Au by interchanging

A. Al and MgB. Zn and FeC. Zn and PbD. Pb and H

5. A basic postulate of the kinetic theory of gases is that the molecules of a gas move in straight lines between collisions. This implies that

A. collisions are perfectly elastic

B. forces of repulsion exist

C. forces of repulsion and attraction are in equilibrium

D. collisions are inelastic.

6. On which of the following is the solubility of a gaseous substance dependent?

I. Nature of solvent
II. Nature of solute
III. Temperature
IV. Pressure

A. I, II, III and IVB. I and II onlyC. II onlyD. I, III and IV only.

7. Which of the following statements is correct about the periodic table?

A. Elements in the same period have the same number of valence electrons

B. The valence electrons of the elements in the same period increase progressively across the period.

C. Elements in the same group have the same number of electron shells

D. The non-metallic properties of the elements tend to decrease across each period.

8. The boiling of fat and aqueous caustic soda is referred to as

A. hydrolysis

- B. esterification
- C. acidification
- D. saponification

9. Which of the following pairs of substances will react further with oxygen to form a higher oxide?

A.  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$ B. NO and  $H_2O$ C. CO and  $CO_2$ D. SO<sub>2</sub> and NO

10. In the preparation of oxygen by heating  $KCIO_3$  in the presence of  $MnO_2$ , only moderate heat is needed because the catalyst acts by A. lowering the pressure of the reaction

B. increasing the surface area of the reaction

C. increasing the rate of the reaction

D. lowering the energy barrier of the reaction.

11. Methanoic acid mixes with water in all proportions and has about the same boiling point as water. Which of the following methods would you adopt to obtain pure water from a mixture of sand, water and methanoic acid?

A. Fractional distillation

B. Filtration followed by distillation

C. Neutralization with sodium hydroxide followed by distillationD. Neutralization with sodium hydroxide followed by filtration

12. A quantity of electricity liberates 3.6 g of silver from its salt. What mass of aluminium will

be liberated from its salt by the same quantity of electricity?

A. 2.7 g B. 1.2 g C. 0.9 g D. 0.3 g [Al = 27, Ag = 108].

 Suitable reagents for the laboratory preparation of nitrogen are

A. sodium dioxonitrate (III) and ammonium chloride
B. sodium trioxonitrate (V) and ammonium chloride
C. sodium chloride and ammonium trioxonitrate (V)
D. sodium chloride and ammonium diozonitrate (III).

14. The number of electrons in the valence shell of an element of atomic number 14 is

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3

D. 4

15. What volume of oxygen will remain after reacting 8cm3 of hydrogen gas with 20cm3 of oxygen gas?

- A. 10cm3
- B. 12cm3
- C. 14cm3
- D. 16cm3

16. If one of the following oxides is heated with hydrogen or carbon using a Bunsen burner, it is not reduced to the metal. Which one is it?

- A. lead oxide
- B. Magnesium oxide
- C. Copper oxide
- D. Tin oxide
- 17. The name for



A. 1 -methylpentane

B. 3-methylbutane

- C. 2-methylbutane
- D. 1 -dimethylpropane

18. An aqueous solution of a metal salt M, gives a white with NaOH which precipitate dissolves in excess NaOH. With aqueous ammonia, the solution of M also gives a white precipitate which dissolves in excess ammonia. Therefore, the cation in M is

- A. Zn<sup>2+</sup> B. Ca<sup>2+</sup> C. Al<sup>3+</sup>
- D. Pb<sup>2+</sup>

19. What is the concentration of a solution containing 2g of NaOH in 100cm<sup>3</sup> of solution?

A. 0.40 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> B. 0.50 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> C. 0.05 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> D. 0.30 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> [Na = 23, O =16, H =1] 20. How many atoms are present in 6.0g, of magnesium?

A.  $1.20 \times 10^{22}$ B.  $2.41 \times 10^{22}$ C.  $1.51 \times 10^{23}$ D.  $3.02 \times 10^{23}$ [Mg = 24, NA = 6.02 x  $10^{23}$  mol<sup>-1</sup>].

21. The radio isotope used in industrial radiography for the rapid checking of faults in welds and casting is

- A. carbon 14
- B. Phosphorus 32
- C. Cobalt
- D. Iodine 131

22. Beryllium and Aluminium have similar properties because they

A. are both metalsB. belong to the same groupC. belong to the same periodD. are positioned diagonally to each other

23. mE + Nf  $\rightleftharpoons$  pG + qH

In the equation above, the equilibrium constant is given by

- A.  $\frac{[E]^{m}[F]^{n}}{[G]^{p}[H]^{q}}$ B.  $\frac{[E][F]}{[G][H]}$
- C.  $\frac{[G]^{p}[H]^{2}}{[E]^{m}[F]^{n}}$
- D.  $\frac{[G][H]}{[E][F]}$

24. (i)  $3CuO_{(s)} + 2NH_{3(g)} \rightleftharpoons 3Cu_{(s)}$ +  $3H_2O_{(l)} + N_{2(g)}$ (ii)  $2NH_{3(g)} + 3CI_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 6HCI_{(g)} + N_{2(g)}$ (iii)  $4NH_{3(g)} + 3O_{2(g)} \rightleftharpoons 6H_2O_{(l)} + 2N_{2(g)}$ .

The reactions represented by the equations above demonstrate the

A. basic properties of ammoniaB. acidic properties of ammonia

C. reducing properties of ammonia

D. oxidizing properties of ammonia

25. The salt that reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid to produce a pungent smelling gas which

decolourizes acidified purple potassium tetraoxomanganate (VII) solution is

- A. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
- B.  $Na_2SO_3$
- C. Na<sub>2</sub>S
- D.  $Na_2CO_3$

26. The refreshing and characteristic taste of soda water and other soft drinks is as a result of the presence in them of

- A. carbon (IV) oxide
- B. carbon (II) oxide

C. soda

D. glucose

27. Which of the following are mixtures?

i. Petroleumii. Rubber latex.iii. Vulcanizer's solutioniv. Carbon (II) sulphide

A. i, ii and iii

B. i, ii and iv

C. i and ii only D. i and iv.

28. A balanced chemical equation obeys the law of

A. conservation of mass

- B. definite proportions
- C. multiple proportions
- D. conservation of energy

29. A given amount of gas occupies 10.0 dm<sup>3</sup> at 4 atm and 273°C. The number of moles of the gas present is

A. 0.89 mol
B. 1.90 mol
C. 3.80 mol
D. 5.70 mol
[Molar volume of a gas at stp. = 22.4 dm<sup>3</sup>]

30. According to Charles' law, the volume of a gas becomes zero at

A. 0°C B. -100°C C. -273°C D. -373°C

31. A substance that is used as a ripening agent for fruits is

A. ethene

B. propane

C. methane

D. butane

32. The Sulphide which is insoluble in dilute hydrochloric acid is

A. FeS

B. CuS

C. ZnS

D.  $Na_2S$ 

33. What is the pH of 0.001 moldm<sup>-3</sup> solution of the sodium hydroxide?

A. 14

- B. 13
- C. 12
- D. 11

34. The type of bonding in  $[Cu(NH_3)_4]^{2+}$  is

A. coordinateB. electrovalentC. metallicD. covalent.

35. Which of the following is an example of a chemical change?

A. dissolution of salt in water
B. rusting of iron
C. melting of ice
D. separating a mixture by distillation

36. To what temperature must a gas at 273K be heated in order to double both its volume and pressure?

A. 298K B. 546K C. 819K D. 1092K

37. According to the Kinetic Theory, an increase in

temperature causes the kinetic energy of particles to:

- A. decrease
- B. increase
- C. be zero
- D. remain constant

38. An element used in the production of matches is

- A. nitrogen
- B. aluminium
- C. copper
- D. Sulphur

39. Which of the following gases may not be dried with concentrated sulphuric acid?

- A. HCl<sub>(g)</sub>
- B.  $NH_3$
- C.  $CI_2$
- $D. SO_2$

40. Consecutive members of an alkane homologous series differ by

- A. CH B. CH<sub>2</sub>
- C. CH<sub>3</sub>
- D.  $C_n H_n$

#### **ANSWER KEYS:**

1. D 2. C 3. D 4. A 5. B 6. D 7. D 8. D 9. D 10. D 11. A 12. D 13. A 14. D 15. D 16. B 17. C 18. A 19. B 20. C

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