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### THE S-BLOCK ELEMENTS

#### Example

1. What are s-block elements ? Write their general electronic configurations.



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2. Name alkali metals in increasing order of atomic number.



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3. Which of the following isn't considered as an alkaline earth metal ?

A. Ca

B. Sr

C. Ba

D. Be

**Answer:**



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4. Give the name and electronic configuration of second alkali metal.



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5. What is meant by 'diagonal relationship'? Why do some elements show diagonal relationship? How does lithium resemble magnesium in its chemical behaviour?



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6. Why is it that the s-block elements never occur free in nature? What are their usual modes of occurrence and how are they generally prepared?



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7. The alkali metals are soft due to-



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8. What is flame test and why do alkali metals show characteristic colours in the flame?

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9. How flame test helps in distinguishing alkali metals?

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10. Why do alkali metal tarnishes in air?

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11. Name the products formed when metals react with cold water.



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12. The alkali metal halides are ionic or covalent?



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13. Give reasons for the following:

Alkali metals are good reducing agents.



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**14.** What kind of oxides are formed by lithium?

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**15.** How alkali metal halides can be prepared?

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**16.** What are oxo-acids?

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17. Name the chief factor responsible for the anomalous behaviour of lithium.



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18. The main process for the manufacture of sodium carbonate is

- A. (a) Carbon process
- B. (b) Solvay process
- C. (c) Down's process
- D. (d) Nelson process



**Answer:**



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**19.** What impurities are present in brine solution?



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**20.** Describe one method of manufacture of sodium hydroxide and discuss its three industrial uses. What happens when sodium hydroxide reacts with  $\text{CO}_2$  ?



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**21.** The atomic radii of alkaline earth metals are smaller than those of the corresponding alkali metals. Explain, why?



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**22.** Why do alkaline earth metals and their compounds impart characteristic colours to the flame?



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23. What products are formed on thermal decomposition of  $(NH_4)_2BeF_4$ ?

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24. What is the trend of formation of ionic compound in alkaline earth metals?

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25. Write two characteristics of halides of beryllium

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26. Why beryllium is different from other members of its group in some properties?

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27. Why  $CO_2$  is removed when  $CaCO_3$  is heated in a rotary kiln?

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28. How calcium hydroxide is prepared?

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**29.** How calcium carbonate is prepared?

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**30.** Write the chemical name of Plaster of Paris.

Write the chemical equation of its preparation. Why should Plaster of Paris be stored in a dry place ?

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**Illustration**

1. An excess of  $KO_2$  is placed in a closed container of  $CO_2(g)$ . After reaction is completed. Will the gas pressure be same, greater or less than initial value. Explain.

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2. Why hydrated chlorides of Ca, Sr and Ba can be dehydrated by heating while those of Be and Mg suffer hydrolysis?

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1. How many electrons can be accommodated in the s-orbital?

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2. How many groups belong to the s-block of the periodic table ?

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3. The elements of group 1 are called alkali metals.  
Give reason.



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4. Write the names of alkaline earth metals in increasing order of atomic number.



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5. The elements of group 2 are called alkaline earth metals. Give reason.



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6. Which alkali metal is radioactive in nature?

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7. Write two reasons behind the anomalous behaviour of first element of each group.

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8. Beryllium shows diagonal relationship with aluminium. Which of the following similarly is incorrect?

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9. Write the reason behind the diagonal relationship among element.

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10. Which of the following is the correct electronic configuration of potassium ?

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**11.** Explain the trend in atomic radii on moving down a group, with reference to the alkali metals in Group 1 [IA].



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**12.** Which one of the following alkali metals gives hydrated salts?



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**24.** Mention the important properties of saline hydrides

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**25.** Except for lithium, alkali metals form their hydrides at what temperature.

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**26.** Why are lithium halides partially covalent ?  
Explain with examples.

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27. Among the alkali metals, which element has the highest reducing power ?



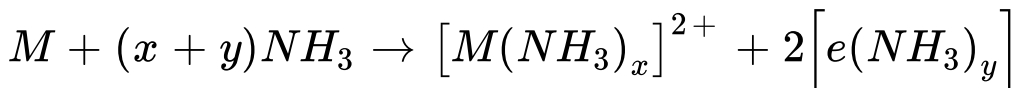
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28. If standard electrode potential of an element x is  $-1.70\text{V}$  and of another y is  $+1.07\text{V}$ . Which one of these is strong reducing agent?



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**29.** The alkali metals dissolve in ammonia to give a deep blue solution which is conducting in nature.



which of the following is not true about the solutions of alkali metals in liquid ammonia?



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**30.** Why is the solution of an alkali metal in ammonia blue?



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**31.** The blue coloured solution is diamagnetic or paramagnetic?

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**35.** The melting and boiling points of alkali metal halides always follow the trend ,

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**36.** Write two properties of alkali metals salts of oxoacids.



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51. Why alkaline earth metal oxides are quite stable?

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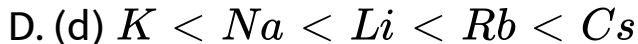
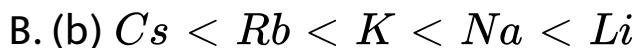
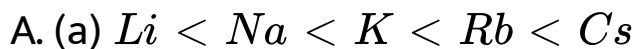
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**Assignment Section A**

1. Arrange the alkali metals in increasing order of their density.



**Answer: D**



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2. Which of the following statements is/are true for all the alkali metals ?

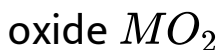
A. Their nitrates decompose on heating to give



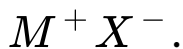
B. Their carbonates decompose on heating to give



C. They react with oxygen to give mainly the



D. They react with halogens to give halides



**Answer: D**



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3. The metallic luster exhibited by sodium is explained by

- A. Diffusion of  $Na^+$  ions
- B. Oscillation of loose electrons
- C. Excitation of free proton
- D. Existence of body centred cubic lattice

**Answer: B**







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4. Which one of the following ions has the largest size in aqueous solution?



**Answer: D**



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5. Which among the following is the strongest reducing agent?

A. K

B. Na

C. Al

D. Mg

**Answer: A**



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6. Sodium chloride gives a golden yellow colour to the bunsen flame, which is due to

A. Sublimation of metallic sodium to give yellow vapour

B. Photosensitivity of sodium

C. Low ionization potential of sodium

D. Emission of excess of energy absorbed as a radiation in the visible region.

**Answer: D**



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7. Why lithium is kept wrapped in paraffin wax and not stored in kerosene oil ?

A. It reacts with kerosene

B. It floats to the surface of kerosene because of  
low density

C. It does not react with air and  $H_2O$

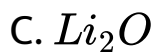
D. It is an inert metal

**Answer: B**



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8. Which of the following oxides is the most basic in nature?



**Answer: A**



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9. Which among  $Na$ ,  $K$ ,  $Cs$  and  $Li$  forms most stable hydride?

A.  $LiH$

B.  $KH$

C.  $NaH$

D.  $CsH$

**Answer: A**



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10. Lithium and magnesium exhibit diagonal relationship because

- A. Both have nearly same size
- B. Same reduction potential
- C. Both have similar electronic configuration
- D. both are found together in nature.

**Answer: A**



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11. Sodium sulphate is soluble in water, whereas barium sulphate is sparingly soluble because

- A. the hydration energy of sodium sulphate is less than its lattice energy
- B. The hydration energy of sodium sulphate is more than its lattice energy
- C. The hydration and lattice energy are same in sodium sulphate
- D. The lattice energy has no role to play solubility.

**Answer: B**





12. Sodium carbonate can be manufactured by Solvay's process but potassium carbonate cannot be prepared because :

- A.  $K_2CO_3$  is more soluble
- B.  $K_2CO_3$  is less soluble
- C.  $KHCO_3$  is more soluble than  $NaHCO_3$
- D.  $KHCO_3$  is less soluble than  $NaHCO_3$ .

**Answer: C**

13. Which decomposes on heating-

A. NaOH

B. KOH

C. LiOH

D. RbOH

**Answer: C**



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14. Solvay process is used for the manufacture of

- A. Sodium metal
- B. Washing soda
- C. Bleaching powder
- D. Quick lime

**Answer: B**



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**15.** In the manufacture of sodium hydroxide by product obtained is

A.  $O_2$

B.  $Cl_2$

C.  $Na_2CO_3$

D.  $NaCl$

**Answer: B**



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**16.** Sodium cannot be obtained by the electrolysis of aqueous solution of  $NaCl$  using  $Pt$  electrodes.

A. Sodium liberated reacts with water to produce



- B. Sodium being more electropositive than hydrogen,  $H_2$  is liberated at cathode and not sodium
- C. Electrolysis cannot take place with brine solution.
- D. Brine is neutral in nature.

**Answer: B**

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17. Which of the following bicarbonate does not exist in solid state?



**Answer: A**



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**18.** Magnesium cation has polarising power close to that of :

A. Lithium

B. Sodium

C. Potassium

D. Cesium

**Answer: A**



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**19.** In the preparation of sodium carbonate ( $Na_2CO_3$ ) which of the following is used as raw material?

A. Slakedlime

B. Lime stone

C. Quick lime

D. Sodium hydroxide

**Answer: B**



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**20.** Which of the following halides has the highest melting point-

A. (a) NaCl

B. (b) NaBr



C. (c) NaF

D. (d) NaI

**Answer: C**



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A. There is increase in the nuclear charge of the  
alkaline earth metals

- B. There is decrease in the nuclear charge of the alkaline earth metals
- C. There is not change is the nuclear charge
- D. All of these

**Answer: A**



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**22.** The most electronegative alkaline earth metal is

- A. Be
- B. Mg

C. Ca

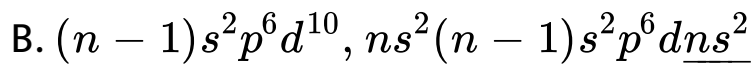
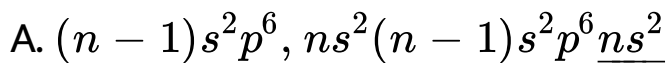
D. Ba

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23. Which of the following electronic configuration in the outermost two shells is characteristic of the alkaline earth metals?



C.  $(n - 1)s^2p^6, ns^2np^1$   $(n - 1)s^2p^6ns^2np^1$

D.  $(n - 1)s^2p^6, ns^2np^2$   $(n - 1)s^2p^6ns^2np^2$ .

**Answer: A**



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**24.** Why does magnesium form  $Mg^{2+}$  and not  $Mg^+$

?

A. Magnesium (II) is insoluble in water

B. Commonly higher oxidation states are preferred by metals

C. Ionic radius of Mg(II) is smaller than of Mg(I)

D. High hydration energy as well as high lattice energy of divalent magnesium ion

**Answer: D**



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**25. Which of the following is amphoteric oxide ?**

$Mn_2O_7$ ,  $CrO_3$ ,  $Cr_2O_3$ ,  $CrO$ ,  $V_2O_5$ ,  $V_2O_4$

A. CaO

B. NaOH

C. BeO

D. LiOH

**Answer: C**



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**26.** Lime water is an aqueous solution of

A.  $MgSO_4$

B.  $Ca(OH)_2$

C.  $CaCO_3$

D.  $CaSO_4$

**Answer: B**



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27. Which of the following metals is most commonly used in photochemical cells?

A. Lithium

B. Calcium

C. Caesium

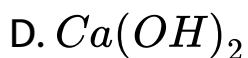
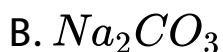
D. Francium

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28. Which substance can be used for purification of sugar?



Answer: D



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29. Setting of plaster of paris is

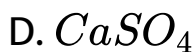
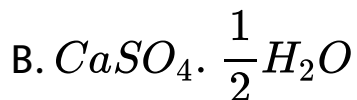
- A. Oxidation with atmospheric oxygen
- B. Combination with atmospheric  $CO_2$
- C. Dehydration
- D. Hydration to yield another hydrate

**Answer: D**



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30. Dead burnt plaster is

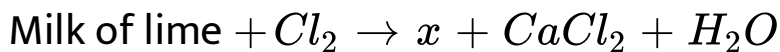


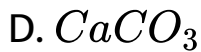
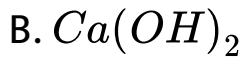
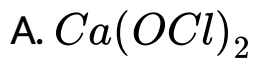
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**31.** Identify the unknown product (x) in the following reaction



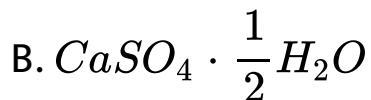
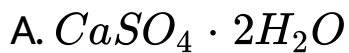


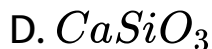
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**32.** Formula of gypsum salt is





**Answer: A**



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**33.** Arrange LiOH, NaOH, KOH, RbOH and CsOH in the increasing order of basic strength and give an adequate explanation for the same.

A. Strongly basic

B. Weakly

C. Slightly acidic

D. Amphoteric

**Answer: A**



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## Assignment Section B

1. When 1 mole of a substance ( $X$ ) was treated with an excess of water, 2 moles of readily combustible gas were produced along with solution which when

reacted with  $CO_2$  gas produced a white turbidity.

The substance ( $X$ ) could be

A.  $Ca$

B.  $CaH_2$

C.  $Ca(OH)_2$

D.  $Ca(NO_3)_2$

**Answer: B**



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2. A pair of metals which dissolves in sodium hydroxide solution is

A.  $Cu, K$

B.  $Fe, Mg$

C.  $Ag, Cu$

D.  $Sn, Zn$

**Answer: D**



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3. The oxidation state of the most electronegative element in the products of the reaction between  $BaO_2$  and  $H_2SO_4$  are

A. 0 and -1

B. -1 and -2

C. -2 and 0

D. -2 and +1

**Answer: B**



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4. Among  $KO_2$ ,  $AlO_2^+$ ,  $BaO_2$  and  $NO_2^+$  unpaired electron is present in

A.  $NO_2^+$  and  $BaO_2$



B.  $KO_2$  and  $AlO_2^-$

C.  $KO_2$  only

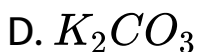
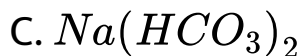
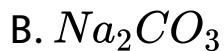
D.  $BaO_2$  only

**Answer: C**



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5. A solid compound X on heating gives  $CO_2$  gas and a residue. The residue mixed with water forms Y. On passing an excess of  $CO_2$  through Y in water, a clear solution Z is obtained. On boiling Z, compound X is reformed, The compound X is



**Answer: A**



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6.  $KO_2$  is used in oxygen cylinders in space and submarines because it

A. Absorbs  $CO_2$  and increases  $O_2$  concentration

B. Eliminates moisture

C. Absorb  $CO_2$

D. Produces ozone

**Answer: A**



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7. Which of the following substance can be used for drying neutral or basic gases?

A. Calcium carbonate

B. Sodium carbonate

C. Sodium bicarbonate

D. Calcium oxide

**Answer: D**



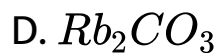
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8. Which of the following metal carbonates is decomposed on heating?

A.  $Na_2CO_3$

B.  $Li_2CO_3$

C.  $K_2CO_3$



**Answer: B**



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9. Which of the following has the highest solubility product?

A. (A) KOH

B. (A) CsOH

C. (C) LiOH

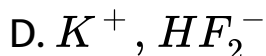
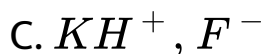
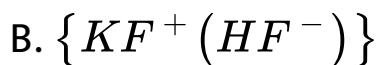
D. (D) RbOH

**Answer: B**



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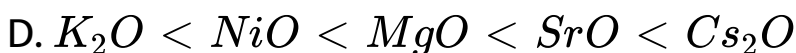
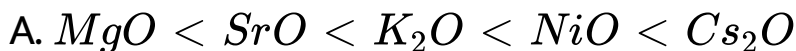
**10.** Which ions are produced when anhydrous KF is mixed with anhydrous HF?



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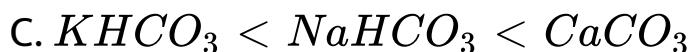
11. Arrange the following in increasing order of basic strength :

$MgO, SrO, K_2O, NiO, Cs_2O$



Answer: C

12. Which of the following are arranged in correct increasing order of solubilities ?



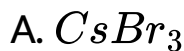
**Answer: D**



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13. Which of the following is a hypothetical molecular formula?

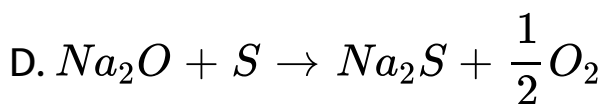
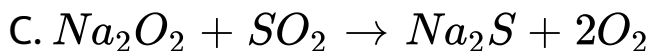
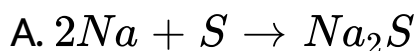


**Answer: D**



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1. The sulphide of Na can be prepared by the following reactions

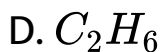
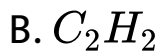
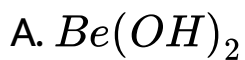


**Answer: A::B**



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2.  $Be_2C$  on hydrolysis yields



**Answer: A::C**



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**3. The diagonal relationship exists in between**

A. Li and Mg

B. Be and Al

C. Be and Na

D. B and Si

**Answer: A::B::D**



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4. The pair of compound which cannot exist in solution is:

A.  $NaHCO_3$  and  $NaOH$

B.  $Na_2SO_3$  and  $NaHCO_3$

C.  $Na_2CO_3$  and  $NaOH$

D.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and  $\text{NaCl}$

**Answer: A::C**



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5. Which of the following are good conductors of electricity in the molten state?

A.  $\text{BeCl}_2$

B.  $\text{CaCl}_2$

C.  $\text{SrCl}_2$

D.  $\text{MgCl}_2$

**Answer: B::C::D**



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6. Chlorides of which of the following metals crystallize from an aqueous solution as hydrates?

A. Li

B. Na

C. K

D. Mg

**Answer: A::D**





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7. Potassium iodide act as reducing agent when treated with

- A. Acidified  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  solution
- B. An acidified  $KMnO_4$  solution
- C. A  $CuSO_4$  solution
- D. A lead acetate solution

**Answer: A::B::C**



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8. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  is more soluble than  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

B.  $\text{NaOH}$  is known as caustic soda

C.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  is used as an antacid

D.  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  is used in the manufacturing of soap  
and glass

**Answer: B::C::D**



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9. Which of the following statement is/are correct?



- A. KCl is a substitute for NaCl for patients of high blood pressure
- B. KOH is a stronger alkali than NaOH
- C. KOH is used in the manufacturing of soft soap
- D. NaOH is a non-deliquescent white crystalline solid

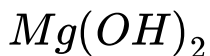
**Answer: A::B::C**

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10. Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct?

A. KOH is less strong alkali than NaOH

B. Milk of magnesia is an aqueous solution of



C.  $Mg^{+2}$  ions are not precipitated with the

addition of  $NH_4OH$  in the presence of



D.  $CaO_2$  is less stable than  $MgO_2$ .

**Answer: B::C**



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11. Which category belongs to electron deficient bridge bonds?

A. Hydrides

B. Carbides

C. Duterides

D. Halides

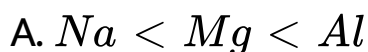
**Answer: A::C**



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1. The elements of group II are known as alkaline earth metals. The electronic configuration of these elements is  $ns^2$  and oxidation state is +2. They have higher ionization energy than alkali metals in their respective period due to their small size and completely filled s-orbital. These elements give characteristic colour to bunsen flame. magnesium is used in the preparation of Grignard agent (RMgX) which is used in organic chemistry for preparation of several organic compounds like alcohols. acids, hydrocarbons.

Q. The correct order of 1st ionization energy is



B.  $Na < Al < Mg$

C.  $Al < Mg < Na$

D.  $Ag < Na < Mg$

**Answer: B**



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Q. Brick red colour of flame test is gives by

A. Sr

B. Ba

C. Ca

D. Mg

**Answer: C**

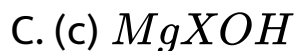
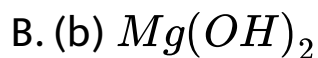
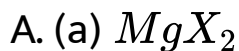


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Q. The reaction of  $\text{RMgX}$  with water will produces



**Answer: C**

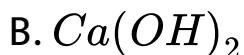
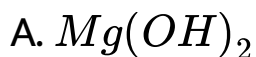


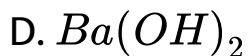
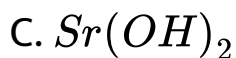
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4. The solubility of most salts depends on the lattice energy of the solid and the hydration energy of the ions. On descending the group, the hydration energy decreases more rapidly than the lattice energy, hence the compound become less soluble as the metals gets larger. however, with the fluorides and hydroxides and the lattice energy decreases more rapidly than the hydration energy and so their solubility increases on descending the group.

Q. The most soluble hydroxide will be

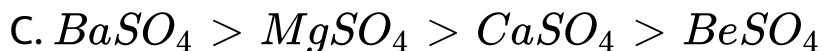
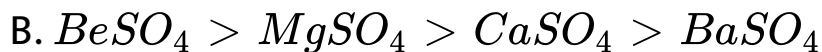
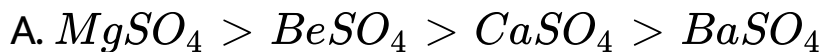


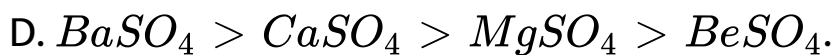


**Answer: D**

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5. Q. Which of the following is correct order of solubility of sulphates of alkaline earth metals?



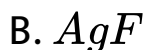
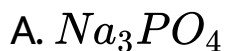


**Answer: B**



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6. Which of the following compounds are soluble in water?



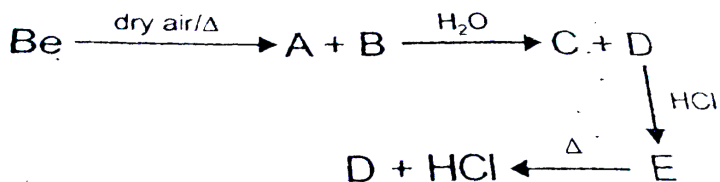
D. All of these

Answer: D



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7.



Q. A & B are

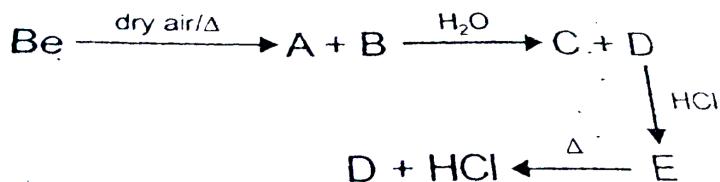


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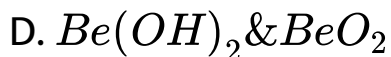
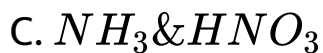
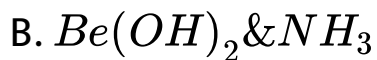


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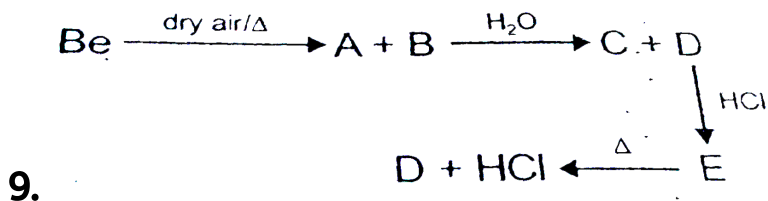


Q. C & D are



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Q. C & D are

A.  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$

B.  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$

C.  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  &  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$

D.  $\text{BeCl}_2$

**Answer: B**



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## Assignment Section E

1. Statement-1: 3M solution of alkali metal in liquid ammonia has copper bronze colour.

Statement-2: copper bronze colour is due to the formation of metal cluster.

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is not correct explanation for  
statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: A**



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2. Statement-1: Lithium is the strongest reducing agent in aqueous solution.



Statement-2: Lithium cannot be obtained by chemical reduction of its ore.

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is a correct explanation for statement-1

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is not correct explanation for statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: B**



3. Assertion (A): Aqueous solution of  $Na_2CO_3$  is alkaline in nature.

Reason (R ): when dissolved in water,  $Na_2CO_3$  undergoes anionic hydrolysis.

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is a correct explanation for statement-1

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is not correct explanation for

statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: A**



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4. Statement-1: Lithium has highest hydration energy.

Statement-2: Lithium is the stronger reducing agent.

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is a correct explanation for  
statement-1

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is not correct explanation for  
statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: B**



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5. Statement-1: Be imparts colour to the bunsen flame.

Statement-2: Be has very high ionisation energy.

A. (a) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is a correct explanation for statement-1

B. (b) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true, statement-2 is not correct explanation for statement-1

C. (c) Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. (d) Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: D**



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6. Statement-1: Lattice energy of  $Na_2SO_4$  is less than its hydration energy.

Statement-2: lattice energy of  $BaSO_4$  is less than its hydration energy

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is a correct explanation for  
statement-1

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is not correct explanation for  
statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: C**



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7. Statement-1: Lattice energy of  $BaSO_4$  is less than  
its hydration energy.

Statement-2:  $|\Delta_L H^\ominus|$  &  $|\Delta_{hyd} H^\ominus|$  both are smaller.

A. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is a correct explanation for  
statement-1

B. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is true,  
statement-2 is not correct explanation for  
statement-1

C. Statement-1 is true, statement-2 is false

D. Statement-1 is false, statement-2 is true

**Answer: A**



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## Assignment Section F

1. The ion that cannot undergo disproportionation is

:



**Answer: A::B::C::D**



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## 2. Match the following

### Column-I

- (A)  $\text{Li} + \text{air} \xrightarrow{\Delta}$   
(B)  $\text{Na} + \text{air} \xrightarrow{\Delta}$   
(C)  $\text{K} + \text{air} \xrightarrow{\Delta}$   
(D)  $\text{Mg} + \text{air} \xrightarrow{\Delta}$

### Column-II

- (p) Oxide  
(q) Nitride  
(r) Hydroxide  
(s) Carbonate



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3. Calculate oxidation no. in given coordination compound.  $\text{Ni}(\text{CO})_4$ .



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**Assignment Section G**

1. The number of water of crystallisation in hypo are \_\_\_\_.

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2. How many of the following are amphoteric oxides?

$Li_2O$ ,  $Na_2O_2$ ,  $BeO$ ,  $Al_2O_3$ ,  $MgO$ ,  $BaO_2$

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3. Be react with air, how many products will form?

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4. Which is the weakest base among  $NaOH$ ,  $Ca(OH)_2$ ,  $KOH$  and  $Be(OH)_2$ .



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## Assignment Section H

1. Statement-1:  $K_2CO_3$  cannot be prepared by Le-blanc method.

Statement-2: Sodium nitrate when heated gives  $NO_2$  gas.

Statement-3:  $NaO_2$  is paramagnetic while  $Na_2O_2$  is diamagnetic.

A. FFT

B. FTT

C. TFT

D. TTF

**Answer: A**



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2. Statement-1: Pure NaCl is a deliquescent crystalline solid.

Statement-2:  $Na_2CO_3$  is known as pearl ash.

Statement-3: Sulphur disproportionates in NaOH.

A. FFT

B. TTF

C. TFT

D. FFF

**Answer: A**



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3. Statement-1: Hydroxides of group-2 are less soluble in water than hydroxides of group-1.

Statement-2:  $CaF_2$  is least soluble in among other

fluoride of group-2.

Statement-3: Li gives red coloured flame.

A. TTF

B. TFF

C. FFF

D. TTT

**Answer: D**



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4. Statement-1: Conc. Solution of Li in  $NH_3$  is diamagnetic.

Statement-2:  $Mg/NH_3$  works as anti-hydrogenation agent.

Statement-3: LiCl forms  $LiCl \cdot 2H_2O$ .

A. TFT

B. FTF

C. TTT

D. FFF

**Answer: A**



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1. Element (A) burns in nitrogen to give an ionic compound, (B) reacts with water to give (C) and (D). A solution of (C) becomes milky on bubbling carbon dioxide. Identify (A),(B),(C) and (D)



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2. What happens when

(i) NaH reacts with water?

(ii) Sodium reacts with excess oxygen?

(iii) Water is dropped over sodium peroxide? Write balanced chemical equation for each.



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### 3. Explain

(i) Why alkali metals are normally kept in kerosene oil.

(ii) Why alkali metal impart colour to the flame?

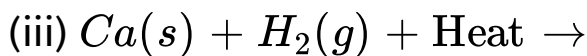
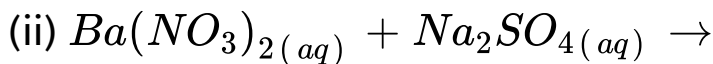
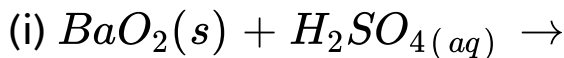
(iii) Explain, why lithium chloride has more covalent character than potassium chloride?

(iv) Why  $BeCO_3$  is kept in an atmosphere of  $CO_2$ ?



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4. Predict the outcome of the following reactions and write balanced equations.



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5. Explain why both  $BeCO_3$  and  $BeSO_4$  are unstable to heat, while  $BaCO_3$  and  $BaSO_4$  are stable.

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6. Identify the element (X) in each of the following

(i) The reaction between metallic element(X) and water is quite slow.

(ii) (X) is a reactive metal which forms three ionic oxides with composition.  $X_2O$ ,  $XO_2$  and  $X_2O_2$  the perchlorate  $XClO_4$  is insoluble in water.

(iii) (X) is the most abundant element in group 1.

(iv) the chemistry of (X) resembles that of magnesium.



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7. identify the group 2 element 'X' in each of the following

(i) The chemistry of X is quite different from that of other element in the group.

(ii) 'X' forms organometallic compound  $RXBr$ . Which is very widely used?



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8. 1 g of magnesium was burnt in air and the ash produced in extracted with excess of water when  $8.96\text{cm}^3$  of ammonia is produced at S.T.P. calculate the amount of Mg, which was converted into

magnesium nitride. Also calculate the amount of MgO present in the ash.



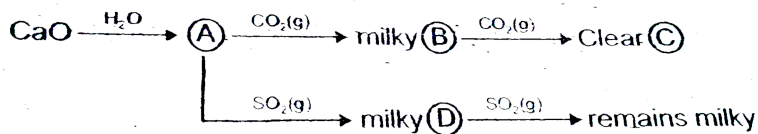
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9. Calcium burns in nitrogen to produce a white powder which dissolves in sufficient water to produce a gas (A) and alkaline solution. The solution on exposure to air produce a thin solid layer of (B) on the surface. Indentity the compound (A) and (B)



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10. Complete the following reaction.



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## Assignment Section J

1. Choose the correct statements among the following :

A. Cs is best oxidising agent due to lowest I.E.

B.  $Li^+$  is best reducing agent due to highest

$$|\Delta_{hyd}H^{\ominus}|$$

C.  $Li^+$  is best reducing agent due to highest

$$\Delta_{hyd}H^{\ominus}$$

D.  $Cs^+$  is best oxidising agent due to low

$$|\Delta_{hyd}H^{\ominus}|$$

**Answer: B**



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2. In castner-Kelner cell when brine is electrolysed, 23g of sodium is released is released on cathode,



volume of  $Cl_2(g)$  released at 380 mm Hg at  $0^\circ C$  will be

A. 22.4 L

B. 11.2L

C. 5.6 L

D. 44.8L

**Answer: A**



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3.  $Na(s) \rightarrow \xrightarrow{\text{air} / \Delta}$  product. Product will be

A.  $Na_2O$

B.  $Na_2O_2$

C.  $NaOH$

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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4. Which of these salts shows the least solubility in water?

A.  $LiCl$

B. NaCl

C. KCl

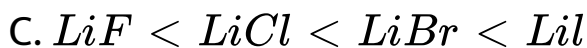
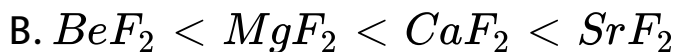
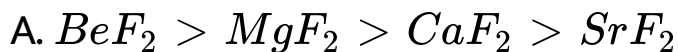
D. RbCl

**Answer: C**



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5. Order of lattice enthalpy is as



D.  $LiI < LiBr < CsBr < CsI$

**Answer: A**



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6. In Solvay ammonia process, sodium bicarbonate is precipitated due to

A.  $NaHCO_3$

B.  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$

C.  $Na_2CO_3$

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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7. Alkali earth metals in liq.  $NH_3$  produce a blue coloured solution, due to

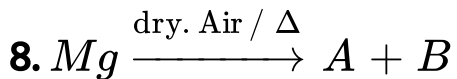
- A. Polarisability of  $NH_3$
- B. Charge transfer
- C.  $d \rightarrow d$  transition
- D. Ammoniated electrons

**Answer: D**





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A. A & B are  $MgO$  &  $MgO_2$

B. A & B are  $MgO_2$  &  $Mg(OH)_2$

C. A+B are  $MgO + Mg_3N_2$

D. A & B are  $MgO_2$  &  $Mg_3N_2$

**Answer: C**



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9. s-block contains the element

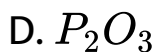
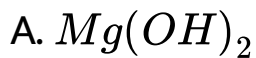
- A. With stable nuclei
- B. With unstable nuclei
- C. With radio active nuclei
- D. With acidic nature

**Answer: A::B::C**



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10.  $Mg_3P_2$  on hydrolysis produces



**Answer: A::C**



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## Examples

1. What are s-block elements ? Write their general electronic configurations.





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2. Name alkali metals in increasing order of atomic number.



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3. Which element of group 2 is not considered as alkaline earth metal?



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4. The general electronic configuration of s-block elements is .....

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5. Lithium exhibits diagonal relationship with

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6. Why are alkali metals not found in nature ?

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7. The alkali metals are soft due to-



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8. Why do alkali metals respond to flame test?



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9. How flame test helps in distinguishing alkali metals?



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10. Why do alkali metal tarnishes in air?



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11. Name the product formed when alkali metals reacts with water.



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12. The alkali metal halides are ionic or covalent?



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**13.** What kind of oxides are formed by lithium?



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**14.** What are oxo-acids?



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**15.** Why does lithium exhibit anomalous properties ?



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16. Which process is used for preparation of sodium carbonate ?

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17. What impurities are present in brine solution?

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18. Which cell is used for manufacture of sodium hydroxide.

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## Exercise

1. Among the following which element is the rarest of all ?

A. Na

B. Cs

C. Fr

D. K

**Answer: C**



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2. Among the chlorides of alkali metals, what is the decreasing order of hydration ?

A.  $\text{NaCl} > \text{RbCl} > \text{LiCl} > \text{CsCl}$

B.  $\text{LiCl} > \text{CsCl} > \text{KCl} > \text{RbCl} > \text{NaCl}$

C.  $\text{LiCl} > \text{NaCl} > \text{KCl} > \text{RbCl} > \text{CsCl}$

D. All are equally hydrated as halide is same

**Answer: C**



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3. What is the correct order of density ?

A.  $\text{Li} > \text{Na} > \text{K}$

B.  $\text{K} > \text{Na} > \text{Li}$

C.  $\text{Na} > \text{K} > \text{Li}$

D.  $\text{Na} = \text{K} < \text{Li}$

**Answer: C**



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4. Among the following which metal forms superoxides of type  $\text{MO}_2$  ?

A. K

B. Rb

C. Cs

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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**5. The alkali metal halides are ionic or covalent ?**

A. LiCl

B. NaI

C. Ki

D. Li

**Answer: D**



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6. the concentrated solution of alkali metals in liquid ammonia becomes blue due to

A. Ammoniated electron

B. Ammoniated metal cations

C. Diamagnetic nature of solution

D. Alkaline nature of metal

**Answer: A**



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7. What is correct statement ?

A. Iodides of alkali metals have highest ionic character among halides

B. LiF is highly soluble in  $H_2O$

C. Low solubility of CsI is due to smaller hydration enthalpy of its two ions

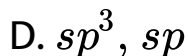
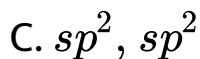
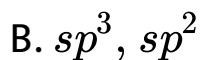
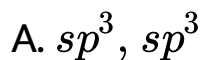
D. All of these

**Answer: C**



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8. The hybridisation fo  $BeCl_2$  in solid state and above 1200 K is respectively



**Answer: D**



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9. On heating alkali metal nitrated product formed are (except  $LiNO_3$ )

A.  $NO_2$  and  $O_2$  only

B.  $NO_2$  only

C.  $NO_2$  and MO only

D.  $MNO_2$  and  $O_2$

**Answer: D**



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10. Paramagnetic behaviour of  $KO_2$  is due to the fact that unpaired electron is present in

- A.  $\pi 2p$  molecular orbital
- B.  $\pi \cdot 2p$  molecular orbital
- C.  $\sigma 2p$  molecular orbital
- D.  $\sigma \cdot 2p$  molecular orbital

**Answer: B**



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11. Aqueous solution of soda lime is

A. Acidic

B. Alkaline

C. Neutral

D. Initially acidic changes to alkaline after some time

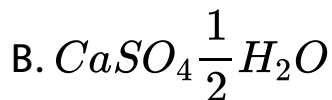
**Answer: B**



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12. On heating gypsum above 393 K, the product formed is



D. Dead burnt plaster

**Answer: D**



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13. In which process  $Ca(OH)_2$  is used to produce  $NH_3$ ?

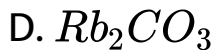
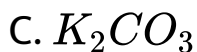
- A. Solvay process
- B. Bosch process
- C. Lane's process
- D. Castner - Kellner process

**Answer: A**



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14. Which of the following carbonate is thermally most unstable?

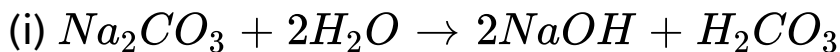


**Answer: A**



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15. Given two reaction, describe them



A. Both are hydration reactions

B. Both are hydrolysis reactions

C. Both are crystallisation reactions

D. Reaction (i) is hydrolysis and reaction (ii) is hydration to form hydrated salt

**Answer: D**



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16. The aqueous solution of baking soda is

A. Acidic

B. Alkaline

C. Neutral

D. Amphoteric

**Answer: B**



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17. Halides of Be dissolve in organic solvent while of Ba do not

A. High hydration energy of Be halides

B. High lattice energy of barium halides

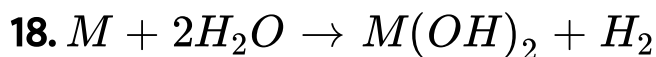
C. Large size of  $Ba^{2+}$

D. Halides of Be are covalent but that of Ba are ionic

**Answer: D**



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Which metal among the following cannot undergo this reaction at high temperatures ?

A. Mg

B. Ba

C. Be

D. Ca

**Answer: C**



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**19.** The ratio of moles of water as water of crystallisation in LiCl and  $BaCl_2$  is

A. 1 : 1

B. 1 : 2

C. 1 : 4

D. 1 : 3

**Answer: A**



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**20.** Ca is the good reducing agent, because

A. It has small size

B. It is the first member of group 2

C. It has one electron in outermost shell



D. It has the negative reduction potential

**Answer: D**



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1. The increasing order of the density of the alkali metal is



C.  $Li < K < Na < Rb < Cs$

D.  $K < Na < Li < Rb < Cs$

**Answer: C**



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2. Which one of the following alkali metals is the most metallic?

A. Li

B. Na

C. K

D. Cs

**Answer: D**



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3. The metallic lustre exhibited by sodium is explained by

A. Diffusion of  $Na^+$  ions

B. Oscillation of loose electrons

C. Excitation of free protons

D. Existence of body centred cubic lattice

**Answer: B**



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4. Which one of the following ions has the largest size in aqueous solution?



**Answer: D**



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5. Which among the following is the strongest reducing agent?

A. K

B. Na

C. Al

D. Mg

**Answer: A**



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6. Sodium chloride imparts a yellow colour to the Bunsen flame .This can be interpreted due to the

A. Sublimation of metallic sodium to give yellow vapour

B. Photosensitivity of sodium

C. Low ionization potential of sodium

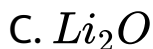
D. Emission of excess of energy absorbed as a radiation in the visible region

**Answer: D**



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7. Which of the following oxides is most basic ?



**Answer: A**



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8. Which among  $Na$ ,  $K$ ,  $Cs$  and  $Li$  forms most stable hydride?

A.  $\text{LiI}$

B.  $\text{KH}$

C.  $\text{NaH}$

D.  $\text{CsH}$

**Answer: A**



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9.  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  cannot be prepared by solvay's process because

A.  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  is more soluble



B.  $K_2CO_3$  is less soluble

C.  $KHCO_3$  is more soluble than  $NaHCO_3$

D.  $KHCO_3$  is less soluble than  $NaHCO_3$

**Answer: C**



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**10. Which decomposes on heating-**

A. NaOH

B. KOH

C. LiOH

D. RbOH

**Answer: C**



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**11.** Solvay process is used for the manufacture of

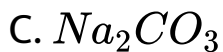
- A. Sodium metal
- B. Washing soda
- C. Bleaching powder
- D. Quick lime

**Answer: B**



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12. In the manufacture of sodium hydroxide by product obtained is



**Answer: B**



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13. Which of the following alkali metal bicarbonates readily decomposes?



**Answer: A**



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14. Which of the alkali metals has the polarizing power close to that of Magnesium ?

A. Lithium

B. Sodium

C. Potassium

D. Caesium

**Answer: A**



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15. In the preparation of sodium carbonate ( $Na_2CO_3$ ) which of the following is used as raw material?

- A. Slaked lime
- B. Brine
- C. Quick lime
- D. Sodium hydroxide

**Answer: B**



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16. Which of the following halides has the highest melting point ?

A. NaCl

B. NaBr

C. NaF

D. NaI

**Answer: C**



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17. The first ionization energies of alkaline earth metal are higher than those of the alkali metals. This is because:

- A. There is increase in the nuclear charge of the alkaline earth metals
- B. There is decrease in the nuclear charge of the alkaline earth metals
- C. There is no change in the nuclear charge
- D. All of these

**Answer: A**



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18. Why does magnesium form  $Mg^{2+}$  and not  $Mg^+$  ?

A. be

B. Mg

C. Ca

D. Ba

**Answer: D**



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19. Why does magnesium form  $Mg^{2+}$  and not  $Mg^+$  ?

A. Magnesium (II) is insoluble in water

B. Commonly higher oxidation states are preferred by metals

C. Ionic radius of Mg(II) is smaller than that of Mg(I)

D. High hydration energy as well as high lattice

**Answer: D**



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20. Which of the following alkaline earth metals do not impart any color to the flame?

A. Be

B. Mg

C. Ca

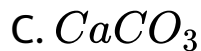
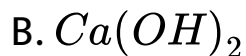
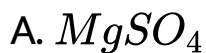
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**Answer: B**



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21. Lime water is an aqueous solution of



**Answer: B**



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**22.** Which one of the following chlorides has maximum tendency to form hydrate ?



B. NaCl

C.  $MgCl_2$

D. LiCl

**Answer: C**



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**23.** Setting of plaster of paris is

A. Oxidation with atmospheric oxygen

B. Combination with atmospheric  $CO_2$

C. Dehydration

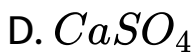
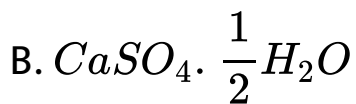
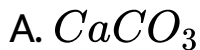
## D. Hydration

**Answer: D**



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**24.** Dead burnt plaster is

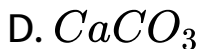
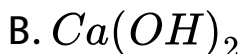
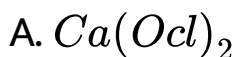
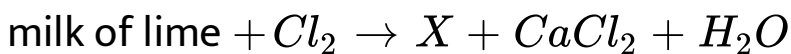


**Answer: D**



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25. Identify the unknown product (X) in the following reaction

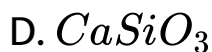
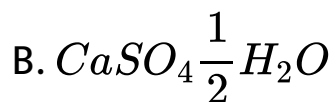


**Answer: A**



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26. Formula of gypsum salt is



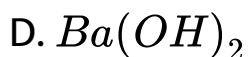
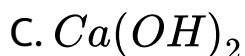
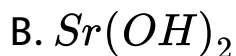
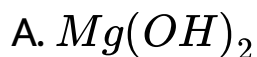
**Answer: A**



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27. Which of the following hydroxides is the most soluble in water ?



**Answer: D**



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**28.** Which of the following metals is most commonly used in photochemical cells?

A. Lithium

B. Calcium

C. Caesium

D. Francium

**Answer: C**



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**29.** Which of the following is an amphoteric oxide?

A. CaO

B. NaOH

C. BeO

D. LiOH

**Answer: C**



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**30.** Which of the following statements is/are true for all the alkali metals ?

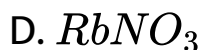
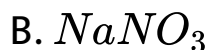
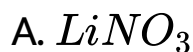
- A. Their nitrates decompose on heating to give  $NO_2$  and  $O_2$
- B. Their carbonates decompose on heating to give  $CO_2$  and metal oxide
- C. They react with oxygen to give mainly the oxide  $MO_2$
- D. They react with halogens to give halides  $MX$

**Answer: D**



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1. Among the nitrate of alkali metals which one can be decomposed to its oxide on strong heating?



**Answer: A**



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2. which among the following does not at all show the tendency to form peroxides?

A. Li

B. Mg

C. Be

D. Ba

**Answer: D**

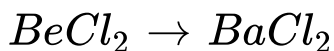


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3. Which one of the following statements is correct?

A. Are all hygroscopic in nature

B. Increase in lattice enthalpy from



C. Decrease in m.p. from  $BeCl_2 \rightarrow BaCl_2$

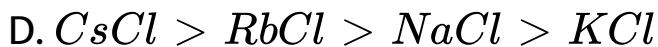
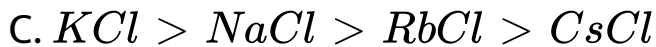
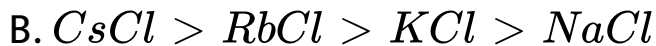
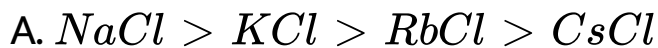
D. Are all insoluble except  $BaCl_2$

**Answer: A**



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4. The solubility of most of the alkali metal halides except those of \_\_\_ decreases on descending the group.

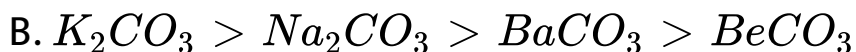
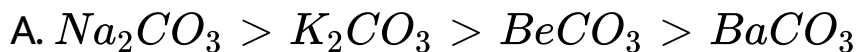


**Answer: D**

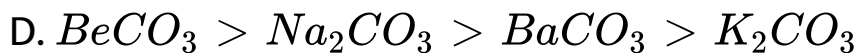
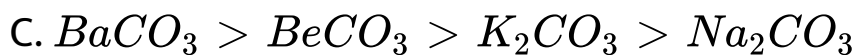


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**5. The thermal stability order of the carbonates is**







**Answer: B**



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6. The thermal stability of alkaline earth metal carbonates increases from Be to Ba. This is because

A. Covalent nature decreases and Ionic nature increases

B. Lattice energy increases

C. Electropositive nature decreases

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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7. The solubility of sulphates in water decreases from  $MgSO_4 \rightarrow BaSO_4$  It is due to the fact that

A. Ionic nature increases

B. Size of  $M^{2+}$  ion increases

C. Lattice energy decreases

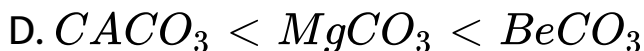
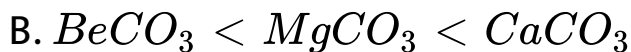
D. Hydration enthalpy of  $M^{2+}$  ions decreases

**Answer: D**



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8. Which of the following order is correct for thermal stability?



**Answer: B**



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9. Which one of the following statements concerning the compounds of Lithium is false?

A. The hydroxide, Carbonate, nitrate, decompose to give the oxide on heating

B. It is the most electronegative among alkali

C. The hydrogen carbonate cannot be isolated as a stable solid

D. It forms a peroxide but not superoxide

**Answer: D**



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**10.** Which of the following statements is incorrect for Be?

A. Most of its compounds are largely covalent

B.  $BeCl_2$  has bridged covalent structure and is a linear molecule above 1200 K

C. It has distinctive group properties due to smaller size and high electronegativity

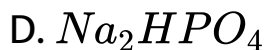
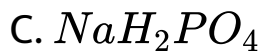
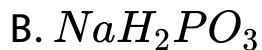
D. It from  $Be^{2+}$  ions because of the lower value  
the sum of 1st and 2nd L.E.

**Answer: D**



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**11. Which of the following is not an acidic salt ?**



**Answer: A**



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**12. Baking soda is**

A.  $\text{NaCl}$

B.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$

C.  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$

D.  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$

**Answer: B**



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**13.** Give reason for the following :

(a) Sodium metal is kept immersed in kerosene.

(b) Blue colour of copper sulphate disappears when a  
some aluminium powder is added in it.

A. Alcohol

B. Kerosene oil

C. Water

D. Petrol

**Answer: B**



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14. Metallic magnesium is prepared by-

A. Displacement of Mg by iron from  $MgSO_4$  solution

B. Electrolysis of an aqueous solution of  $Mg(NO_3)_2$

C. Electrolysis of molten  $MgCl_2$

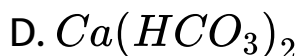
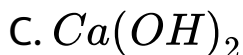
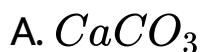
D. Reduction of MgO by aluminium

**Answer: C**



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15. Chemical A is used for water softening to remove temporary hardness. A reacts with sodium carbonate to generate caustic soda. When  $CO_2$  is bubbled through a solution of A, it turns cloudy. What is the chemical formula of A?



**Answer: C**



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16. Alums are not formed by which alkali metal ?

A. Li

B. K

C. Na

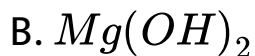
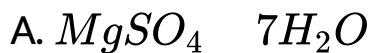
D. Cs

**Answer: A**



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17. Epsom salt is

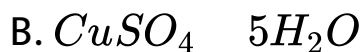
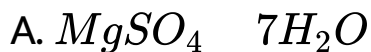


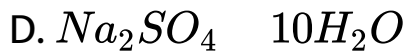
**Answer: A**



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**18.** The molecular formula of Glauber's salt is





**Answer: D**



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**19.** Electrolysis of  $KCl \cdot MgCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  gives

A. Mg only

B. K only

C. K and Mg only

D. Mg, K and  $Cl_2$

**Answer: D**



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20. Dehydration of hydrates of halides of calcium, barium and strontium i.e.,  $CaCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ ,  $BaCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ ,  $SrCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$ , can be achieved by heating. These become wet on keeping in air. Which of the following statements is correct about these halides?

A. Smaller ionic size

B. Increased charge on ions

C. Higher hydration enthalpies

D. High oxidation potential

**Answer: C**



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21. Compared with the alkaline earth metals, the alkali metals exhibit

A. Greater hardness

B. Higher m.p.

C. Smaller ionic radii

D. Lower ionization energy

**Answer: D**



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**22. Which is not the compound of sodium?**

A. Chile salt petre

B. Salt petre

C. Glauber's salt

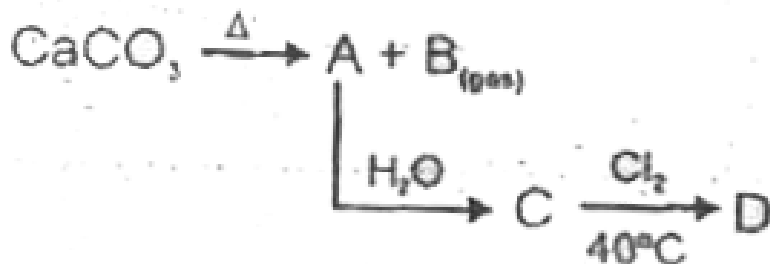
D. Soda ash

**Answer: B**



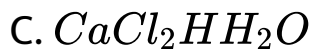
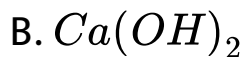


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23.

Product D is



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24. Draw 1,3-Dibromo- benzene



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25. How does the basic character of oxides of group 2 elements vary on moving down the group ?

A. MgO

B. CaO

C. SrO

D. BaO

**Answer: A**



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**26.** Beryllium on ignition in air gives

A. BeO

B.  $Be_3N_2$

C. Both (a) & (b)

D. BeC

**Answer: C**



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27.  $Na_2CO_3 + H_2O + CO_2 \rightarrow (A)$ . White crystalline powder (A) on reaction with phenolphthalein gives

A. Pink colour

B. Yellow colour

C. Orange colour

D. No colour

**Answer: A**



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28. Write the chemical equation of preparation of baking soda. What are the uses of baking soda ?

A. Starch

B.  $Ca(H_2PO_4)_2$

C.  $NaHCO_3$

D. All of these

**Answer: C**



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29. Which of the following statements is true?

A.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  is strongly basic in nature

B. Pure NaCl is hygroscopic

C. On increasing temperature increase in solubility of NaCl in water occurs

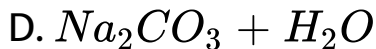
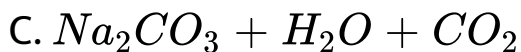
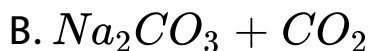
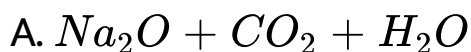
D. All of these

**Answer: C**



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30. On heating sodium hydrogen carbonate, the products formed are



**Answer: C**



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1. Ionic mobility of which of the following alkali metal ions is lowest when aqueous solution of their salts are put under an electric field ?

A. Na

B. K

C. Rb

D. Li

**Answer: D**



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2. Suspension of slaked lime in water is known as

A. Limewater

B. Quicklime

C. Milk of lime

D. Aqueous solution of slaked lime

**Answer: C**



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3. In context with beryllium, which one of the following statements is incorrect ?

- A. It is rendered passive by nitric acid
- B. It form  $Be_2C$
- C. Its salts rarely hydrolyze
- D. Its hydride is electron-deficient and polymeric

**Answer: C**

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4. Which of the following statement is false?

- A.  $Mg^{2+}$  ions are important in the green parts  
of plants

B.  $Mg^{2+}$  ions form a complex with ATP

C.  $Ca^{2+}$  ions are important in blood clotting

D.  $Ca^{2+}$  ions are not important in maintaining the regular beating of the heart

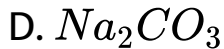
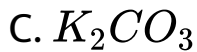
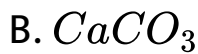
**Answer: D**



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5. On heating which of the following releases  $CO_2$  most easily?

A.  $MgCO_3$



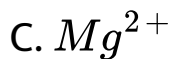
**Answer: A**



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6. The function of Sodium pump is a biological process operating in each and every cell of all animals. Which of the following biologically important ions is also constant f this pump ?



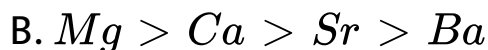
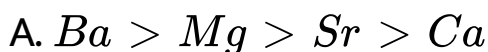


**Answer: D**



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7. Solubility of the alkaline earth's metal sulphates in water decreases in the sequence



C.  $Ca > Sr > Ba > Mg$

D.  $Sr > Ca > Mg > Ba$

**Answer: B**



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8. Which one of the alkali metals forms only the normal oxide,  $M_2O$ , on heating in air ?

A. Li

B. Na

C. Rb

D. K

**Answer: A**



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9. Equimolar solution of the following substances were prepared separately. Which one of these will record the highest pH value?

A. LiCl

B.  $BeCl_2$

C.  $BaCl_2$

D.  $AlCl_3$

**Answer: C**



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**10.** Which of the following compounds has the lowest melting point ?

A.  $CaF_2$

B.  $CaCl_2$

C.  $CaBr_2$

D.  $CaI_2$

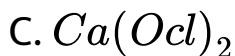


Answer: D



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11. Which one of the following is present as an active ingredient in bleaching powder for bleaching action ?



Answer: C



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12. Which of the following statement is incorrect ?

A. Aluminium reacts with excess NaOH to give



B.  $NaHCO_3$  on heating gives  $Na_2CO_3$

C. Pure sodium metal dissolves in liquid ammonia  
to give blue solution

D. NaOH reacts with glass to give sodium silicate

Answer: A

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13. Match list-I with list-II for the composition of substances and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists

List-I

(Substances)

(A) Plaster of paris

(B) Epsomite

(C) Kieserite

(D) Gypsum

(1) A(i), B(ii), C(iii), D(iv)

List-II

(Composition)

(i)  $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$

(ii)  $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2\text{O}$

(iii)  $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$

(iv)  $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$

A. A(i), B(ii), C(iii), D(iv)

B. A(iv), B(iii), C(ii),D(i)

C. A(iii), B(iv), C(i), D(ii)

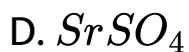
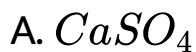
D. A(ii), B(iii), C(iv), D(i)

**Answer: D**



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**14.** Which one of the following alkaline earth metal sulphates has its hydration enthalpy greater than its lattice enthalpy ?



**Answer: B**



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**15.** Property of the alkaline earth metals that increases down the group with their atomic number is

is

A. Solubility of their hydroxides in water

B. Solubility of their sulphates in water

C. Ionization energy

D. Electronegativity

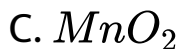
**Answer: A**



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**16.** Which one of the following compounds is a peroxide?

A.  $KO_2$



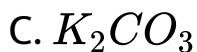
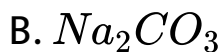
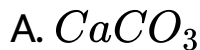
**Answer: B**



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17. The compound A on heating gives a colourless gas and a residue that dissolved in water to obtain B. Excess of  $CO_2$  is bubbled through aqueous solution of B, C is formed which is recovered in the solid form.

Solid C on gentle heating gives back A. The compound is:-



**Answer: A**



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**18.** Which of the following oxides is not expected to react with sodium hydroxide ?



A. CaO

B.  $SiO_2$

C. BeO

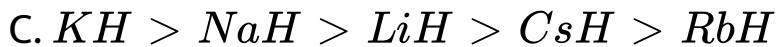
D.  $B_2O_3$

**Answer: A**



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**19.** The alkali metals form salt like hydrides by the direct synthesis at elevated temperature. The thermal stability of these hydrides decreases in which of the following orders ?

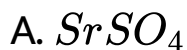


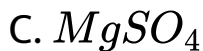
**Answer: A**



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**20.** In which of the following the hydration energy is higher than the lattice energy ?



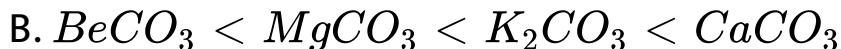
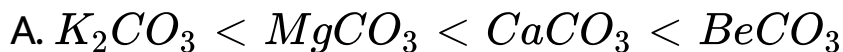


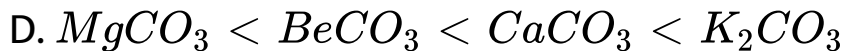
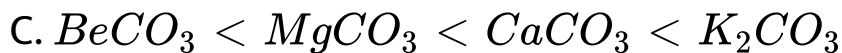
**Answer: C**



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**21.** The correct order of increasing thermal stability of  $K_2CO_3$ ,  $MgCO_3$ ,  $CaCO_3$  and  $BeCO_3$  is

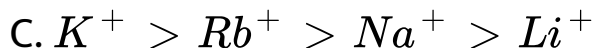
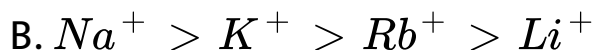
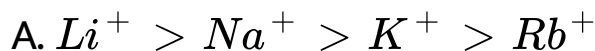


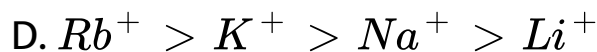


**Answer: C**

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22. The correct order of the mobility of the alkali metal ions in aqueous solution is





**Answer: D**



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**23.** In Castner-Kellner cell for production of sodium hydroxide :

- A. Brine is electrolyzed with Pt electrodes
- B. Brine is electrolyzed using graphite electrodes
- C. Molten sodium chloride is electrolysed

D. Sodium amalgam is formed at mercury cathode

**Answer: D**

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24. In the replacement reaction



The reaction will be most favourable if M happens to be

A. Na

B. K

C. Rb

D. Li

**Answer: C**

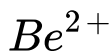


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**25.** The solubility in water of sulphate down the Be group is  $Be > Mg > Ca > Sr > Ba$ . . This is due to

A. Decreasing lattice energy

B. High heat of solvation for smaller ions like



C. Increase in melting point

D. Increasing molecular weight

**Answer: B**



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**26.** Sodium is made by the electrolysis of a molten mixture of about 40% NaCl and 60%  $\text{CaCl}_2$  because

(a)  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ion can reduce NaCl to Na

(b)  $\text{CaCl}_2$  helps in conduction of electricity



(c) this mixture has a lower melting point than NaCl

(d)  $Ca^{2+}$  can displace Na from  $NaCl$ .

A.  $Ca^{++}$  can displace Na from NaCl

B. This mixture has a lower melting point than NaCl

C.  $CaCl_2$  helps in conduction of electricity

D.  $Ca^{++}$  can reduce NaCl to Na

**Answer: B**



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27. Identify the correct statement.

A. Plaster of Paris can be obtained by hydration of gypsum

B. Plaster of Paris is obtained by partial oxidation of gypsum

C. Gypsum contains a lower percentage of calcium than Plaster of Paris

D. Gypsum is obtained by heating Plaster of Paris

**Answer: C**



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28. Calcium is obtained by the

A. Reduction of calcium chloride with carbon

B. Electrolysis of molten anhydrous calcium chloride

C. Roasting of limestone

D. Electrolysis of solution of calcium chloride in  $H_2O$

**Answer: B**



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29. When a substance A reacts with water it produces a combustible gas B and a solution of substance C in water. When another substance D reacts with this solution of C, it also produces the same gas B on warming but D can also produce gas B on reaction with dilute sulphuric acid at room temperature. A imparts a deep flame of yellow colour to a Bunsen burner. A, B, C and D, respectively are

A.  $Ca$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $Ca(OH)_2$ ,  $Sn$

B.  $K$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $KOH$ ,  $Al$

C.  $Na$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $NaOH$ ,  $Zn$

D.  $CaC_2$ ,  $C_2H_2$ ,  $Ca(OH)_2$ ,  $Fe$

**Answer: C**



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## Assignment Section D

1. A :  $NaN_3$  and  $Na_3N$  both are stable.

R : Na when reacted with atmospheric nitrogen at different temperature forms. Stable

$NaN_3$  and  $Na_3N$

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: D**



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2. A : Magnesium sulphate is heptahydrate where as calcium sulphate is dihydrate.

R : Mg and Ca belongs to Group II.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanantion of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanantion of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: B**

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3. A : LiF and CsI both are less soluble in water .

R : LiF is with high lattice energy and CsI is with smaller hydration energy.



- A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).
- B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).
- C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).
- D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: A**



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4. A : Lithium is less reactive but the strongest reducing agent in aqueous solution.

R : Lithium shows positive reduction potential.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: C**



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5. A : Na and Li are stored under kerosene.

R : Na and Li are soluble in kerosene.

- A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).
- B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).
- C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).
- D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: D**



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6. A :  $CaCO_3$  requires more temperature than  $MgCO_3$  for decomposition.

R : Group II metal carbonates on decomposition gives respective oxide and  $CO_2$

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the

assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: B**



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7. A : Magnesium and Cesium gives blue colour in flame colouration.

R : Mg and Cs are of comparable size.

- A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).
- B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).
- C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).
- D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: D**



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8. Statement-1: Lithium has highest hydration energy.

Statement-2: Lithium is the stronger reducing agent.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).



C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: B**

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9. A : On reaction with liquid ammonia, alkali metals give conducting solution.

R : Ammoniated  $e^-$  and ammoniated cations are

formed when alkali metals is present in liquid ammonia.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: A**

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**10.** Statement-1: Lithium's reaction with water is less vigorous than that of sodium.

Statement-2: : Lithium has small size and very high hydration energy.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the

assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: C**



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**11. A :** Solubility of alkaline earth metal carbonates decreases down the group.

**R :** Hydration enthalpy decreases down the group whereas lattice enthalpy remain almost constant

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is not the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).

C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: A**



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**12. A :** Magnesium do not impart flame colourtion.

**R :** The  $e^-$  in magnesium are too strongly bound to get excited by flame.

- A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).
- B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).
- C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).
- D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: A**



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**13.** A : Beryllium hydroxide is basic in nature only

R : It reacts with acid only and not with base.

A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).

B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).



C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).

D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: D**



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**14. A :** Aq solution of washing soda is alkaline in nature

**R :** It is salt of weak acid and strong base.

- A. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (1).
- B. If both Assertion & Reason are true and the reason is not the correct explanation of the assertion, then mark (2).
- C. If Assertion is true statement but Reason is false. Then mark (3).
- D. If both Assertion and reason are false statement, then mark (4).

**Answer: A**



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15. (a). What is the hybrid state of  $Be$  in  $BeCl_2$  in vapour state. What will be the change in the hybrid state of  $BeCl_2$  in the solid state?

(b). Draw the structure of (i)  $BeCl_2$  (vapour state) and (ii)  $BeCl_2$  (solid state).

(c ). Why do halides and hydrides of beryllium polymerise?



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