

4 • Classifying Chemicals

READING NOTES 4.1

19-9 Brønsted-Lowry Acids and Bases

The Point:

Scientists use two kinds of definitions. We will use the same two to define acids & bases. Our operational definition is based on a labette. Some of the conceptual definition you will understand now, some will show up later (electron-dot symbols).

1. An **operational definition** is based on _____

In other words, some sort of **test**.

2. For example, the operational definition of an _____ is a solution that will conduct electricity.

3. From class, the operational definition of an **acid** is:

4. From class, the operational definition of a **base** is:

5. The operational definition of a **neutral** substance is:

6. A **conceptual definition** is based on _____

In other words, the theory of **why** something acts the way it does.

7. Acids can be defined conceptually as _____

[This is the Arrhenius definition of acids.]

8. Write the symbol for a hydrogen ion: _____

Here is a water molecule, H₂O:



Draw the + and - end on the water.

The H⁺ ion will be attracted to H₂O.

Draw how it will look:

This is H₃O⁺, called _____ ion and referred to in the text as a “hydrated hydrogen ion.”

9. According to Brønsted & Lowry, an **acid** is a substance, either _____ or _____, that can _____ a proton (_____) to another substance.

10. A base is any substance that can _____ a proton from another substance.

11. A proton is the same as which ion? _____

12. Study Figure 19-16 on page 561.

Which molecule is donating a proton? _____

Which molecule is accepting the proton? _____

The acid is _____ and the base is _____

(according to Brønsted & Lowry.)

13. $\text{HCl(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$ (Eq. 14)

Label the reactants as “acid” and “base.”

14. $\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) + \text{H}_2\text{O(l)} \rightarrow \text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$ (Eq. 15)

Label the reactants as “acid” and “base.”

15. To summarize:

	Acid	Base
Operational definition	turns cabbage juice _____	turns cabbage juice _____
Arrhenius Conceptual Definition	increases the [] in aqueous solution	increases the [] in aqueous solution
Brønsted-Lowry Conceptual Definition	proton _____	proton _____

19-6 Properties of Acids

The Point:

There are standard properties of acids that everyone should know. Here they are.

16. 1. *Acids are _____ that ionize when added to _____. This means that acids are not ionic compounds; they only form ions when they are dissolved in water.*

2. *Acids react with active _____ to produce _____ gas. Examples of active metals are _____, _____, _____, _____ (write their symbols). Examples of non-active metals are _____, _____, _____, and _____. Copy (Eq. 9) here as an example.*

3. *Acids affect the colors of acid-base* _____ . An example we used in our recent labette is _____ . In the baggie lab (with CaCl_2 and NaHCO_3) we used _____ solution.
4. *Acids* _____ *bases*.
5. *Dilute acids have a* _____ *taste*. Three foods that contain acids are _____ , _____ , and _____ .

19. Acids act like acids because they have H^+ ions. Bases act like bases because they have OH^- ions. During neutralization, $\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow$ _____ .
20. Write balanced neutralization reactions for the following acid-base combinations. Afterwards, check your answers in Figure 19-13 (page 558.)



21. Many bases contain OH^- ions. NH_3 is a very common example that does not, however it can still increase the $[\text{OH}^-]$ because it accepts a proton from water. Copy (Eq. 12) on page 559.
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19-7 Arrhenius Bases and Their Properties

The Point:

Bases also have well-known properties. Some of the properties are a little different than those of acids. Here they are.

17. 1. *Bases are* _____ .
2. *Bases cause indicators to turn a characteristic color*. Cabbage juice turns _____ . In the baggie lab, the phenol red solution was slightly basic. It's basic color is _____ .
3. *Bases* _____ *acids*. Copy (Eq. 13)

This is a _____ reaction. The "driving force" is the formation of _____ a very weak electrolyte.

4. *Water solutions of bases taste* _____ *and feel* _____ . It is a _____ (good/bad) idea to **taste test** laboratory chemicals to see whether they are acids or bases.

18. List the five common bases in Figure 19-12:

Name	Formula	Common name