

Types of Reactions Summary

I. Metathesis Reactions (Double Replacement Reactions)

A. Precipitation Reactions: $AB(aq) + CD(aq) \rightarrow AD + CB$ – one of these must be a solid for reaction to occur

Example: Zinc nitrate + sodium phosphate \rightarrow sodium nitrate (aq) + zinc phosphate (s)
 $3\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2(aq) + 2\text{Na}_3\text{PO}_4(aq) \rightarrow 6\text{NaNO}_3(aq) + \text{Zn}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2(s)$

Solubility rules

1. Salts containing Group I elements are soluble (Li^+ , Na^+ , K^+ , Cs^+ , Rb^+). Exceptions to this rule are rare. Salts containing the ammonium ion (NH_4^+) are also soluble.
2. Salts containing nitrate ion (NO_3^-) and acetates ($\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$) are generally soluble.
3. Salts containing Cl^- , Br^- , I^- are generally soluble. Important exceptions to this rule are halide salts of Ag^+ , Pb^{2+} , and Hg_2^{2+} . Thus, AgCl , PbBr_2 , and Hg_2Cl_2 are all insoluble.
4. Most sulfate salts are soluble. Important exceptions to this rule include BaSO_4 , PbSO_4 , Hg_2SO_4 and CaSO_4 .
5. Most hydroxide salts are only slightly soluble. Hydroxide salts of Group I elements are soluble. Hydroxide salts of Group II elements (Ca, Sr, and Ba) are slightly soluble. Hydroxide salts of transition metals and Al^{3+} are insoluble. Thus, Fe(OH)_3 , Al(OH)_3 , Co(OH)_2 are not soluble.
6. Most sulfides, carbonates, chromates, and phosphates are insoluble except for those containing alkali metals and NH_4^+ .

The rules above are summarized in the following table:

Ion	Solubility	Exceptions
Group 1A ions	Soluble	None
NH_4^+	Soluble	None
NO_3^-	Soluble	None
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	Soluble	None
Cl^- , Br^- , and I^-	Soluble	Ag^+ , Pb^{2+} , Cu^+ , Hg_2^{2+}
SO_4^{2-}	Soluble	Pb^{2+} , Ca^{2+} , Ba^{2+} , and Hg_2^{2+}
OH^- ,	Insoluble	Group 1A; Ca^{2+} , Sr^{2+} , and Ba^{2+} are slightly soluble
S^{2-} , CO_3^{2-} , CrO_4^{2-} and PO_4^{3-}	Insoluble	Group 1A and NH_4^+

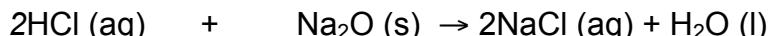
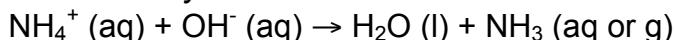
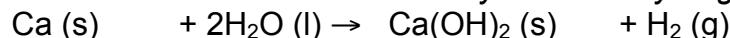
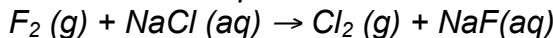
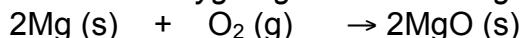
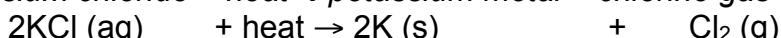
B. Acid Base Reactions

1. Acid + Base \rightarrow Salt + Water

Example: Hydrochloric acid + sodium hydroxide \rightarrow sodium chloride + water
 $\text{HCl}(aq) + \text{NaOH}(aq) \rightarrow \text{NaCl}(aq) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$

2. Acid + Carbonate Base \rightarrow Salt + Water + Carbon Dioxide

Example: Hydrochloric acid + sodium carbonate \rightarrow sodium chloride + water + carbon dioxide
 $2\text{HCl}(aq) + \text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(aq) \rightarrow 2\text{NaCl}(aq) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(l) + \text{CO}_2(g)$

3. Acid + Metal Oxide → Salt + Water*Example: Hydrochloric acid + sodium oxide → sodium chloride + water***4. Bronstead-Lowry Rxn (transfer of a proton)***Example: Ammonium + hydroxide → water + ammonia***II. Oxidation-Reduction Reactions****A. Displacement****1. Metal A + Metal B Salt → Metal A Salt + Metal B***Example: Zinc metal + copper(II) sulfate → Zinc sulfate + copper***2. Metal + Acid → Metal salt + hydrogen gas***Example: Zinc metal + hydrochloric acid → zinc chloride + hydrogen gas***3. Metal + Water → Metal hydroxide + hydrogen gas***Example: Calcium metal + water → Calcium hydroxide + hydrogen gas***4. Active Halogen + Metal Halogen Salt → Less Active Halogen + Metal Halogen Salt***Example: Fluorine + Aqueous Sodium Chloride → chlorine + sodium fluoride***B. Combination (Composition) [A + B → AB]****Example: Metal + Oxygen → Metal Oxide****OR Nonmetal + Oxygen → Nonmetal oxide***Example: Magnesium metal + oxygen gas → solid magnesium oxide***C. Decomposition [AB → A + B]****Examples: Metal Salt + heat → Metal + gas****or Metal Chlorate/Perchlorate + heat → Metal Salt + O₂ (g)***Example: potassium chloride + heat → potassium metal + chlorine gas**Example: potassium perchlorate + heat → potassium chloride + oxygen gas***D. Combustion****Hydrocarbon + oxygen gas → Carbon Dioxide + Water***Example: C₄H₁₀ + oxygen gas → carbon dioxide + water (can be l or g)*