B1-B4 · Cumulative B

Original diploma-style practice | Items 1-2

Scope: see the title; not a full diploma examination. Matching, ordering, ranking and selection tasks provide supplementary skill practice.

Use the givens and conditions in each prompt. Enter the requested count, coefficient, oxidation number or potential with the stated unit and precision.

CB-01 · Numerical response

A neutral Al atom has 13 protons and 13 electrons. It loses 3 electrons and becomes an ion. How many electrons does the ion have? Enter a whole number.

Response: _____

CB-02 · Numerical response

Find sulfur’s oxidation number in SO_3^{2-}. Enter a signed integer.

Response: _____

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CB-03 · Numerical response

Use these reductions from the Alberta Chemistry 30 Data Booklet, Standard Electrode Potentials: $Ag^{+} + e^{-} \rightarrow Ag$, +0.80 V; $Cu^{2+} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Cu$, +0.34 V; $Zn^{2+} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Zn$, -0.76 V. Use standard table conditions (25 °C, 1.0 mol/L solutions; pure solids). For Zn metal with Cu^{2+} as the proposed oxidizing agent, calculate E°. Enter volts to two decimal places.

Response: _____

CB-04 · Numerical response

One half-reaction gives off 3 electrons. The other takes in 1 electrons. What is the lowest number of electrons that both can be multiplied up to before you add them? Enter a whole number.

Response: _____

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CB-05 · Multiple choice

Given $Mg + Cu^{2+} \rightarrow Mg^{2+} + Cu$, which reactant is the reducing agent?

A. The oxidation product
B. The reduction product
C. Mg
D. Cu^{2+}

Response: _____

CB-06 · Numerical response

Find the oxidation number of H in CaH_2. Enter a signed integer.

Response: _____

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CB-07 · Numerical response

In acidic solution, balance $Cr_2O_7^{2-} \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+}$. How many H_2O are needed to balance the oxygen? Enter a whole number.

Response: _____

CB-08 · Ordering / ranking

Tests show that Zn reduces Cu^{2+} and that Cu reduces Ag^{+}. Put the metals in order from the strongest to the weakest reducing agent.

Strongest to weakest

1. Ag
2. Zn
3. Cu

Response: _____

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CB-09 · Multiple choice

An ion made of one atom changes from a charge of +2 to +1. Which statement is correct?

A. It lost an electron, so it was oxidized
B. It gained an electron, so it was reduced
C. It gained an electron, so it was oxidized
D. It is not redox, because both charges are positive

Response: _____

CB-10 · Written response

C_2H_6 burns in O_2 and forms CO_2 and H_2O. Oxygen in O_2 changes from 0 to -2. Name the oxidizing agent and explain why.

Response: _____

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CB-11 · Numerical response

In acidic solution, the atoms are balanced in $Cr_2O_7^{2-} + 14H^+ \rightarrow 2Cr^{3+} + 7H_2O$. How many electrons must be added on the left? Enter a whole number.

Response: _____

CB-12 · Multiple choice

A simulation gives the same coating or no-coating result four times. Which conclusion follows?

A. A real measurement would have no error
B. Four separate real measurements were made
C. The simulation gives the same result each time
D. All effects of a dirty metal surface were measured

Response: _____

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CB-13 · Written response

Given $NaCl(s) \rightarrow Na^{+}(aq) + Cl^{-}(aq)$. A student says dissolving is redox because the equation shows ions. Explain the mistake. Use what is in the solid.

Response: _____

CB-14 · Numerical response

In a reaction, 3 carbon atom(s) change from an average oxidation number of -8/3 to +4. How many electrons are lost in total? Enter a whole number.

Response: _____

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CB-15 · Select all that apply

Given this half-reaction in basic solution: $OCl^- + H_2O + 2e^- \rightarrow Cl^- + 2OH^-$. Select every correct statement.

A. The Cl, O and H atoms balance
B. The charge is -3 on each side
C. Because OH^- is there, the charge does not have to balance
D. Electrons on the left mean it is a reduction

Response: _____

CB-16 · Select all that apply

An investigation compares different pairs of a metal and an ion. Select every variable that should be kept the same for a fair test.

A. Temperature
B. Ion concentration
C. Exposed metal surface area
D. Which pair is being tested

Response: _____

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CB-17 · Written response

One Zn atom becomes Zn^{2+}. 1 Cu^{2+} ion(s) become neutral metal. Draw or describe the arrow that shows the electrons moving. Label the number of electrons, the oxidation and the reduction.

Response: _____

CB-18 · Multiple choice

A student sets the sum of the oxidation numbers in SO_3^{2-} equal to zero. What should the student change?

A. Change every oxygen to zero
B. Set the sum equal to -2, the charge of the ion
C. Change subscripts until the sum works
D. Treat the ion as an element by itself

Response: _____

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CB-19 · Written response

Given two half-reactions: $H_2O_2 \rightarrow O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^-$ and $H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O$. Write the net equation. What kind of redox reaction is it?

Response: _____

CB-20 · Written response

Use these reductions from the Alberta Chemistry 30 Data Booklet, Standard Electrode Potentials: $Ag^+ + e^- \rightarrow Ag$, +0.80 V; $Cu^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Cu$, +0.34 V; $Zn^{2+} + 2e^- \rightarrow Zn$, -0.76 V. Use standard table conditions (25 °C, 1.0 mol/L solutions; pure solids). A student checks the reaction $Cu + Zn^{2+} \rightarrow Cu^{2+} + Zn$ with +0.34 - (-0.76). Give the correct E° for the reaction as written. Explain the student's mistake.

Response: _____