CHAPTER

TEKS/TAKS TEST PREPARATION FOR SCIENCE

Practice Test A TEKS

1

$C_6H_{12}O_6$ Glucose molecule

According to this chemical formula, all of the following elements are found in a glucose molecule EXCEPT

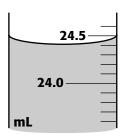
- A carbon.
- **B** nitrogen.
- **C** hydrogen.
- D oxygen.

2

$\label{eq:Ferric} \operatorname{Fe}_2\operatorname{O}_3$ Ferric oxide molecule

According to this chemical formula, how many atoms of oxygen are in a ferric oxide molecule?

- **F** 1
- **G** 2
- **H** 3
- **J** 4
- **3** A student collecting data in a laboratory investigation measured liquid using a graduated cylinder. What is the **volume** of water in this graduated cylinder?
 - **A** 24.3 mL
 - **B** 24.4 mL
 - **c** 24.5 mL
 - **D** 24.8 mL



- **4** A scientist carries out a reaction in a test tube. After the bubbling stops, she notices that the test tube is very warm. What might she conclude about the reaction?
 - **F** The reaction happened very quickly.
 - **G** The reaction is endothermic.
 - **H** The reaction is exothermic.
 - J No reaction took place.
- **5** According to the following chemical equation, how many reactants are needed to form water and carbon dioxide?

$$H_2CO_3 \rightarrow H_2O + CO_2$$

- **A** 1
- **C** 3
- **B** 2
- **D** 4
- **6** Look at the equations below. Which of the following statements is true?

 - $2 N_2 + O_2 + \text{energy} \rightarrow 2NO$
 - **F** Equation 1 is an endothermic reaction.
 - **G** Equation 2 is an endothermic reaction.
 - **H** Both equations 1 and 2 are exothermic reactions.
 - J It is not possible to determine the type of reaction.

CHAPTER

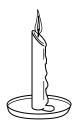
5

TEKS/TAKS TEST PREPARATION FOR SCIENCE

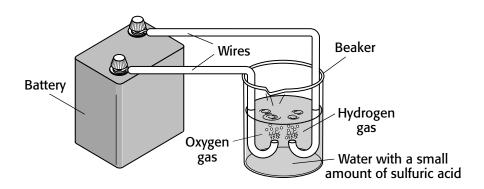
Practice Test B TEKS

2H₂SO₄ Sulfuric Acid

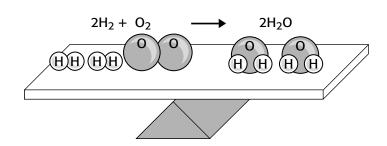
- 1 According to the chemical formula shown above, all of the following elements are found in the chemical compound sulfuric acid EXCEPT
 - A hydrogen.
 - **B** sulfur.
 - **C** carbon.
 - D oxygen.
- **2** What is the total number of hydrogen atoms found in the formula above?
 - **F** 2
 - **G** 4
 - **H** 6
 - **J** 8
- **3** The substances listed on the left side of a chemical equation are the
 - A coefficients.
 - **B** precipitates.
 - **C** products.
 - **D** reactants.
- **4** Which process causes substances to react to form one or more new substances?
 - **F** Chemical change
 - **G** Physical change
 - **H** Evaporation
 - **J** Freezing



- **5** Look at the drawing above. The melting candle wax that is dripping down the side of the candle is an example of a(n)
 - A inhibitor.
 - **B** enzyme.
 - **C** chemical reaction.
 - **D** physical change.
- **6** Look at the drawing above. The burning of the candle wick is an example of a(n)
 - **F** inhibitor.
 - **G** enzyme.
 - **H** chemical reaction.
 - J physical change.
- **7** Which of the following molecules is composed of only four atoms?
 - $A H_2O$
 - **B** NaCl
 - $\mathbf{C} SO_3$
 - **D** MgCl₂
- **8** A substance that is used to speed up a chemical reaction is called a(n)
 - **F** catalyst.
 - **G** reactant.
 - **H** inhibitor.
 - J precipitate.



- **9** The drawing above shows electricity being used to break water down into hydrogen and oxygen during an experiment. Which of the following indicates that a chemical reaction is taking place in this diagram?
 - **A** Gases are being formed.
 - **B** The reaction is giving off light.
 - **C** A solid substance is being formed.
 - **D** There is a color change.
- **10** Look at the drawing above. More hydrogen and oxygen would be produced if
 - **F** a larger beaker was used.
 - **G** shorter wires were used.
 - **H** a larger battery was used.
 - J a smaller battery was used.
- 11 Which of the following is an example of a chemical change?
 - **A** Water freezing into ice
 - **B** Ice melting into water
 - **C** Butter softening into a liquid
 - **D** Meat spoiling and changing color
- **12** The rate of a chemical reaction can be increased by all of following EXCEPT
 - **F** increasing temperature of the reactants.
 - **G** decreasing concentration of the reactants.
 - **H** increasing surface area of the reactants.
 - J increasing concentration of the reactants.



- **13** The drawing above shows the atoms before and after a chemical reaction. This drawing also illustrates the
 - **A** law of conservation of energy.
 - **B** law of inertia.
 - **C** law of conservation of mass.
 - **D** law of chemical reactions.
- **14** Look at the drawing above. The number of atoms on the left side of the arrow must
 - **F** be larger than the number of atoms on the right side of the arrow.
 - **G** be smaller than the number of atoms on the right side of the arrow.
 - **H** be equal to the number of atoms on the right side of the arrow.
 - J be used up in the reaction and not appear on the right side of the equation.
- **15** A solid that forms in a solution during a chemical reaction is called a(n)
 - A element.
 - **B** precipitate.
 - C mixture.
 - **D** bond.
- **16** A preservative is added to food to slow the rate of decay. The preservative is an example of a(n)
 - F inhibitor.
 - **G** enzyme.
 - **H** fuel.
 - J catalyst.

$$H_2O_2 \rightarrow H_2O + O_2$$

17 Which of these is the balanced form of the above chemical equation?

 $A H_2O_2 \rightarrow H_2O + O_2$

 $\mathbf{B} \ 2H_2O_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O + O_2$

 $C 3H_2O_2 \rightarrow 3H_2O + O_2$

 $D 2H_2O_2 \rightarrow H_2O + 2O_2$

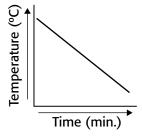
18 Look at the equation above. The substances on the right side of the arrow are called the

F subscripts.

G catalysts.

H reactants.

J products.



19 The graph above shows the change in temperature over time in a chemical reaction. According to the graph, this chemical reaction is

A endothermic.

B exothermic.

C unbalanced.

D combustion.

20 During a laboratory experiment, John applied the law of conservation of energy. Which of the following did he assume to be true?

F Energy is not changed.

G Energy is not created or destroyed.

H The total energy of the reactants is greater than the total energy of the products.

J The total energy of the reactants is less than the total mass of the products.

Answers		TEKS Correlation	TAKS Objectives	
1	В	8.9C	4	
2	Н	8.9C	4	
3	В	8.4A	1	
4	Н	8.10C	5	
5	A	8.9C	4	
6	G	8.10C	5	



The following TAKS questions have been diagnosed by the TAKS Doctor. Find out what might be causing your "ailing" answers. The TAKS Doctor will see you now!

Item 3 asks students to determine a volume of water using a graduated cylinder.

- **A Incorrect.** This is not a careful reading.
- **B** Correct. Water volume is measured at the bottom of the meniscus.
- **C** Incorrect. Water volume is not measured at the top of the meniscus.
- **D** Incorrect. The tick marks are for every 0.1 mL and not for every 0.2 mL.

Item 4 asks students to draw conclusions about a chemical reaction that bubbles and gives off energy.

- **F Incorrect.** There is no information given about the rate of this reaction.
- **G Incorrect.** The overall reaction gives off energy, so it is not likely to be an endothermic reaction.
- **H Correct.** The overall reaction gives off energy, so it is most likely an exothermic reaction.
- **Incorrect.** There were two clues that indicated a chemical reaction—gas formation and an energy change.

Item 6 asks students to classify the reactions as endothermic or exothermic.

- **F** Incorrect. Equation 1 is not an endothermic reaction, because energy is a product.
- **G Correct.** Equation 2 is an endothermic reaction, because energy is a reactant.
- **H Incorrect.** Energy is a reactant in equation 2.
- **J Incorrect.** It is possible to determine what type of reaction these two equations represent, because energy is given as either a product or a reactant in each equation.

Answer Key and TAKS Doctor for Practice Test B

An	swers	TEKS Correlation	TAKS Objectives	Answers	TEKS Correlation	TAKS Objectives
1	C	8.9C	4	11 D	8.9A	4
2	G	8.9C	4	12 G	8.9A	4
3	D	8.9C	4	13 C	8.9C	4
4	F	8.9A	4	14 H	8.9C	4
5	D	8.9A	4	15 B	8.9A	4
6	Н	8.9A	4	16 F	8.9A	4
7	C	8.9C	4	17 B	8.9C	4
8	F	8.9A	4	18 J	8.9C	4
9	A	8.9A	4	19 A	8.10C	5
10	Н	8.2A	1	20 G	8.2C	1



Copyright © by Holt, Rinehart and Winston. All rights reserved.

The following TAKS questions have been diagnosed by the TAKS Doctor. Find out what might be causing your "ailing" answers. The TAKS Doctor will see you now!

Item 4 asks students to determine what process causes one or more substances to react to form one or more new substances.

- **F** Correct. When a chemical change occurs one or more substances react to form one or more new substances.
- **G** Incorrect. Substances do not change their identities when they undergo physical changes.
- **H Incorrect.** Substances do not change their identities during evaporation. Substances change states during evaporation.
- **Incorrect.** Substances do not change their identities during freezing. Substances change states during freezing.

Item 8 asks students to determine the name of the substance that is used to speed up a chemical reaction.

- **F** Correct. A catalyst can be used to speed up a chemical reaction.
- **G Incorrect.** A reactant is needed in order for a reaction to occur; a reactant does not speed up a chemical reaction, but the amount of a reactant can affect the rate of the reaction.
- **H Incorrect.** An inhibitor does not speed up a reaction; an inhibitor slows down a reaction.
- **Incorrect.** A precipitate is a solid product that is formed from a solution during a chemical reaction.

Item 9 asks students to decide what indicates that a chemical reaction is taking place.

- **A Correct.** The formation of gas is a clue that a chemical reaction is taking place. In the diagram, bubbles of oxygen and hydrogen are rising through the water solution.
- **B Incorrect.** Although the formation of light is a clue that a chemical reaction is taking place, the diagram does not indicate that light is given off.
- **C Incorrect.** Although the formation of a solid is a clue that a chemical reaction is taking place, gas is formed in this reaction, not a solid.
- **D Incorrect.** Although a color change is a clue that a chemical reaction is taking place, no color change is indicated in the diagram.

Item 11 asks students to determine which of the following is an example of a chemical change.

- **A Incorrect.** When a chemical change occurs, one or more substances react to form one or more new substances. Water freezing into ice is an example of a change of state and an example of a physical change.
- **B** Incorrect. Ice melting into water is an example of a change of state and an example of a physical change.
- **C Incorrect.** Butter softening into a liquid is an example of a change of state and an example of a physical change.
- **D** Correct. The mention of spoilage and change of color in this example indicates that a chemical change occurred.

Item 15 asks students to determine what a solid that forms from a solution during a chemical reaction is called.

- **A Incorrect.** A solid that forms from a solution during a chemical reaction can be an element, but the solid does not have to be an element. Therefore, this statement is not the best answer.
- **B** Correct. A solid that forms from a solution during a chemical reaction is called a precipitate.
- **C Incorrect.** A solid that forms from a solution during a chemical reaction can be a mixture, but the solid does not have to be a mixture. Therefore, this statement is not the best answer.
- **D Incorrect.** A bond holds atoms together; therefore, a solid that forms from a solution during a chemical reaction cannot be called a bond.

Item 16 asks students to describe a preservative.

- **F Correct.** The preservative slows the rate of a reaction or the rate of decay. An inhibitor is something that slows the rate of a reaction; therefore, the preservative acts as an inhibitor.
- **G Incorrect.** An enzyme acts as a catalyst in an organism or an enzyme speeds up a reaction in an organism. Therefore, the preservative cannot be an enzyme.
- **H Incorrect.** Fuel is a reactant and does not change the rate of a reaction.
- **Incorrect.** A catalyst speeds up a reaction, so the preservative cannot be a catalyst.

- **Item 17** asks students to choose the chemical equation that is properly balanced.
- **A Incorrect.** This equation has two oxygen atoms on the left side of the chemical equation and three oxygen atoms on the right side of the chemical equation.
- **B** Correct. This equation has 4 hydrogen atoms and 4 oxygen atoms on both sides of the chemical equation.
- **C** Incorrect. This equation has 6 oxygen atoms on the left side of the chemical equation and 5 oxygen atoms on the right side of the chemical equation.
- **D** Incorrect. This equation has 4 hydrogen and 4 oxygen atoms on the left side of the chemical equation and 2 hydrogen and 5 oxygen atoms on the right side of the chemical equation.

Item 19 asks students to interpret data from a graph.

- **A Correct.** In an endothermic reaction, energy is absorbed by the reaction, causing a drop in temperature.
- **B** Incorrect. In an exothermic reaction, energy is released by the reaction, causing a rise in temperature.
- **C** Incorrect. No equation is given for this chemical reaction, so it is not possible to tell whether the equation is unbalanced.
- **D** Incorrect. Combustion would involve the release of energy, causing a rise in temperature.

Item 20 asks students to tell what the law of conservation of energy means.

- **F** Incorrect. Energy cannot be created or destroyed; however, it can be converted from one form of energy to another.
- **G Correct.** The law of conservation of energy states that energy cannot be created or destroyed.
- **H Incorrect.** This statement is the definition of an exothermic reaction.
- **J Incorrect.** This statement is the definition of an endothermic reaction.