

## Activity 12 - Balancing Chemical Equations

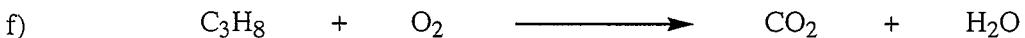
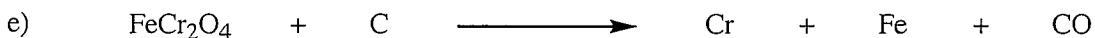
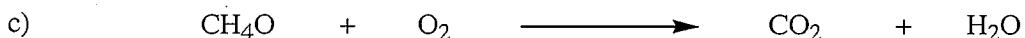
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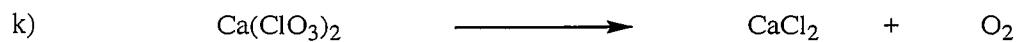
### Tips for Writing Chemical Equations:

- Make certain all formulas are correct.
- Once all formulas are written correctly one may not change the subscripts, only the coefficients in order to balance the equation. Always choose the lowest whole number coefficients.
- The symbols (s), (l), and (g) indicate the phase of each reactant or product: solid, liquid and gas, respectively.
- Some elements exist in nature as diatomic molecules. The element names correspond to the diatomic formula because this is the elemental structure. These elements include hydrogen, oxygen, fluorine, bromine, iodine, nitrogen, and chlorine. The correct formula for the elemental name is diatomic not atomic. A mnemonic device that may help you remember these elements is the name  $H_2O_2F_2Br_2I_2N_2Cl_2$ , "Hofbrincl".  $H_2$   $O_2$   $F_2$   $Br_2$   $I_2$   $N_2$   $Cl_2$

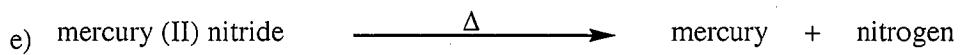
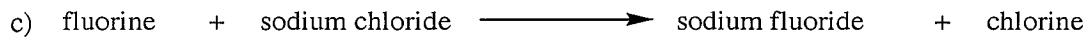
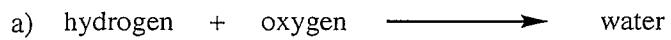
### Questions and Problems

- Balance the following chemical equations:





2. Write a chemical equation for the following reactions:



f) The combustion of propane ( $C_3H_8$ )

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H 4  
O 2 4

C 1  
H 2 4  
O 3 4

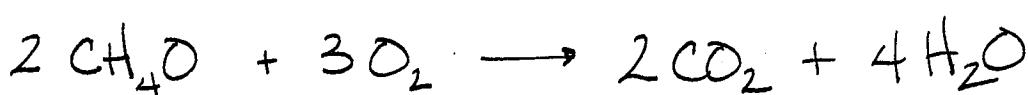


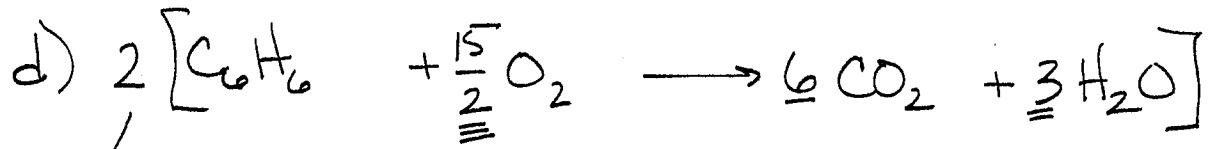
Na x 2	Na 2
H x 2	H 2
C x 2	C 2
O 3 6	O 6



C 1  
H 4  
O 3 4

C 1  
H 2 4  
O 3 4





C 6  
H 16  
O 2 x 15

C x 6  
H x 2 x 6  
O 3 x 15



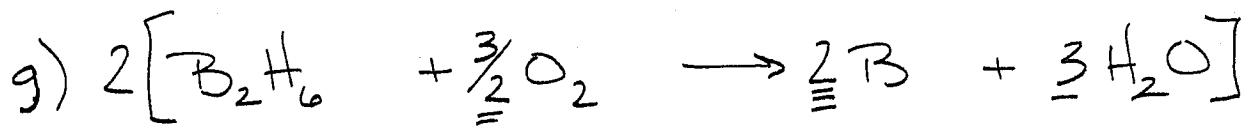
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Cr 2  
O 4  
C x 4

Fe 1  
Cr x 2  
O x 4  
C x 4



C 3  
H 8  
O 2 x 10

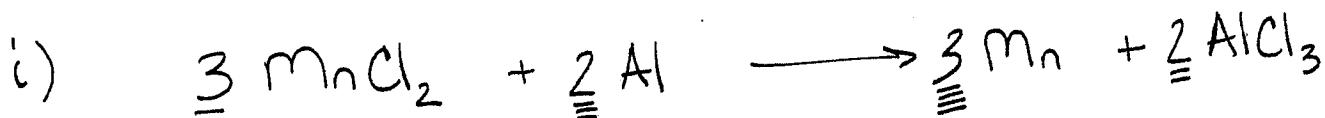
C x 3  
H x 8  
O 3 x 10



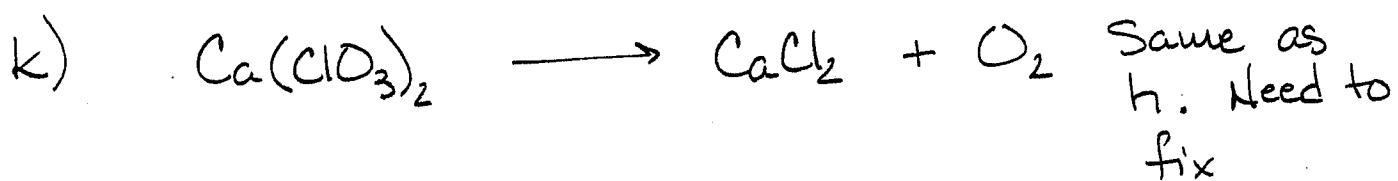
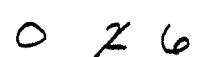
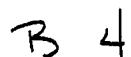
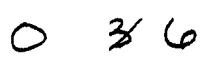
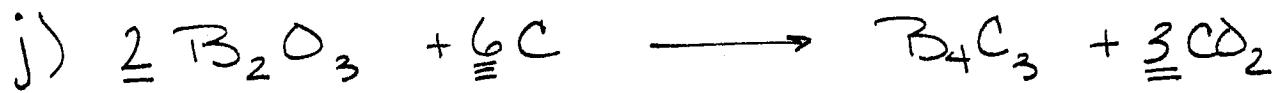
$$\begin{array}{l} \text{B } 2 \\ \text{H } 6 \\ \text{O } 2 \times 3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} B \times 2 \\ H \times 6 \\ O \times 3 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{l} Ca \ 1 \\ Cl \ 2 \\ O \ 6 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} Ca \ 1 \\ Cl \ 2 \\ O \ 2 \times 6 \end{array}$$

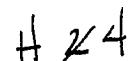
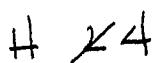
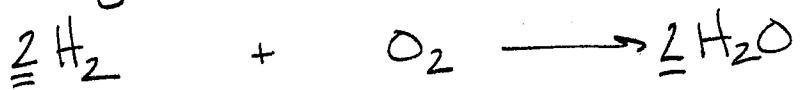


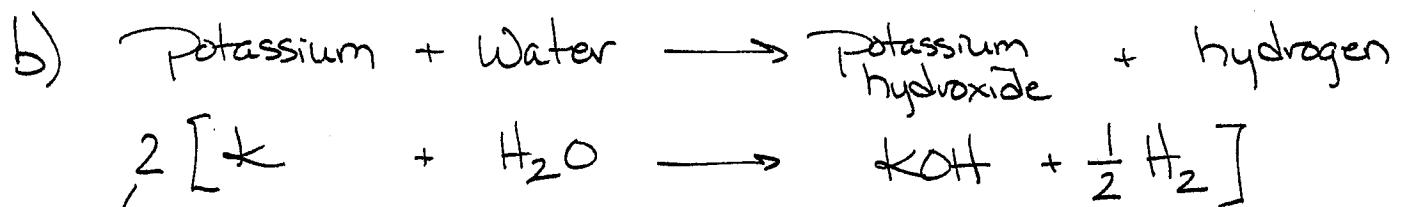
$$\begin{array}{l} Mn \times 3 \\ Cl \times 6 \\ Al \times 2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} Mn \times 3 \\ Cl \times 6 \\ Al \times 2 \end{array}$$



2. Write a chemical equation for the following reactions:

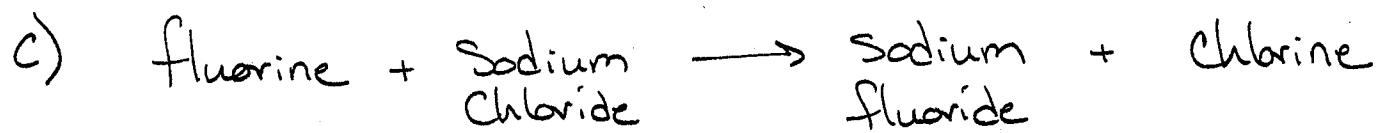
\* Remember here that some of the elements are diatomic HOFBrINCl





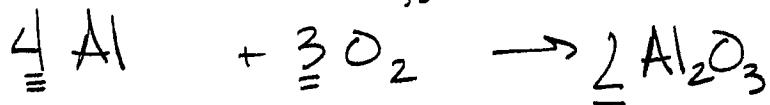
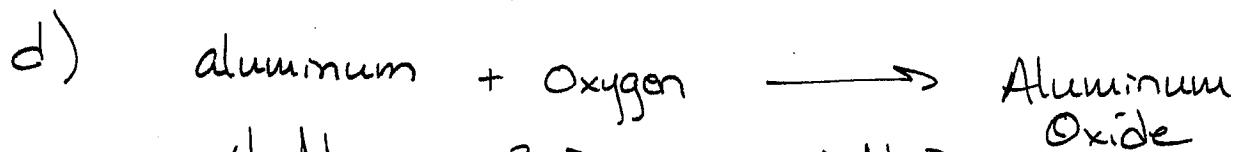
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O 1

K 1  
H 3 2  
O 1



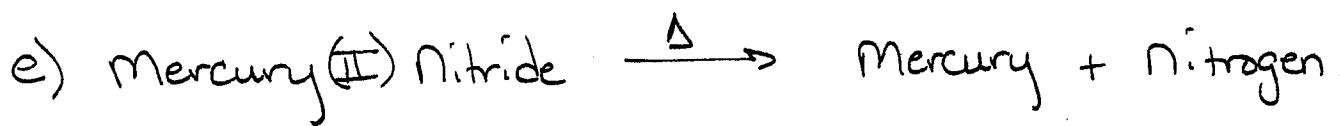
F 2  
Na x 2  
Cl x 2

F x 2  
Na x 2  
Cl 2



Al x 4  
O x 6

Al x 4  
O 3 6



f) The combustion of propane ( $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ )

