

# HL ACIDS TEST Mark Scheme

1. In which of the following is the species in bold acting as a Brønsted-Lowry base?
- A.  $\text{NH}_3(\text{aq}) + \text{CH}_3\text{COOH}(\text{aq}) \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_4^+(\text{aq}) + \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-(\text{aq})$   
**B.  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2(\text{aq}) + \text{HCl}(\text{aq}) \rightleftharpoons \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3^+(\text{aq}) + \text{Cl}^-(\text{aq})$**   
 C.  $\text{HCO}_3^-(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightleftharpoons \text{CO}_3^{2-}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+(\text{aq})$   
 D.  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}(\text{aq}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightleftharpoons \text{HSO}_4^-(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$
2. A  $0.100 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of a weak acid, **HA**, has pH of 5.0. What is the  $[\text{OH}^-]$  of this solution in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ?
- A. 9.0                      B.  $1.0 \times 10^{-3}$                       **C.  $1.0 \times 10^{-9}$**                       D.  $1.0 \times 10^{-5}$
3. Which of the following is a correct word equation for the formation of sodium sulfate?
- A. sodium hydroxide + sulfuric acid  $\rightarrow$  sodium sulfate + hydrogen  
 B. sodium carbonate + hydrogen sulfide  $\rightarrow$  sodium sulfate + carbon dioxide + water  
**C. sodium hydrogencarbonate + sulfuric acid  $\rightarrow$  sodium sulfate + carbon dioxide + water**  
 D. potassium sulfate + sodium hydroxide  $\rightarrow$  sodium sulfate + water
4. The pH of pure water at its boiling point is 6.14. From this it can be deduced that
- A. water is acidic at its boiling point  
**B. the value of  $\text{pK}_w$  for water at its boiling point is 12.28**  
 C. water dissociates more at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  than at  $100^\circ\text{C}$   
 D. At its boiling point pOH of water is 7.86
5. Which of the following is **not** amphiprotic?
- A.  $\text{HCO}_3^-$                       **B.  $\text{NO}_3^-$**                       C.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$                       D.  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$
6. Which solution(s) has/have a pH greater than 7?
- I  $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3(\text{aq})$                       II  $\text{FeCl}_3(\text{aq})$                       III  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$                       IV  $\text{NaCl}(\text{aq})$
- A. IV only                      **B. III only**                      C. I and II only                      D. I only
7. The pH value of a  $1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  solution of sodium hydroxide is
- A 3                      B 8                      **C 11**                      D 14
8. HA, HB, HC and HD are weak acids. HA has  $K_a=2.0 \times 10^{-5}$ , HB has  $\text{p}K_a=5.0$ , HC has  $K_a=3.0 \times 10^{-3}$  and HD has  $\text{p}K_a=6.0$ . When the acids are arranged in order of increasing strength (weakest first) the order is
- A HD, HB, HC, HA                      B HC, HB, HD, HA  
**C HD, HB, HA, HC**                      D HC, HA, HB, HD
9. The pH values for some solutions are show in the table:
- | Solution | pH  |
|----------|-----|
| Q        | 2.3 |
| X        | 4.3 |
| Y        | 8.3 |
| Z        | 8.6 |
- Which of the following statements is correct?
- A the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution Z is twice the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution X  
 B the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution X is 100 times the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution Q  
**C the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution Q is  $10^6$  times the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution Y**  
 D the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution X is 40 times the  $[\text{H}^+(\text{aq})]$  in solution Y

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10. When the following aqueous solutions are arranged in order of **increasing** electrical conductivity (lowest first), what is the correct order?

- I 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub>
- II 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NH<sub>3</sub>
- III 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH

- A I, II, III      B III, II, I      C I, III, II      **D II, III, I**

11. HOBr(aq), is a weak acid with pK<sub>a</sub>=8.70

(a) Derive an equation for the dissociation of HOBr in aqueous solution [1]



(b) Determine the pH of a 0.0400 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of HOBr(aq). State any assumption you have made in your calculation. [4]

K<sub>a</sub> = 2.00x10<sup>-9</sup> ;

2.00x10<sup>-9</sup> = [H<sup>+</sup>]<sup>2</sup>/0.0400

[H<sup>+</sup>] = 8.93x10<sup>-6</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ;

pH = 5.05 ;      *correct pH scores 3*

assume dissociation of acid is negligible compared to its conc [1]

(c) (i) State the pK<sub>b</sub> value for OBr<sup>-</sup> at 25°C... 5.30 [1]

(ii) Determine the pH of a 0.0200 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of NaOBr(aq) [4]

K<sub>b</sub> = 5.01x10<sup>-6</sup> ;

5.01x10<sup>-6</sup> = [OH<sup>-</sup>]<sup>2</sup>/0.0200 ;

[OH<sup>-</sup>] = 3.17x10<sup>-4</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup> ;

pOH = 3.50

pH = 10.50 ;      *Correct pH scores 4*

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- (d) 0.0400 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH(aq) is gradually added to 25.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.0400 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HOBr(aq). After each addition the pH was measured.
- (i) Sketch a titration curve showing the variation in pH for addition of up to 50.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of NaOH(aq). Mark on your sketch, the initial pH, the pH at the equivalence point and the approximate pH after the addition of 50.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of NaOH(aq). [4]

Correct shape of curve and axes labelled ;

Initial pH = 5.05 (or answer from part b) ;

pH at equivalence point 10.50 (or answer from part c) ;

Final pH 12.6 ;

If no answers to parts b and c **max 3** for first and last marks and sensible values for the other 2 marks.

- (ii) Deduce the pH of the solution formed when 12.50 cm<sup>3</sup> of NaOH(aq) had been added to 25.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of HOBr(aq). [1]
- 8.70

- (e) This titration can also be followed by using an acid-base indicator. Explain, using an equation how an acid base indicator works. [3]



Ionized and unionized forms different colours;

Explanation of which colours appear as acid/alkali added...e.g. when acid added, the position of equilibrium shifts to the left and colour X is seen (this must be consistent with the equation labelling) ;

- (e) A buffer solution can be formed when NaOH(aq) is added to HOBr(aq).

- (i) Explain what is meant by the term *buffer solution*. [1]

Solution which resists change in pH when small amounts of acid/alkali added

- (ii) Explain why adding 25.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.100 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> NaOH(aq) to 40.00 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.0500 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HOBr(aq) will **not** produce a buffer solution. [3]

Buffer must contain weak acid and its salt/conjugate base;

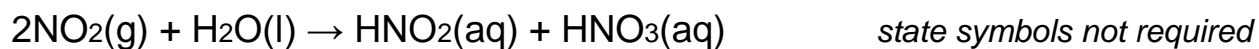
More moles of NaOH than HOBr;

Therefore no HOBr present OWTTE;

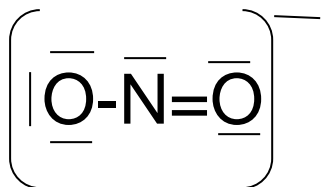
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12. One of the gases responsible for acid deposition is NO<sub>2</sub>.

(a) Write an equation for the reaction of NO<sub>2</sub> with water. [1]



(b) One of the acids in acid deposition is HNO<sub>2</sub>. This dissociates to form the nitrate(III) ion, NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>. Draw a Lewis structure for NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>. [1]



(c) Explain whether NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> can act as a Lewis acid or a Lewis base. [2]

Lewis Base;

Has a lone pair of electrons (that can be donated);