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# What's Your Reaction? Types of Reactions

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# **Purpose**

To find patterns in the types of chemical equations and to classify a reaction by type.

#### **Materials**

• Toxic Reactions cards

### Part I: Sorting Chemical Equations

Use the Toxic Reactions cards from Lesson 1: Toxic Reactions. Sort the cards according to the directions for Questions 1 through 4, then answer the questions.

- **I.** Find all the cards that have only one product formed in the reaction. List the letters on the cards.
  - **a.** Describe how the atoms rearrange in these reactions.
  - **b.** Why do you think these reactions are called *combination reactions*?
- **2.** Find all the cards that have a reactant that is an elemental metal. List the letters on the cards.
  - **a.** Describe how the atoms rearrange in these reactions.
  - **b.** Why do you think these reactions are called *single exchange reactions*?
- **3.** Consider all the cards that have a reactant that is an ionic compound. List the letters on the cards.
  - **a.** Describe how the atoms rearrange in these reactions.
  - **b.** Why do you think these reactions are called *double exchange reactions*?

- **4.** Examine all the remaining cards.
  - **a.** Verify that these reactions involve reactants that are molecules. List the letters on the cards.
  - **b.** Describe how the atoms rearrange in these reactions.
  - **c.** Classify these reactions to the best of your ability.
- **5.**  $2H_2O_2(l) \longrightarrow 2H_2O(l) + O_2(g)$ Why do you think this reaction is called a *decomposition reaction*?

## Part 2: Classifying Reactions

- 1. Classify each reaction as combination, decomposition, single exchange, or double exchange.
  - **a.** Fill in any missing reactants or products.
  - **b.** Balance the equation if necessary.

Reaction	Туре
$N_2(g) + H_2(g) \longrightarrow 2NH_3(g)$	
$C_2H_4(g) + H_2(g) \longrightarrow$	
$CaCO_3(s) \longrightarrow CaO(s) + CO_2(g)$	
$Cl_2(g) + CaI_2(s) \longrightarrow I_2(s) +$	
$NaOH(aq) + HCl(aq) \longrightarrow H_2O(l) +$	
$2KClO_3(s) \longrightarrow 2KCl(s) + 3O_2(g)$	
$Mg(s) + 2HCl(aq) \longrightarrow H_2(g) +$	
$AgNO_3(aq) + KCl(aq) \longrightarrow AgCl(s) +$	

- **2.** List six *molecules* in the reactions in the table.
- **3.** List six *ionic compounds* in the reactions in the table.
- **4. Making Sense** You can remove the toxin carbon monoxide, CO(g), from the air through a reaction with oxygen,  $O_2$ , to produce carbon dioxide,  $CO_2(g)$ . Write a balanced chemical equation for this combination reaction.