Chemistry

Chapter 6 Vocabulary - Define each of the following on a separate sheet of paper. All definitions must be hand written.

- 1. acid a compound containing hydrogen that ionizes to yield hydrogen ions (H+) in water
- 2. activity series a table listing metals in order of decreasing activity
- aqueous solution a solution where the solvent is water; an aqueous solution is represented by aq in chemical reactions
- 4. balanced equation a chemical equation where mass is conserved; there are equal amounts of atoms of each element on each side of the equation
- 5. base a compound that ionizes to yield hydroxide ions

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- 6. catalyst a substance that speeds up a chemical reaction
- 7. chemical equation an expression representing a chemical reaction
- 8. coefficient the number written in front of a formula in a balanced chemical equation
- 9. combination reaction a chemical reaction in which two or more reactants combine to form a single product; also called a synthesis reaction
- 10. combustion reaction a chemical change in which oxygen reacts with another substance usually producing heat and light energy; $CH_4 + 2O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2H_2O + heat$
- 11. complete ionic equation an equation for a chemical reaction in solution where all strong electrolytes are shown as ions
- 12. decomposition reaction a chemical change in which a substance is broken down into two or more simpler substances
- 13. decomposition of a carbonate a chemical reaction where a metal oxide and carbon dioxide are produced
- 14. decomposition of a chlorate a chemical reaction where a metal chloride and oxygen gas are produced
- 15. decomposition of a hydrate a chemical reaction where water is released and an anhydrous salt remains
- 16. diatomic elements a group of seven elements (H,N,O,F,Cl,Br,I) which are commonly found as molecules consisting of two atoms of the element
- 17. double displacement reaction a chemical reaction where the cations of two different compounds switch
- 18. insoluble a substance that does not dissolve appreciable in a particular solvent
- 19. law of conservation of mass matter is neither created nor destroyed
- 20. net ionic equation a chemical equation where only the ions undergoing a chemical change are shown
- 21. oxidation the loss of electrons by an atom, ion or molecule that results in an increase in oxidation number
- 22. oxidizing agent a substance that accepts electrons and is reduced in a redox reaction
- 23. precipitate solid particles produced in a liquid by a chemical reaction
- 24. product a substance formed in a chemical reaction
- 25. reactant the starting substance in a chemical reaction
- 26. redox reaction a reaction where one or more electrons are transferred from one substance to another so that oxidation numbers change

- 27. reducing agent the atom, ion or molecule that donates electrons and is oxidized in a redox reaction
- 28. reduction the gain of electrons by an atom, ion or molecule that results in a decrease in oxidation number
- 29. single replacement reaction a chemical change where a single element replaces an element that is in a compound
- 30. skeleton equation a chemical equation that does not indicate the relative amounts of reactants and products
- 31. soluble a substance that can be dissolved in a particular solvent
- 32. spectator ion an ion that does not change composition or oxidation number during a chemical reaction
- 33. subscript in chemistry, a number written below the line in a chemical formula and referring to the amount of that particular atom there are in the molecule