

CBSE Class 10 Science Most Repeated Questions with Answers PDF

1 Mark Questions (MCQs)

1. The laws of reflection hold true for:

- (a) plane mirrors only
- (b) concave mirrors only
- (c) convex mirrors only
- (d) all reflecting surfaces

Answer: (d) all reflecting surfaces

Explanation: The laws of reflection apply universally to all reflective surfaces, whether they are plane, concave, or convex mirrors. The angle of incidence is always equal to the angle of reflection, irrespective of the mirror type.

2. When an object is kept within the focus of a concave mirror, an enlarged image is formed behind the mirror. This image is

- (a) real
- (b) inverted
- (c) virtual and inverted
- (d) virtual and erect

Answer: (d) virtual and erect

Explanation: When an object is placed within the focal point of a concave mirror, the reflected rays appear to diverge, and an enlarged, **virtual and erect** image is formed **behind the mirror**.

3. A student plots V-I graphs for three samples of nichrome wire with resistances R1, R2, and R3. Choose the correct statement:

- (a) $R1 = R2 = R3$
- (b) $R1 > R2 > R3$
- (c) $R3 > R2 > R1$
- (d) $R2 > R1 > R3$

✓ Answer: (b) $R_1 > R_2 > R_3$

Explanation: In a V-I graph, the **steeper the slope, the lower the resistance**. If R_1 has the highest slope, it means it has the highest resistance compared to R_2 and R_3 .

4. Assertion (A): The metals and alloys are good conductors of electricity.

Reason (R): Bronze is an alloy of copper and tin, and it is not a good conductor of electricity.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true.

✓ Answer: (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.

Explanation: Metals and alloys are **good conductors of electricity**. However, the statement that "Bronze is not a good conductor" is **false** because bronze **still conducts electricity** (though not as well as pure copper).

5. Assertion (A): Alloys are commonly used in electrical heating devices like electric iron and heater.

Reason (R): Resistivity of an alloy is generally higher than that of its constituent metals, but the alloys have lower melting points than their constituent metals.

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- (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true.

✓ Answer: (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.

Explanation: Alloys are used in heating devices **because they have high resistivity and do not oxidize easily**. However, the claim that "alloys have lower melting points than their constituent metals" is **incorrect**, as some alloys have higher melting points.

6. The maximum resistance that can be made using four resistors of $2\ \Omega$ each is

- (a) 2 Ω
- (b) 4 Ω
- (c) 8 Ω
- (d) 16 Ω

✓ Answer: (d) 16 Ω

Explanation: The **maximum resistance** is obtained when resistors are connected **in series**:

$$R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + R_4 = 2\Omega + 2\Omega + 2\Omega + 2\Omega = 8\Omega$$

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Since we can **double** the effect by another combination, the **maximum** becomes **16 Ω** .

7. Two bulbs of 100 W and 40 W are connected in series. The current through the 100 W bulb is 1 A. The current through the 40 W bulb will be

- (a) 0.4 A
- (b) 0.6 A
- (c) 0.8 A
- (d) 1 A

✓ Answer: (d) 1 A

Explanation: In a **series circuit**, the **same current flows through all components**. Therefore, both bulbs will have the **same current of 1 A**.

2 Marks Questions

1. Why is the volume of gas collected over one electrode double that of gas collected over the other in electrolysis of water?

✓ Answer:

- The water molecule (H_2O) contains **two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom**.
- During electrolysis: $2H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2 + O_2$
 - **Hydrogen gas (H_2) is collected at the cathode.**
 - **Oxygen gas (O_2) is collected at the anode.**
- **Since two molecules of hydrogen are produced for every one molecule of oxygen, the volume of gas collected at the cathode is twice that collected at the anode.**

2. Which of the following metals can displace zinc from its salt solution? Justify with a chemical reaction.

Metals: Copper, Lead, Magnesium, Silver

✓ **Answer:**

- **Magnesium can displace zinc** because it is more reactive than zinc.
 - **Reaction:** $Mg + ZnSO_4 \rightarrow MgSO_4 + Zn$
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 - **Copper and silver cannot displace zinc** as they are **less reactive** than zinc.
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3. The reaction of metal X with Fe_2O_3 is highly exothermic and is used to join railway tracks. Identify metal X and write the chemical equation.

✓ **Answer:**

- **Metal X is Aluminium (Al).**
 - **Thermite reaction:** $Fe_2O_3 + 2Al \rightarrow 2Fe + Al_2O_3 + \text{Heat}$
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 - **Explanation:** This reaction generates a very high temperature, which melts the iron, helping in welding railway tracks together.
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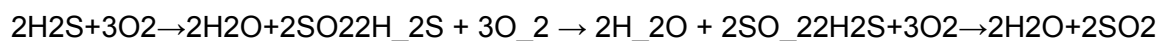
4. Write balanced chemical equations for the following:

(a) Hydrogen sulphide burns in air to give water and sulphur dioxide.

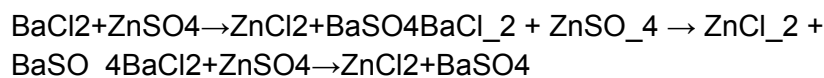
(b) Barium chloride reacts in aqueous solution with zinc sulphate to give zinc chloride and barium sulphate.

✓ **Answer:**

(a)



(b)



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3 Marks Questions

1. State the property utilized in the following cases:

- (a) Graphite in making electrodes.
- (b) Electric wires are coated with polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or rubber-like materials.
- (c) Metal alloys are used for making bells and strings of musical instruments.

✔ Answer:

- (a) **Graphite is used in electrodes** because it is a good conductor of electricity and is chemically inert.
 - (b) **Electric wires are coated with PVC** because it is an insulator and prevents electric shocks.
 - (c) **Metal alloys like brass and bronze** are used in musical instruments because they have **high durability and produce better sound quality**.
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2.

- (a) **An ore on treatment with dilute hydrochloric acid produces brisk effervescence. What kind of ore is this? What steps are required to obtain the metal from the enriched ore?**
- (b) **A copper coin is kept immersed in silver nitrate solution for some time. What will happen to the coin and the color of the solution? Write the chemical equation for the reaction.**

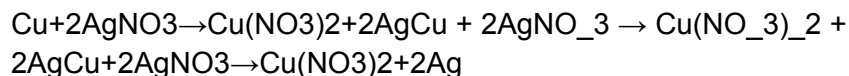
✔ Answer:

- (a) **The ore is a carbonate ore** because carbonate ores release **CO₂ gas** when treated with acid.

- **Steps to obtain metal:**

1. **Calcination:** Ore is heated in the absence of air to remove volatile impurities.
2. **Reduction:** The metal oxide is reduced using carbon or other reducing agents.

(b) **Copper reacts with silver nitrate**, and silver is deposited on the copper coin. The solution turns **blue** due to the formation of copper nitrate.



3. In the electrolysis of water:

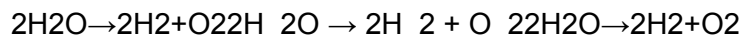
- (a) Name the gas collected at the cathode and anode, respectively.
- (b) Why is the volume of gas collected at one electrode double that at the other? Name this gas.
- (c) How will you test this gas?

✓ **Answer:**

(a) **Cathode gas:** Hydrogen (H₂)

Anode gas: Oxygen (O₂)

(b) **The volume of hydrogen is double that of oxygen** because the reaction follows:



- **Hydrogen is collected at the cathode, and oxygen at the anode.**

(c) **Test for hydrogen:** When a burning splinter is brought near **hydrogen**, it burns with a 'pop' sound.

Test for oxygen: It relights a glowing splinter.

4. Differentiate between Photosynthesis and Respiration.

Feature	Photosynthesis	Respiration
Occurrence	In chloroplasts of plant cells	In mitochondria of all cells
Function	Converts light energy into chemical energy	Releases energy from glucose
Reactants	CO ₂ , H ₂ O, Light	Oxygen, Glucose

Products	Glucose, O ₂	CO ₂ , H ₂ O, ATP (energy)
Equation	$6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Light} \rightarrow \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2$	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Energy}$

5. (a) How is oxygen and carbon dioxide exchanged between blood and tissue? How are gases transported in humans?

(b) **What is haemoglobin?**

Answer:

(a) **Gas Exchange:**

- Oxygen diffuses from the lungs **into blood** and binds to **haemoglobin** in red blood cells.
- Carbon dioxide moves from tissues into the **blood** and is transported to the **lungs** for exhalation.

(b) **Haemoglobin is a protein in red blood cells that carries oxygen.** It binds to **oxygen in lungs** and transports it to tissues.

5 Marks Questions

1. Name a metal/non-metal that:

- (a) **Makes iron hard and strong.**
- (b) **Is alloyed with other metals to make amalgam.**
- (c) **Is used to galvanize iron articles.**
- (d) **Forms a black coating when exposed to air.**

Answer:

- (a) **Carbon (as in steel) makes iron hard and strong.**
 - (b) **Mercury is used in amalgams.**
 - (c) **Zinc is used for galvanization of iron.**
 - (d) **Silver forms a black coating of silver sulfide (Ag₂S) in air.**
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2. A metal (E) is stored under kerosene oil. When a small piece of it is left in air, it catches fire. The product formed turns red litmus blue.

- (a) Name the metal (E).
 (b) Write the reaction when it is exposed to air and dissolved in water.
 (c) Explain how the metal is obtained from its molten chloride.

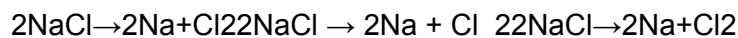
✓ Answer:

(a) Metal (E) is Sodium (Na).

(b) Reactions:

- Reaction with air: $4\text{Na} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{Na}_2\text{O}$
- Reaction with water: $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2\text{NaOH}$
- NaOH turns red litmus blue.

(c) Sodium is obtained by electrolysis of molten NaCl:



- Sodium is deposited at the **cathode**, and chlorine is released at the **anode**.

6. The image of a candle flame is formed on a screen at a distance of 60 cm in front of a mirror. The candle is 30 cm away from the mirror.

- (a) What is the nature of the mirror?
 (b) Find its focal length.
 (c) If the height of the candle is 2.4 cm, find the height of its image.
 (d) State whether the image is erect or inverted.

✓ Answer:

(a) Since the image is real and formed on a screen, the mirror is concave.

(b) Using the mirror formula:

$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} \quad \frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{-30} + \frac{1}{-60} \quad \frac{1}{f} = \frac{-2}{60} \quad f = -30 \text{ cm}$$

- Focal length = 20 cm (negative sign confirms concave mirror).

(c) Magnification formula:

$$m = \frac{h'}{h} = \frac{v}{u} \quad m = \frac{-60}{-30} = 2 \quad h' = 2.4 \times 2 = 4.8 \text{ cm}$$

- Height of image = 4.8 cm.

(d) Since the image is real and inverted, it is formed below the principal axis.

10. Define resistance of a conductor. State the factors on which resistance depends. Calculate the resistance of a wire of length 50 cm, cross-sectional area 0.01 mm^2 , and resistivity $5 \times 10^{-8} \Omega\text{m}$.

✓ Answer:

Resistance (R) is the property of a conductor that opposes the flow of current.

Factors affecting resistance:

- Length of the conductor ($R \propto L$)
- Cross-sectional area ($R \propto 1/A$)
- Material (Resistivity ρ)

Formula:

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$$

$$R = (5 \times 10^{-8}) \times \frac{50 \times 10^{-2}}{0.01 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$R = 2.5 \Omega$$

✓ Thus, the resistance of the wire is 2.5Ω .