Marathon Problems

Unit: Stoichiometry

NGSS Standards/MA Curriculum Frameworks (2016): HS-PS1-2, HS-PS1-7, HS-PS2-8(MA)

Mastery Objective(s): (Students will be able to…)

- Solve challenging problems that combine several aspects of chemistry.

Success Criteria:

- Problems correctly utilize strategies from various topics throughout the year.
- Solutions use the equation appropriate for the information given.
- Solutions have the correct quantities substituted for the correct variables.
- Algebra and rounding to appropriate number of significant figures is correct.

Language Objectives:

- Explain what each part of each problem is asking and which topic it relates to.

Notes:

These are intentionally challenging problems that relate topics we studied throughout the year, including gas laws, solutions & concentration, solubility, naming compounds and writing formulas, predicting products, activity series, balancing equations, stoichiometry, limiting reactant, and percent yield.

A couple of the answers are provided so you can check your work at key points in the process, but you're on your own for the rest!

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Homework Problems

1. 0.75 L of 2.5 M sodium phosphate is mixed with 1.25 L of 2.0 M calcium chloride.

    a. Predict the products, write and balance the chemical equation.

    b. Use your solubility rules to determine whether a chemical reaction happens based on whether a precipitate forms.
       (*If no reaction happens, you may skip the rest of this question. Hint: a reaction does happen.* ☺)

    c. Calculate the number of moles of each reactant and determine which one is limiting.

    d. How many *grams* of the precipitate are produced?

       Answer: 260 g

    e. If 150. g of precipitate was recovered on the filter paper, what is the percent yield?

    f. If one of the products remains in solution (*Hint: it does.*), what is its concentration in $\frac{mol}{L}$?

       (*Hint: you will need to add the volumes of the two solutions that you started with to find the total volume.*)

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2. In a laboratory experiment 115 g of sulfur (S_8) was reacted with 89.6 L of oxygen gas (O_2) at S.T.P., in a synthesis reaction, producing only compound *X*. This compound contains 50 % sulfur by mass, and its empirical formula is the same as its molecular formula.

    a. Use percent composition data to determine the chemical formula of compound *X*.

    b. Write a balanced chemical equation for the reaction.

    c. Which of the reactants was limiting?

    d. What is the theoretical yield of compound *X*, in grams?

    Answer: 229 g

    e. If 189 g of compound *X* was actually recovered, what was the percent yield of *X*?

    Answer: 82.4 %

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