

## Alkali Metals

1. **Sodium reacts with water more vigorously than lithium because**
  - 1) It has higher atomic mass
  - 2) It is more electropositive
  - 3) It is more electronegative
  - 4) It is a metal
2. **On heating sodium carbonate ..... is evolved**
  - 1)  $\text{CO}_2$
  - 2)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - 3)  $\text{O}_2$
  - 4) No gas
3. **Sodium carbonate can be manufactured by Solvay's process but potassium carbonate cannot be prepared because**
  - 1)  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  is more soluble
  - 2)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  is less soluble
  - 3)  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  is more soluble than  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - 4)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  is less soluble than  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$
4. **Zinc reacts with excess of caustic soda to form**
  - 1)  $\text{ZnO}$
  - 2)  $\text{Zn(OH)}_2$
  - 3)  $\text{ZnO} \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
  - 4)  $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
5. **Alkali metals are characterised by**
  - 1) Good conductors of heat and electricity
  - 2) High melting points
  - 3) Low oxidation potentials
  - 4) High ionisation potentials
6. **A solution of sodium in liquid ammonia is strongly reducing due to the presence of**
  - 1) Sodium atoms
  - 2) Sodium hydride
  - 3) Sodium amide
  - 4) Solvated electrons
7. **Causticisation is used for the preparation of**
  - 1) Caustic soda
  - 2) Slaked lime
  - 3) Caustic potash
  - 4) Baryta
8. **A substance X is a compound of an element of group 1A. The substance X gives a violet colour in flame test, X is**
  - 1)  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - 2)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - 3)  $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - 4) None of these

**9. Select the correct statement.**

- 1) Lithium carbonate is soluble in water.
- 2) Potassium carbonate is soluble in water.
- 3) Barium carbonate is soluble in water.
- 4) Bicarbonate of lithium is insoluble in water.

**10. Alkali metals are powerful reducing agents because**

- 1) These are metals
- 2) These are monovalent
- 3) Their ionic radii are large
- 4) Their ionization potentials are low

**11. Electrolysis of fused will give**

- 1)  $Na$
- 2)  $NaOH$
- 3)  $NaClO$
- 4)  $NaClO_3$

**12. An element having electronic configuration  $1s^2, 2s^2, sp^6, 3s^2, 3p^6, 4s^1$  will form**

- 1) Acidic oxide
- 2) Basic oxide
- 3) Amphoteric oxide
- 4) Neutral oxide

**13. The products of electrolysis of concentrated common salt solution are**

- 1)  $Na + Cl_2$
- 2)  $H_2 + O_2$
- 3)  $NaOH + H_2 + Cl_2$
- 4)  $NaOH + Cl_2 + O_2$

**14. One of the natural minerals of sodium is tin cal. Its formula is**

- 1)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$
- 2)  $NaNO_3$
- 3)  $Na_2B_4O_7 \cdot 10H_2O$
- 4)  $NaCl$

**15. Potassium when heated strongly in oxygen, it forms**

- 1)  $K_2O$
- 2)  $KO_2$
- 3)  $K_2O_2$
- 4)  $KO$

**16. The reaction of sodium is highly exothermic with water. The rate of reaction is lowered by**

- 1) Lowering the temperature
- 2) Mixing with alcohol
- 3) Mixing with acetic acid
- 4) Making an amalgam

**17. Chile saltpetre is**

- 1)  $NaNO_2$
- 2)  $KNO_2$
- 3)  $NaNO_3$
- 4)  $KNO_3$

18. What are the raw materials used in Solvay process?

- 1)  $NaCl, NH_3, CaCO_3$                       2)  $NaOH, CO_2$   
 3)  $NaCl, CO_2$                               4)  $NaCl, CaCO_3, C, H_2SO_4$

19. Potassium nitrate is called

- 1) Mohr's salt                      2) Indian saltpetre      3) Gypsum                      4) Chile saltpetre

20. In the following reaction  $NaOH + S \rightarrow A + Na_2S_5 + H_2O_2$  A is

- 1)  $Na_2SO_3$                       2)  $Na_2SO_4$                       3)  $Na_2S_2O_3$                       4)  $Na_2S$

21.  $Na_2CO_3 + Fe_2O_3 \rightarrow A + CO_2$ , what is in the reaction?

- 1)  $NaFeO_2$                       2)  $Na_3FeO_3$                       3)  $Fe_3O_4$                       4)  $Na_2FeO_2$

22. The name oxone is given to

- 1) Ozone                              2) Sodium peroxide      3) Sodium oxide              4) Sodamide

23. A combustible gas is liberated when caustic soda solution is heated with

- 1) S                                      2)  $NH_4Cl$                       3)  $I_2$                                   4) Zn

24. Caustic soda is

- 1) Efflorescent                      2) Deliquescent              3) Hygroscopic              4) Oxidant

25. The compound called microcosmic salt is

- 1)  $Na_2HPO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$               2)  $Na(NH_4)HPO_4 \cdot 4H_2O$       3)  $Na_2NH_4PO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$       4)  $(NH_4)_2HPO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$

26. Sodium carbonate solution is alkaline due to

- 1) Hydrolysis of  $Na^+$                       2) Hydrolysis of  $CO_3^-$   
 3) Hydrolysis of both  $Na^+$  and  $CO_3^-$  ions      4) None of the above

27. If  $NaOH$  is added to an aqueous solution of  $Zn^{2+}$  ions, a white precipitate appears and on adding excess of  $NaOH$ , the precipitate dissolves. In the solution, zinc exists in the

- 1) Anionic part                      2) Cationic part  
 3) Both in anionic and cationic parts      4) Colloidal form

**28. Which of the following has lowest thermal stability?**

- 1)  $Li_2CO_3$                       2)  $Na_2CO_3$                       3)  $K_2CO_3$                       4)  $Rb_2CO_3$

**29. The pair of compounds which cannot exist together in solution is**

- 1)  $NaHCO_3$  and  $NaOH$                       2)  $Na_2CO_3$  and  $NaHCO_3$   
3)  $Na_2CO_3$  and  $NaOH$                       4)  $NaHCO_3$  and  $NaCl$

**30. The most abundant alkali metal in nature is**

- 1) Lithium                      2) Sodium                      3) Potassium                      4) Caesium

**31. Sodium burns in dry air to give**

- 1)  $Na_2O$                       2)  $Na_2O_2$                       3)  $NaO_2$                       4)  $Na_3N$

**32. Sodium sulphate is soluble in water whereas barium sulphate is sparingly soluble because**

- 1) The hydration energy of sodium sulphate is more than its lattice energy  
2) The lattice energy of barium sulphate is less than its hydration energy  
3) The lattice energy has no role to play in solubility  
4) The hydration energy of sodium sulphate is less than its lattice energy

**33. Which of the following increases in magnitude as the atomic number of alkali metals increases?**

- 1) Electro negativity                      2) First ionisation potential  
3) Ionic radius                      4) Melting point

**34. Washing soda has the formula**

- 1)  $Na_2CO_3$                       2)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot H_2O$                       3)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 7H_2O$                       4)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$

**35. The metallic luster exhibited by sodium is explained by**

- 1) Diffusion of sodium ions      2) Oscillation of mobile valence electrons  
3) Existence of free protons      4) Existence of body centered cubic lattice



- 44. Identify the correct statement. Elemental sodium**
- 1) Can be prepared and isolated by electrolysing an aqueous solution of sodium chloride
  - 2) Is a strong oxidising agent
  - 3) Is insoluble in ammonia
  - 4) Is easily oxidised
- 45. Which reacts directly with nitrogen to form nitride?**
- 1) *Na*
  - 2) *Li*
  - 3) *K*
  - 4) *Rb*
- 46. Which of the following compounds on reaction with  $NaOH$  and  $H_2O_2$  gives yellow colour?**
- 1)  $Zn(OH)_2$
  - 2)  $Cr(OH)_3$
  - 3)  $Al(OH)_3$
  - 4) None
- 47. The stability of the following alkali metal chlorides follows the order**
- 1)  $LiCl > KCl > NaCl > CsCl$
  - 2)  $CsCl > KCl > NaCl > LiCl$
  - 3)  $NaCl > KCl > LiCl > CsCl$
  - 4)  $KCl > CsCl > NaCl > LiCl$
- 48. In view of their low ionization energies the alkali metals are**
- 1) Weak oxidizing agents
  - 2) Strong reducing agents
  - 3) Weak reducing agents
  - 4) Weak reducing agents
- 49. When sodium is treated with sufficient oxygen/air, the product obtained is**
- 1)  $Na_2O$
  - 2)  $Na_2O_2$
  - 3)  $NaO_2$
  - 4)  $NaO$
- 50. Which of the following has the least ionization potential?**
- 1) *Li*
  - 2) *He*
  - 3) *N*
  - 4) *N*
- 51.  $KO_2$  (Potassium superoxide) is used in oxygen cylinders in space and submarines because it**
- 1) Decomposes to give oxygen
  - 2) Eliminates moisture
  - 3) Absorbs  $CO_2$
  - 4) Produces ozone

**52. Sodium carbonate on heating gives**

- |                                  |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1) $CO_2$                        | 2) Water vapour      |
| 3) Carbon dioxide + water vapour | 4) None of the above |

**53. On dissolving moderate amount of sodium metal in liquid  $NH_3$  at low temperature which one of the following does not occur?**

- 1) Blue coloured solution is obtained
- 2)  $Na^+$  ions are formed in the solution
- 3) Liquid  $NH_3$  becomes good conductor of electricity
- 4) Liquid  $NH_3$  remains diamagnetic

**54. An alloy of  $Na$  and  $K$  is**

- 1) Liquid at room temperature
- 2) Used in specially designed thermometers
- 3) Unstable
- 4) Solid at room temperature

**55. (A) Lithium resembles magnesium diagonally placed in IIA group.**

**(R) The sizes of lithium and magnesium atoms and their ions ( $Li^+$  and  $Mg^{2+}$ ) are nearly the same.**

- 1) If both (A) and (R) are correct and (R) is the correct explanation of (1).
- 2) If both (A) and (R) are correct and (R) is not the correct explanation of (1).
- 3) If (A) is correct and (R) is wrong.
- 4) If (A) is wrong and (R) is correct.
- e) If both (A) and (R) are wrong.

**56. (A) Lithium chloride is predominantly covalent compound.**

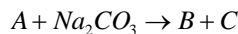
**(R) Electro negativity difference between  $Li$  and  $Cl$  is small.**

**57. (A) Alkali metals do not occur in native state.**

**(R) Alkali metals are highly reactive metals.**





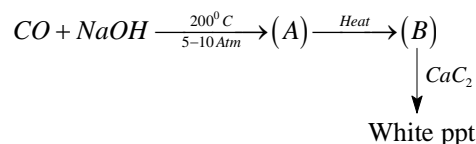


65.  $\xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}}$  Milky cloud, C

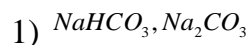
The chemical formulae of A, B and C are

- |    | A          | B          | C        |
|----|------------|------------|----------|
| 1) | $Ca(OH)_2$ | $NaOH$     | $CaCO_3$ |
| 2) | $NaOH$     | $Ca(OH)_2$ | $CaCO_3$ |
| 3) | $NaOH$     | $CaO$      | $CaCO_3$ |
| 4) | $CaO$      | $Ca(OH)_2$ | $NaOH$   |
66. In  $LiAlH_4$ , metal Al is present in
- 1) Cationic part
  - 2) Anionic part
  - 3) In both cationic and anionic parts
  - 4) Neither in cationic nor in anionic part
67. When sodium reacts with excess of oxygen, oxidation number of oxygen changes from
- 1) 0 to -1
  - 2) 0 to -2
  - 3) -1 to -2
  - 4) +1 to -1
68. Which disproportionate on heating with  $NaOH$  ?
- 1)  $P_4$
  - 2)  $S$
  - 3)  $Cl_2$
  - 4) All of these
69. On heating a mixture containing 1 mole each of  $Li_2CO_3$  and  $K_2CO_3$  .... is/ are formed
- 1) 2 moles of  $CO_2$
  - 2) 1 mole of  $CO_2$
  - 3) 1.5 moles of  $CO_2$
  - 4) No carbon dioxide
70. There is loss in mass when mixture of  $Li_2CO_3$  and  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$  is heated strongly the loss is due to
- 1)  $Li_2CO_3$  only
  - 2)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$  only
  - 3) Both  $Li_2CO_3$  and  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$
  - 4) None of the above
71. A colourless solid (X) on heating evolved  $CO_2$  when treated with dilute acid (X) is
- 1)  $Na_2CO_3$
  - 2)  $CaCO_3$
  - 3)  $NaHCO_3$
  - 4)  $Ca(HCO_3)_2$

72.



(1) and (2) are



73. Select the correct statement

- 1) Solubility of alkali hydroxides is in order  $CsOH > RbOH > KOH > NaOH > LiOH$ .
- 2) Solubility of alkali carbonates is in order  $Li_2CO_3 > Na_2CO_3 > K_2CO_3 > Rb_2CO_3 > CsCO_3$ .
- 3) Both are correct.
- 4) None is correct.

74. Match the following.

**List-I**

**List-2**

**Common name**

**Formula**

- |                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| A) Caustic soda | 1) $NaHCO_3$               |
| B) Washing soda | 2) $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$ |
| C) Baking soda  | 3) $NaCl$                  |
| D) Rock salt    | 4) $Na_2CO_3$              |
|                 | 5) $NaOH$                  |

The correct match is

- |    | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| 1) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2) | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |

- 3) 5      2      1      3  
4) 4      3      1      2

75. Match the following.

**List-I**

**List-2**

- |                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| A) Peroxide     | 1) $KO_2$                  |
| B) Deliquescent | 2) $Na_2CO_3$              |
| C) Superoxide   | 3) $Na_2SO_4 \cdot 10H_2O$ |
| D) Soda         | 4) $Na_2O_2$               |
|                 | 5) $LiCl$                  |

The correct match is

- |    | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| 1) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2) | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| 3) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 4) | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 |

76. List-I

List-2

- |                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| A) $K_2CO_3 + Na_2CO_3$      | 1) Dehydrating agent |
| B) Quick lime                | 2) Water glass       |
| C) $Na_2B_4O_7 \cdot 10H_2O$ | 3) Borax             |
| D) $Na_2SiO_3$               | 4) Glauber's salt    |
|                              | 5) Fusion mixture    |

The correct match is

- |    | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| 1) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 2) | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

3) 3      2      1      4

4) 4      2      5      3

**77. List-I**

**A) Soda lime**

**B) Electron**

**C) Black ash**

**D) Washing soda**

**List-2**

1)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O$

2)  $NaOH + CaO$

3)  $Mg + Zn$  alloy

4)  $Na_2CO_3 + CaS$

5)  $Mg + Al$  alloy

**The correct match is**

	A	B	C	D
1) 2	3	4	1	
2) 3	4	5	2	
3) 1	2	3	4	
4) 3	4	2	1	

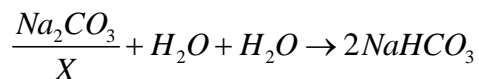
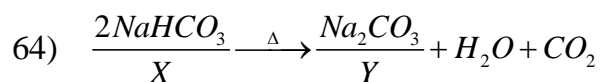
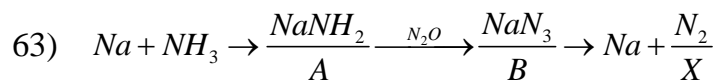
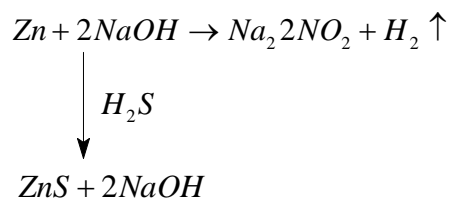
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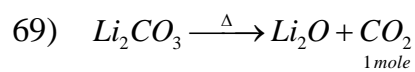
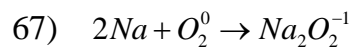
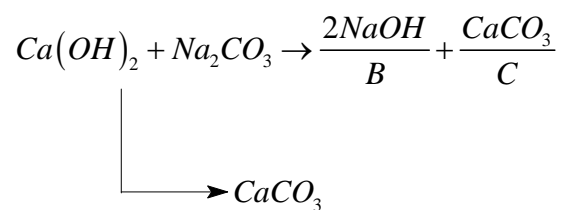
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- 2)  $Na_2CO_3 \cdot 10H_2O \rightarrow Na_2CO_3 + 10H_2O$
- 4)  $Zn + 2NaOH \rightarrow Na_2ZnO_2 + H_2 \uparrow$
- 14)  $Tincol \rightarrow Na_2B_4O_7 \cdot 10H_2O$
- 25)  $Na(NH_4)HPO_4 \cdot 4H_2O \rightarrow NaOH + H_2CO_3$
- 26)  $Na_2CO_3 + 2H_2O \rightarrow NaOH + H_2CO_3$
- 28) Thermal stability of IA group carbonates  $Li_2CO_3 < Na_2CO_3 < K_2CO_3 < RbCO_3$
- 38) Ionic character increases ..... the group
- 41) Thermal stability of hydrides  $LiH > NaH > KH > RbH$
- 53) Due to presence of solvated electrons
- 55) Diagonal relationship is due to
- i) Same E.N
  - ii) Same Polarising Power
  - iii) Same atomic radius

62)



65)



72)

