

## Reactants, Products and Leftovers Clicker questions

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 (assuming complete reactions)

### Reactants, Products, and Leftovers

#### Activity 1: Introduction to Chemical reactions

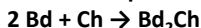
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##### Learning Goals:

Students will be able to:

- Relate the real-world example of making sandwiches to chemical reactions
- Describe what “limiting reactant” means using examples of sandwiches and chemicals at a particle level.
- Identify the limiting reactant in a chemical reaction
- Use your own words to explain the Law of Conservation of Particles means using examples of sandwiches and chemical reaction

1. Making a cheese sandwich can be represented by the chemical equation:



What would you expect a sandwich to look like?



A

B

C

D

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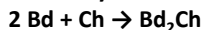
A

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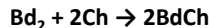
What does the “2” on the left side of the chemical equation represent?

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B. 2 separate pieces of bread 

C. 2 loaves of bread 


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5. A menu at the Chemistry Café shows a sandwich:  $BdM_2Ch$   
What would you expect a sandwich to have?

- A. 2 pieces of bread, 2 pieces of meat, 1 piece of cheese
- B. 1 piece of bread, 2 pieces of meat, 1 piece of cheese
- C. 2 loaves of bread

7. The Chemistry Café owner was out of bread. She went to the bakery next door and bought a loaf which had 33 slices. Then she sells 12 sandwiches, which need 2 pieces of bread each. How much bread did she have left?

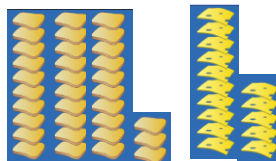
- A. 21
- B. 9
- C. None, she gave the leftovers to the birds

6. A menu at the Chemistry Café describes a sandwich as 3 pieces of bread, one meat and 2 cheeses.

What would you expect a sandwich name to be?

- A.  $Bd_2MCh_2$
- B.  $Bd_3M_2Ch$
- C.  $Bd_3MCh_2$

8. The Chemistry Café cook has a loaf which had 33 slices and a package of cheese that has 15 slices. He is making sandwiches that have 2 pieces of both bread and cheese. How many sandwiches can he make?



- A.16
- B.15
- C.7

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#### Activity 2: Limiting Reactants in Chemical reactions

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**Learning Goals:** Students will be able to:

- Predict the amounts of products and leftovers after reaction using the concept of limiting reactant
- Predict the initial amounts of reactants given the amount of products and leftovers using the concept of limiting reactant
- Translate from symbolic (chemical formula) to molecular (pictorial) representations of matter
- Explain how subscripts and coefficients are used to solve limiting reactant problems.

1. A mixture of 4 moles of  $H_2$  and 3 moles of  $O_2$  reacts to make water. Identify: limiting reactant, excess reactant, and how much is unreacted.

- |    | Limiting reactant | Excess reactant |
|----|-------------------|-----------------|
| A. | $H_2$             | 1 mole $H_2$    |
| B. | $H_2$             | 1 mole $O_2$    |
| C. | $O_2$             | 1 mole $H_2$    |
| D. | $O_2$             | 1 mole $O_2$    |

E. No reaction occurs since the equation does not balance with 4 mole  $H_2$  and 3 mole  $O_2$

2. A mixture of 6 moles of  $\text{H}_2$  and 2 moles of  $\text{O}_2$  reacts to make water. How much water is made?

- A. 6 moles water
- B. 2 moles water
- C. 3 moles water
- D. 4 moles water
- E. No reaction occurs since the equation does not balance with 6 mole  $\text{H}_2$  and 2 mole  $\text{O}_2$

4. A mixture of 2.5 moles of Na and 1.8 moles of  $\text{Cl}_2$  reacts to make NaCl. How much sodium chloride is made?

- A. 2.5 moles NaCl
- B. 1.8 moles NaCl
- C. 0.7 moles NaCl
- D. 0.55 moles NaCl
- E. 1 mole NaCl

5. What are the amounts after the reaction?

Initial:

7  $\text{CH}_4$  and 3  $\text{O}_2$



After:

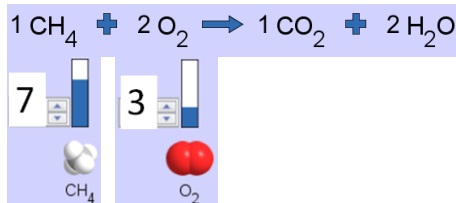
A. 6	1	1	2
B. 1	6	1	2
C. 1	0	6	12
D. 4	0	4	8

3. A mixture of 2.5 moles of Na and 1.8 moles of  $\text{Cl}_2$  reacts to make NaCl. Identify: limiting reactant, excess reactant, and how much is unreacted.

Limiting reactant    Excess reactant

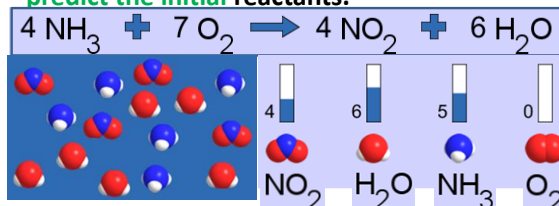
- A. Na    0.7 mole Na
- B. Na    0.7 mole  $\text{Cl}_2$
- C. Na    0.55 mole  $\text{Cl}_2$
- D.  $\text{Cl}_2$     0.7 mole Na
- E.  $\text{Cl}_2$     1 mole Na

5. The reaction for combustion of methane is



Given the shown amounts for each reactant, predict the amounts of products and leftovers after complete reaction.

6. Given the shown amounts for the products and leftovers after a complete reaction, predict the initial reactants.



6. What are the amounts before the reaction?

After:



Before:



7. What are the amounts before the reaction?

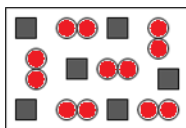
After:



Before:



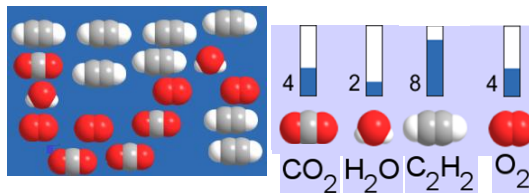
9. An initial mixture of sulfur (■) and oxygen (●●) is represented:



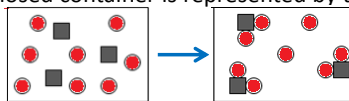
Using this equation:  $2\text{S} + 3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{SO}_3$ , what would the results look like?

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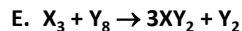
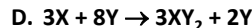
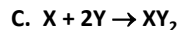
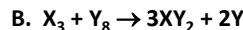
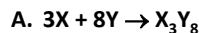
7. Given the shown amounts for the products and leftovers after a complete reaction, predict the initial reactants.



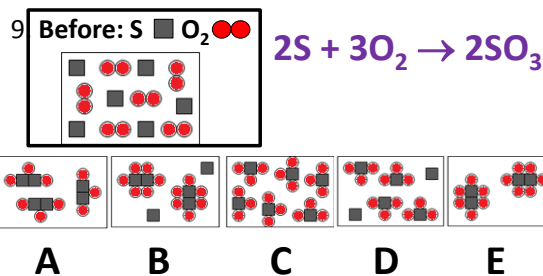
8. A mixture of S atoms (■) and O<sub>2</sub> molecules (●●) in a closed container is represented by the diagrams:



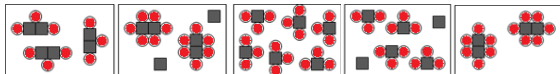
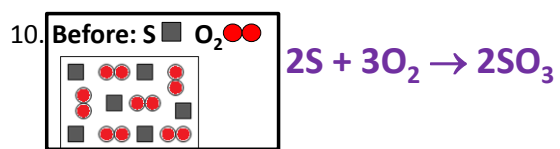
Which equation best describes this reaction?



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Which is the limiting reactant?

- A. Sulfur
- B. Oxygen
- C. Neither they are both completely used

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