Information: Double Replacement Reactions

In the previous ChemQuest, you learned about <u>single replacement</u> reactions in which a single atom replaces an ion from another reactant. Study what happens in the following reactions. They are called <u>double replacement reactions</u>.

 $MgCl_2 + NaF \rightarrow NaCl + MgF_2$ $Al_2S_3 + Na_2O \rightarrow Al_2O_3 + Na_2S$ $Ca(NO_3)_2 + Na_3P \rightarrow NaNO_3 + Ca_3P_2$

Critical Thinking Questions

- 1. What is the difference between single replacement reactions and double replacement reactions?
- 2. Complete the following reactions by providing the formulas for the missing compound(s).

a)
$$Cu(NO_3)_2 + NaNO_3 + CuCl_2$$

b)
$$ZnI_2 + A I_2 SO_4 + AII_3$$

c)
$$K_2O + MgBr_2 \rightarrow KBv + MqO$$

e)
$$(NH_4)_2CO_3 + CaI_2 \rightarrow NH_4T + CaCO_3$$

3. Name the two products in the reaction between calcium phosphate and sodium iodide.

4. Explain why when you mix the following reactants, no reaction occurs: Na₂SO₄ + NaCl →

they both contain sodium so the products wouldn't be any different.

Information: Combustion Reactions

Another type of reaction is a combustion reaction. During combustion, a hydrocarbon reacts with oxygen. The products for complete combustion are always the same—water and carbon dioxide and energy. The following equation is an example of the combustion of a hydrocarbon.

$$C_3H_8 + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

Critical Thinking Questions

5. Complete the following reactions by supplying the missing compound in each blank.

a)
$$C_4H_8 + ____ \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

b)
$$C_6H_{14} + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

6. Write a combustion reaction for C_5H_{10} .

$$C_5H_{10} + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

Information: Synthesis and Decomposition Reactions

Two other types of reactions are <u>synthesis</u> and <u>decomposition</u>. During a synthesis reaction, several reactants combine to make a single product. During a decomposition, one reactant *decomposes* into two or more products. The following table shows some examples of these types of reactions.

Synthesis	Decomposition
$H_2 + O_2 \rightarrow H_2O$	$H_2O \rightarrow H_2 + O_2$
Na + Cl ₂ → NaCl	NaCl → Na + Cl ₂

Critical Thinking Questions

- 7. Every synthesis reaction has product and every decomposition reaction has how many?
- 8. Write a synthesis reaction for sodium metal reacting with chlorine gas to form sodium chloride. (Remember that chlorine is diatomic.)

9. Categorize each of the following reactions as single replacement (SR), double replacement (DR), synthesis (S), decomposition (D) or combustion (C).

$$S$$
 a) Ca + O₂ \rightarrow CaO

$$SR$$
 b) $Mg(NO_3)_2 + Cu \rightarrow CuNO_3 + Mg$

$$\underline{C}$$
 c) $C_4H_{10} + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$ \underline{D} d) $Al_2O_3 \rightarrow Al + O_2$

$$D$$
 d) $Al_2O_3 \rightarrow Al + O_2$

$$SR$$
 e) $SrCl_2 + F_2 \rightarrow SrF_2 + Cl_2$ R f) $BaF_2 + Na_2O \rightarrow BaO + NaF$

$$\mathbf{DR}$$
 f) $\mathrm{BaF}_2 + \mathrm{Na}_2\mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{BaO} + \mathrm{NaF}$

10. Write an equation for the combustion of C₃H₆.

$$C_3H_6 + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

11. Write an equation for the decomposition of calcium oxide.

Practice Problems

1. Complete the following reactions.

a)
$$Na_2CO_3 + AIN \rightarrow Na_3N + Al_2[CO_3]_3$$

b)
$$BaCl_2 + F_2 \rightarrow BaF_2 + Cl_2$$

2. Fill in the blanks for the missing reactant or product and then in the blank to the left of each equation indicate whether the reaction is a single replacement (SR), double replacement (DR), synthesis (S), decomposition (D) or combustion (C).

$$\overline{DR}$$
 a) LiCl + $\overline{Z_{h}(NV_{3})_{2}} \rightarrow ZnCl_{2} + LiNO_{3}$

$$SR$$
 b) NaBr + CaBr₂ \rightarrow NaBr + Ca

$$S_c$$
 K + Cl₂ \rightarrow KCl