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## The Limiting Reactant

## Steps to Solving Limiting Reactant Problems (when given mass of reactants)



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## Limiting Reactant Problem Set

## Complete the following questions from the textbook page 321: Q\# 2,4,5,7,10

1. The following balanced chemical equation shows the reaction of aluminum with copper(II) chloride. If 0.25 g of aluminum reacts with 0.51 g of copper(II) chloride, determine the limiting reactant.
$2 \mathrm{Al}(\mathrm{s})+3 \mathrm{CuCl}_{2}(\mathrm{aq}) \rightarrow 3 \mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{s})+2 \mathrm{AlCl}_{3}(\mathrm{aq})$
2. Hydrogen fluoride is a highly toxic gas. It is produced by the double displacement reaction of calcium fluoride with concentrated sulfuric acid.
$\mathrm{CaF}_{2}(\mathrm{~s})+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}(\mathrm{I}) \rightarrow 2 \mathrm{HF}(\mathrm{g})+\mathrm{CaSO}_{4}(\mathrm{~s})$

3. Use the following equations to answer the questions below:
$6 \mathrm{ClO}_{2}(\mathrm{~g})+3 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(\mathrm{l}) \rightarrow 5 \mathrm{HClO}_{3}(\mathrm{aq})+\mathrm{HCl}(\mathrm{aq})$
a) If 71.00 g of $\mathrm{ClO}_{2}$ is mixed with 19.00 g of water, what is the limiting reactant?
b) What mass of $\mathrm{HClO}_{3}$ is expected in part a)?
4. A student performs the following reaction with 61.8 g of $\mathrm{MnI}_{2}$ and 41.8 g of $\mathrm{F}_{2}$.
$2 \mathrm{MnI}_{2}(\mathrm{~s})+13 \mathrm{~F}_{2}(\mathrm{~g}) \rightarrow 2 \mathrm{MnF}_{3}(\mathrm{~s})+4 \mathrm{FF}_{5}(\mathrm{I})$
a) What is the limiting reactant?
b) What mass of $\mathrm{MnF}_{3}$ is expected?
c) How many formula units of $\mathrm{MnF}_{3}$ will be produced?
5. A student mixes 5.3 g of barium chloride and 6.9 g of sodium sulfate. What mass of barium sulfate is expected?
ANSWERS: 1. $\mathrm{CuCl}_{2}$ 2. $\mathrm{CaF}_{2}$
6. a) $\mathrm{ClO}_{2}$ b) 74.08 g
7. a) $F_{2}$
b) 18.9 g
c) $1.02 \times 10^{23}$ formula units
8. 5.9 g
