

General Formula

Single Replacement (displacement):

$$\overset{+}{A} + \overset{-}{BC} \rightarrow \overset{+}{B} + \overset{-}{AC} \quad \text{OR}$$

$$\overset{+}{A} + \overset{-}{BC} \rightarrow \overset{-}{C} + \overset{+}{BA}$$

Double Replacement (displacement):

$$\overset{+}{A}\overset{-}{B} + \overset{+}{C}\overset{-}{D} \rightarrow \overset{+}{A}\overset{-}{D} + \overset{+}{C}\overset{-}{B}$$

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Check for Understanding:

Balance and determine the type of reaction.

DR $\text{NaBr} + \text{Ca(OH)}_2 \rightarrow \text{CaBr}_2 + \text{NaOH}$
comp comp

DR $\text{HBr} + \text{Al(OH)}_3 \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{AlBr}_3$
comp comp

SR $\text{Mg} + \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{Fe} + \text{MgO}$
single comp

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Predicting Products:

Single Replacement

- you need to check the activity series
- the reaction can happen ONLY if the bonded element is lower on the list than the single element
- if the lone element is higher on the list, it must switch the element that has the same type of charge (positive or negative)

Most active

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Least active

METALS

Lithium

Rubidium

Potassium

Calcium

Sodium

Magnesium

Aluminum

Manganese

Zinc

Iron

Nickel

Tin

Lead

Copper

Silver

Platinum

Gold

Most active

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Least active

HALOGENS

Fluorine

Chlorine

Bromine

Iodine

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Single Replacement Example

$$2\overset{+1}{Li} + \overset{+2}{Ca}\overset{-2}{SO}_4 \rightarrow Ca + \overset{+1}{Li}_2\overset{-2}{SO}_4$$

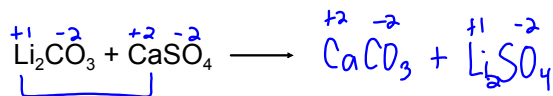
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Predicting Products:

Double Replacement

- you do NOT need to look at the activity series
- the elements with the same type of charge will switch (positive or negative)

Double Replacement Example

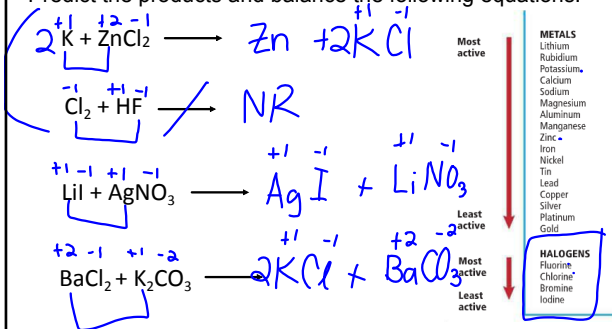


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CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Predict the products and balance the following equations:



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