## Acids, Bases and Buffers (MCQ)

- 20 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> hydrochloric acid is added to 10 cm<sup>3</sup> of 0.10 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium hydroxide.
   What is the pH of the resulting mixture?
  - A 1.00
    B 1.18
    C 1.30
    D 1.48

Your answer	
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2. Phosphoric acid is a tribasic acid.

What is the mass of Ca(OH)\_2 that completely neutralises 100  $\rm cm^3$  of 0.100 mol  $\rm dm^{-3}$  phosphoric acid?

A 0.49 g
 B 0.74 g
 C 1.11 g
 D 2.22 g
 Your answer

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**3.** The equation shows the dissociation of the acid H<sub>3</sub>AsO<sub>4</sub> in water.

 $H_3AsO_4 + H_2O \rightleftharpoons H_2AsO_4^- + H_3O^+$ 

Which pair is a conjugate acid-base pair?

- A H<sub>3</sub>AsO<sub>4</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O
- $\textbf{B} \quad H_2 AsO_4^- \text{ and } H_3O^+$
- $\textbf{C} \quad H_3 AsO_4 \text{ and } H_3O^+$
- $\boldsymbol{D} \quad H_3O^{\scriptscriptstyle +} \text{ and } H_2O$

Your answer

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**4.** A buffer solution is prepared by mixing 200 cm<sup>3</sup> of 2.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> propanoic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, with 600 cm<sup>3</sup> of 1.00 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> sodium propanoate, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COONa.

 $K_{a}$  for CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH = 1.32 × 10<sup>-5</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

What is the pH of the buffer solution?

Α	4.58	
В	4.70	
С	5.06	
D	5.18	

Your answer

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HA and HB are two strong monobasic acids.
 25.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 6.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HA is mixed with 45.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of 3.0 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> HB.

What is the H<sup>+</sup>(aq) concentration, in mol dm<sup>-3</sup>, in the resulting solution?

- A 1.9B 2.1
- **C** 4.1
- **D** 4.5

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**6.** A 0.040 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> solution of a weak monobasic acid is 1.0% dissociated.

What is the value of  $K_a$  for the acid?

Α	2.0 × 10 <sup>-7</sup> mol dm <sup>-3</sup>
В	4.0 × 10 <sup>-6</sup> mol dm <sup>-3</sup>
С	4.0 × 10 <sup>-4</sup> mol dm <sup>-3</sup>

**D**  $4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ 

Your answer

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- 7. Which statement is correct for a neutral solution at any temperature?
  - A.  $K_w = 1.00 \times 10^{-14} \text{ mol}^2 \text{ dm}^{-6}$
  - B. The solution contains only H<sub>2</sub>O
  - C.  $[H^+] = [OH^-]$
  - D. pH = 7

Your answer		

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A buffer solution is based on methanoic acid, HCOOH ( $K_a = 1.70 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ ) and 8. methanoate ions, HCOO<sup>-</sup>.

In the buffer solution, the HCOOH concentration is half the HCOO<sup>-</sup> concentration.

What is the pH of the buffer solution?

A. B. C. D.	2.47 3.07 3.47 4.07	
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9. A solution of propanoic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, has a pH of 2.89 at 25 °C.

What is [H<sup>+</sup>] in this solution?

- A. 1.7 × 10<sup>-6</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup>
- B.  $4.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ C.  $1.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
- D. 0.46 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>

Your answer

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## Mark scheme – Acids, Bases and Buffers (MCQ)

Question		on	Answer/Indicative content	Marks	Guidance
1			D	1 (AO 2.2)	
			Total	1	
2			с	1 (AO 2.2)	
			Total	1	
3			D	1 (AO 1.2)	
			Total	1	
4			с	1 (AO 2.6)	Examiner's Comments This relatively difficult pH calculation was readily done successfully by higher ability candidates, but lower ability candidates found it difficult, with answer B proving a popular choice.
			Total	1	
5			с	1	ALLOW 4.1 in the box
			Total	1	
6			В	1	
			Total	1	
7			с	1	
			Total	1	
8			D	1	
			Total	1	
9			С	1	
			Total	1	