## **Equations for Acids & Bases** Chem Worksheet 19-1

Name



An acid is defined as a substance that donates a proton (written H<sup>+</sup>) while a base is the substance that receives a proton. Typically the chemical formula can be used to determine the acid, because it will begin with the symbol H. For example in the following equation HCl is the acid and it donates a proton to water.

Acids donate protons Bases accept protons

A proton is a hydrogen ion

In this reaction the HCl is the acid, while the H<sub>2</sub>O acts as the base. This creates two new products: hydronium, H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>, and the chloride ion, Cl<sup>-</sup>.

Some acids have the ability to donate two or three protons and these are known as diprotic or triprotic acids respectively. For these acids each successive step of hydrogen donation is represented with its own equation. Consider the diprotic acid called carbonic acid, H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>.

First step: 
$$H_2$$

$$H_2CO_3 + H_2O \rightarrow H_3O^+ + HCO_3^-$$

$$\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$$

## Example

Write the chemical equation that shows what happens when HF (acid) is added to water.

$$HF + H_2O \rightarrow F^- + H_3O^+$$

- check to make sure the atoms and the charge are balanced



Rewrite each equation and label the acid and the base in each reaction.

1. 
$$NH_3 + H_2O \rightarrow NH_4^+ + OH$$

4. 
$$H_2Q + CN^- \rightarrow HCN + OH$$

2. 
$$H_1 + OH^- \rightarrow \Gamma + H_2O$$

5. 
$$OH^{-} + NH_{4}^{+} \rightarrow H_{2}O + NH_{3}$$

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$$NH_3 + H_2O \rightarrow NH_4^+ + OH^-$$
  
2.  $HI + OH^- \rightarrow \Gamma + H_2O$   
3.  $HCO_3^- + HNO_3 \rightarrow H_2CO_3 + NO_3^-$ 

4. 
$$H_2Q + CN^- \rightarrow HCN + OH^-$$
  
5.  $OH^- + NH_4^+ \rightarrow H_2O + NH_3$   
6.  $H_2SO_4 + PO_4^{3-} \rightarrow HPO_4^{2-} + HSO_4^-$ 

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 111 111                      | Acid                           | Base                          | Equation  |
|                              |                                | OH <sup>-</sup>               | $HNO_3 + OH^- \rightarrow H_2O + NO_3^-$        |
| 7                            | HNO <sub>3</sub>               |                               | $CH_3NH_2 + H_2O \rightarrow OH^- + CH_3NH_3^+$ |
| 8                            | 420                            | CH3NH2                        | CH31VH2 + H2O - H O+ + CN-                      |
| 9                            | HCN                            | 420                           | $HCN + H_2O \rightarrow H_3O^+ + CN^-$          |
| 10                           | HBr                            | $H_2O$                        | HBrx HaO -> HaOt + Br                           |
| 11                           | HPO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> | NH <sub>3</sub>               | HPOy3+NH3->NHy+HOy3                             |
| 12                           | H2S                            | 0H-                           | $OH^- + H_2S \rightarrow H_2O + HS^-$           |
| 13                           | $H_2C_2O_4$                    | OH <sup>-</sup>               | HogoyroH-> HootHCooy                            |
| 14                           | HCIO                           | NH <sub>3</sub>               | HCIO + NH3 -> NHy++ Clo                         |
| 15                           | HSO <sub>4</sub>               | CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> | HSO4- + CO3-3 -> HCO3- + SO4-2                  |
| 15                           |                                |                               |   |

