## **Balancing Equations**

Which of the following equations are **balanced** correctly? Tick the correct boxes.

	Correctly balanced	Incorrectly balanced
$H_2 + Cl_2 \rightarrow 2HCl$		
$CuO + HCI \rightarrow CuCl_2 + H_2O$		
$N_2 + H_2 \rightarrow NH_3$		
$CuO + H_2 \rightarrow Cu + H_2O$		

Q2 Here is the equation for the formation of carbon **mon**oxide in a poorly ventilated gas fire. It is **not** balanced correctly.

 $CaCO_3 \rightarrow CaO + CO_2$ 

a)

d)

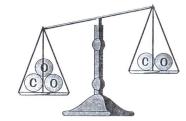
$$C + O_2 \rightarrow CO$$

Circle the correctly balanced version of this equation.

$$C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$$

$$C + O_2 \rightarrow 2CO$$

$$2C + O_2 \rightarrow 2CO$$



Q3 In a book, this is the description of a reaction: "methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) can be burnt in oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) to make carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and water (H<sub>2</sub>O)".

a)	What are the <b>reactants</b> and the <b>products</b> in this reaction?		
	Reactants: Products:		
b)	Write the word equation for this reaction.		
c)	Write the balanced symbol equation for the reaction.		

The most important thing to remember with balancing equations is that you can't change the little numbers — if you do that then you'll change the substance into something completely different. Right, now that I've given you that little gem of knowledge, you can carry on with the rest.

Don't forget the oxygen ends up in both products -

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Write out the balanced **symbol** equations for the picture equations below (some of which are unbalanced).

a)





 $\rightarrow$ 

Na Cl

You can draw more pictures to help you balance the unbalanced ones.

b)

+

 $\rightarrow$ 

- $\begin{array}{c} \text{C} \\ \text{Mg} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{C} \\ \text{O} \\$
- Q5 Add **one** number to each of these equations so that they are **correctly balanced**.

a)  $\text{CuO} + \text{HBr} \rightarrow \text{CuBr}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

b)  $\dots H_2 + \dots Br_2 \rightarrow \dots HBr$ 

c) ...... Mg + ......  $O_2^{-1} \rightarrow 2MgO$ 

- d)  $2NaOH + \dots H_2SO_4 \rightarrow \dots Na_2SO_4 + \dots H_2O$
- **Q6 Balance** these equations by adding in numbers.

a) 
$$NaOH + \dots AlBr_3 \rightarrow \dots NaBr + \dots Al(OH)_3$$

**b)** ......  $FeCl_2 + ...... Cl_2 \rightarrow ..... FeCl_3$ 



d) Fe +  $O_2 \rightarrow Fe_2O_3$ 





bromines and 2 hydrogens

on the left-hand side.

 $Fe_2O_3 + 3CO \rightarrow 2Fe + 3CO_2$