Percent Composition and Molecular Formula Worksheet

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1. What's the empirical formula of a molecule containing 65.5% carbon, 5.5% hydrogen, and 29.0%oxygen?

2. If the molar mass of the compound in problem 1 is 110 grams/mole, what's the molecular formula?

3. What's the empirical formula of a molecule containing 18.7% lithium, 16.3% carbon, and 65.0%oxygen?

4. If the molar mass of the compound in problem 3 is 73.8 grams/mole, what's the molecular formula?

Write the molecular formulas of the following compounds:

5. A compound with an empirical formula of C_2OH_4 and a molar mass of 88 grams per mole.

6. A compound with an empirical formula of C_4H_4O and a molar mass of 136 grams per mole.

7. A compound with an empirical formula of CFBrO and a molar mass of 254.7 grams per mole.

8. A compound with an empirical formula of C_2H_8N and a molar mass of 46 grams per mole.

Answer the following questions:

9. The percentage composition of acetic acid is found to be 39.9% C, 6.7% H, and 53.4% O. Determine the empirical formula of acetic acid.

10. The molar mass for question #9 was determined by experiment to be 60.0 g/mol. What is the molecular formula?

11. Aniline, a starting material for urethane plastic foams, consists of C, H, and N. Combustion of such compounds yields CO_2, H_2O, and N_2 as products. If the combustion of 9.71 g of aniline yields 6.63 g H_2O and 1.46 g N_2, what is its empirical formula?

12. The molar mass of aniline is 93 g/mol. What is its molecular formula?

13. Calculate the mass percent of carbon, nitrogen and oxygen in acetamide, C_2H_5NO.

14. A 50.51 g sample of a compound made from phosphorus and chlorine is decomposed. Analysis of the products showed that 11.39 g of phosphorus atoms were produced. What is the empirical formula of the compound?

15. When 2.5000 g of an oxide of mercury, (Hg_xO_y) is decomposed into the elements by heating, 2.405 g of mercury are produced. Calculate the empirical formula

16. The compound benzamide has the following percent composition. What is the empirical formula?
    C = 69.40 % H= 5.825 % O = 13.21 % N= 11.57 %

17. A component of protein called serine has an approximate molar mass of 100 g/mole. If the percent composition is as follows, what is the empirical and molecular formula of serine?
    C = 34.95 % H= 6.844 % O = 46.56 % N= 13.59 %

Percent Composition and Molecular Formula Worksheet Key

1. What's the empirical formula of a molecule containing 65.5% carbon, 5.5% hydrogen, and 29.0% oxygen? C_3H_3O mass = 55 g/mole
2. If the molar mass of the compound in problem 1 is 110 grams/mole, what's the molecular formula? $C_6H_6O_2$
3. What's the empirical formula of a molecule containing 18.7% lithium, 16.3% carbon, and 65.0% oxygen? Li_2CO_3
4. If the molar mass of the compound in problem 3 is 73.8 grams/mole, what's the molecular formula? Li_2CO_3

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    $C_3H_7NO_3$ empirical formula
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Molecular Formula Worksheet ANSWER KEY

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   Li_2CO_3 (In this case, the molecular and empirical formulas are the same, a frequent occurrence for inorganic compounds)

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Chapter 3: Worksheet #1 Mass Relationships
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        serine?

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$C_3H_7NO_3$ empirical formula

$C_3H_7NO_3$ molecular formula

6. Balance the following equations:

2 $NaCl(aq) + Ba(NO_3)_2(aq)$ **2** $NaNO_3(aq) + BaCl_2(aq)$

$Na_3PO_4(aq) +$ **3** $AgNO_3(aq)$ **3** $NaNO_3(aq) + Ag_3PO_4(s)$

$K_2SO_4(aq) + BaCl_2(aq)$ $BaSO_4(s) +$ **2** $KCl(aq)$

2 $HCl(aq) + Ca(OH)_2(aq)$ **2** $H_2O(l) + CaCl_2(aq)$

2 $Na(s) + S(s)$ $Na_2S(s)$

2 $C_2H_6(g) +$ **7** $O_2(g)$ **4** $CO_2(g) +$ **6** $H_2O(l)$

2 $Li(s) +$ **2** $H_2O(l)$ **2** $LiOH (s) + H_2(g)$

$Mg(s) + CuCl_2(aq)$ $MgCl_2(aq) + Cu(s)$

2 HgO(s) **2** Hg(l) + O_2(g)

4 FeO(s) + O_2(g) **2** Fe_2O_3(s)

Ca(HSO$_3$)$_2$(s) CaO(s) + H_2O(l) + **2** SO_2(g)

2 Fe(s) + **3** Br_2(l) **2** $FeBr_3$(s)

CH_3CH_2OH(l) + **3** O_2 **2** CO_2(g) + **3** H_2O(l)