

## FORM ONE

### 1.0.0 INTRODUCTION TO CHEMISTRY (12 Lessons)

#### 1.1.0 Specific Objectives

By the end of this topic, the learner should be able to:

- recall the topics related to chemistry taught at primary school level
- explain what the study of chemistry is about
- name and state the uses of common apparatus in the laboratory
- describe a Bunsen burner and its flame
- state laboratory safety rules.

#### 1.2.0 Content

##### 1.2.1 Review the following topics

- properties of matter
- states of matter
- mixtures and their separations
- conductors and non-conductors of electricity
- Mention of drugs (prescription, dosage and abuse)

##### 1.2.2 Chemistry and the Society

- Definition of chemistry and its role in the society

##### 1.2.3 Chemistry laboratory

- heating apparatus (Bunsen burner, spirit lamp, candle, gas or kerosene stove and electric heater)
- parts of a Bunsen burner and its flame
- measuring apparatus (volume, temperature, mass, time)
- other apparatus (glass ware, spatula, deflagrating spoon, crucible, wire gauze etc)
- laboratory safety rules.

### 2.0.0 SIMPLE CLASSIFICATION OF SUBSTANCES (32 Lessons)

#### 2.1.0 Specific Objectives

By the end of this topic, the learner should be able to:

- carry out simple experiments to obtain pure substances from mixtures
- state the criteria for identifying a pure substance
- define and determine the melting point and boiling point of a substance
- explain the three states of matter (solid, liquid, gas) in terms of a simplified form of the kinetic theory
- state the effect of heat on a variety of substances
- distinguish between permanent and non-permanent changes
- define an element, a compound, an atom and a molecule
- name and write the chemical symbols of common elements
- recognize the constituents of matter from given examples
- distinguish between mixtures and compounds
- apply separation techniques to extract various substances from natural sources.

#### 2.2.0 Content

##### 2.2.1 Separation of Mixtures

- Filtration, evaporation and condensation
- Distillation (simple and fractional), chromatography, solvent extraction as a method of extracting oil from nut seeds, crystallization, separation by using separating

- funnel, sublimation and decantation.
- Simple criteria for purity; melting point and boiling point.
- 2.2.2 Effect of heat on substances**
- States of matter (solid, liquid, gases); The Kinetic theory
  - Melting and boiling, condensation and evaporation of liquids in terms of kinetic theory
  - Permanent and non-permanent changes (illustrate using iodine, wax, copper(II) sulphate crystals, potassium manganate(VII), zinc(II) oxide etc)
- 2.2.3 Constituents of matter**
- Elements, atoms, molecules and compounds
  - Names and symbols of common elements
  - Simple word equations
- 2.2.4 Applications**
- Fractional distillation of crude oil (e.g. Changanwe oil refinery) and liquid air, salt extraction e.g. Magadi Soda Company and Ngomeni; removal of stains from fabrics (dry cleaning); obtaining cream from milk.
- 2.3.0 Projects**
- extraction of natural dyes, medicines and oils from plants
  - construction and use of a fractionating column
- 3.0.0 ACIDS, BASES AND INDICATORS (16 Lessons)**
- 3.1.0 Specific Objectives**  
By the end of this topic, the learner should be able to:
- a) prepare and use plant extracts as acid-base indicators
  - b) use indicators to identify acids and bases
  - c) state simple properties of acids and bases
  - d) name uses of acids and bases
  - e) state effects of acids on substances.
- 3.2.0 Content**
- 3.2.1 Acid/Base indicators**
- Plant - extracts as simple acid-base indicators
  - Common acid-base indicators, universal indicator and pH scale
  - Acidic, neutral and basic/alkaline solutions illustrated by the use of the following examples; water, aqueous solution/suspension; lemon juice, soap, wood ash, baking powder, anti-acid tablets and powders, toothpaste, sour milk, ammonia, ammonium sulphate, sodium chloride, sodium hydroxide, carbon(IV) oxide, sulphur(IV) oxide, sulphuric acid, hydrochloric acid, nitric acid, calcium hydroxide and magnesium oxide.
- 3.2.2 Simple properties of acids and bases:**
- Reaction of dilute acids with metals, metal oxides, hydroxides, carbonates and hydrogencarbonates
  - Effects of acids on substances
- 3.2.3 Applications**
- Uses of acids and bases
- 3.3.0 Projects**
- Investigate various plant extracts and use them as acid/base indicators

#### 4.0.0 AIR AND COMBUSTION (24 Lessons)

##### 4.1.0 Specific Objectives

By the end of this topic, the learner should be able to:

- a) state the percentage composition of air by volume
- b) carry out simple experiments to show that oxygen is the active part of air
- c) determine the percentage of oxygen in air using suitable methods
- d) describe the combustion of specified elements in air and oxygen and name the products
- e) explain how liquefied air can be separated into its components by fractional distillation
- f) carry out experiments to investigate the conditions for rusting, and state the composition of rust
- g) state methods of preventing rusting
- h) prepare oxygen, investigate its properties and state its uses
- i) arrange some elements in order of their reactivity with oxygen using experimental data
- j) classify the products of burning elements in oxygen either as acidic or basic
- k) state pollution effects due to burning of substances in air
- l) state the uses of reactivity series.

##### 4.2.0 Content

##### 4.2.1 Composition of air

- Approximate percentage of nitrogen and oxygen in air by volume (mention of carbon dioxide and noble gases as other constituents of air)

- Quantitative determination of oxygen in air using copper, iron fillings and burning candle.
- Burning of substances in air; carbon, sulphur, phosphorus (CARE), sodium and copper
- Oxygen as an active part of air (mass changes involved)
- Fractional distillation of liquefied air
- Rusting: conditions, composition and prevention

##### 4.2.2 Oxygen

- Laboratory preparation of oxygen using 20 volume by volume (v/v) hydrogen peroxide with manganese(IV) oxide or reaction of sodium peroxide with water (relate methods of collection to the properties of the gas)
- Properties; physical and chemical
- Combustion of elements in oxygen (metals and non-metals)
- competition for combined oxygen illustrated by the reaction of magnesium with carbon(IV) oxide, lead(II) oxide and copper(II) oxide
- Mention atmospheric pollution due to burning in oxygen

##### 4.2.3 Reactivity Series

- order of reactivity of elements from reaction with oxygen: potassium, sodium, calcium, magnesium, aluminium, carbon, zinc, iron, lead and copper.  
(It is not possible to establish full series practically)
- Uses: oxy -acetylene in welding; life support functions

**4.2.4 Application**  
Extraction of metals (use the concept of reactivity series only)

**4.3.0 Projects**  
Determination of oxygen in water from different sources. Investigate industrial processes of large scale oxygen production (e.g. the British Oxygen Company (BOC) Kenya Limited).

## **5.0.0 WATER AND HYDROGEN (20 Lessons)**

**5.1.0 Specific Objectives**  
By the end of this topic, the learner should be able to:

- state sources of water
- describe an experiment to show water is a product of burning organic matter
- describe an experiment to show that water contains hydrogen
- state the products of reactions of cold water and steam with different metals
- list the order of reactivity of metals as obtained from metal-water reactions
- prepare hydrogen, investigate its properties and state its uses.
- define oxidation as oxygen gain and reduction as removal of oxygen
- explain metal oxide reactions with hydrogen in terms of reduction and oxidation.

### **5.2.0 Content**

#### **5.2.1 Water**

- Sources of water: Burning of organic matter e.g. burning candle in air (test for carbon(IV) oxide and water vapour using calcium

hydroxide and cobalt chloride paper or anhydrous copper(II) sulphate respectively)

- Water as an oxide of hydrogen.
- Reaction of sodium, calcium, magnesium with cold water and reaction of magnesium, zinc, iron with steam.

#### **5.2.2 Hydrogen**

- Laboratory preparation of hydrogen by reacting a metal with a dilute acid. (relate methods of collection to properties of the gas). Test for hydrogen
- Properties; physical and chemical
- Oxidation and reduction (oxygen gain and removal only) e.g. in metal oxide - hydrogen reaction.  
(Caution: experiments involving the burning of hydrogen gas are explosive).
- Uses (manufacture of margarine, rocket fuels, ammonia, hydrochloric acid, Oxy-hydrogen flame for welding and weather balloons.

#### **5.3.0 Project**

- Identification of common pollutants of water from local sources and suggesting their control