

## Unit 5 – Ch 10: Describing and Balancing Chemical Equations

### CHEMICAL REACTION:

➤ A substance ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) is *chemically* \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ substance(s) ( \_\_\_\_\_ ).

➤ **General Expression:**

**Arrow:**

○ Ex) \_\_\_\_\_

▪ Reactant “ + ” = \_\_\_\_\_

1) WORD EQUATION:       $\text{Fe}_{(s)} + \text{O}_{2(g)} \rightarrow \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

➤ How do we write this? →

➤ Another Chemical Equation: \_\_\_\_\_

○ Word Equation →

2) CHEMICAL EQUATION:

➤ Skelton Equation →

○ \_\_\_\_\_ indicate *relative* \_\_\_\_\_ of each atom.

▪ Equation is \_\_\_\_\_.

○ Ex) Skeleton Equation: \_\_\_\_\_

▪ Reactants: \_\_\_\_\_      Products: \_\_\_\_\_

LAW OF CONSERVATION OF MATTER (MASS):

➤ \_\_\_\_\_ of atoms of \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ of atoms of \_\_\_\_\_

○ Total \_\_\_\_\_ of reactants = Total \_\_\_\_\_ of products

## GUIDELINES & PATTERNS for Balancing Chemical Equations:

- **G1.** Ensure/Write **ALL** chemical \_\_\_\_\_ **CORRECTLY**.
- **G2.** Determine *initial* \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ *reactant(s)* and *product(s)*.
- **G3.** Balance using \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - \_\_\_\_\_ change the chemical formula's \_\_\_\_\_.
- **P4.** Balance \_\_\_\_\_ subscripts \_\_\_\_\_ (*except understood "1"*) with \_\_\_\_\_ coefficient.
- **P5.** Balance \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - **P5a.** Keep (*don't break apart*) all \_\_\_\_\_ polyatomics as \_\_\_\_\_ unit **IF** on \_\_\_\_\_ sides of chemical equation.
  - **P5b.** If \_\_\_\_\_ the same polyatomic, **MAY** break apart into \_\_\_\_\_ atoms.
- **G6. GENERALLY** balance \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ **LAST** (*often appears in multiple formulas on the same side of equation*).
- **G7.** \_\_\_\_\_ **RATIO: MUST** \_\_\_\_\_ **ALL** \_\_\_\_\_ **IF** possible.

## BALANCING CHEMICAL EQUATIONS PRACTICE:

