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Part 1: Building a Foundation

What is the fundamental principle of collision theory?

Hint: Think about what is necessary for particles to react.

- O Particles must collide with sufficient energy and correct orientation.
- O Reactions occur spontaneously without collisions.
- \bigcirc All collisions result in a reaction.
- O Reactions only occur at low temperatures.

Which of the following factors affect reaction rates according to collision theory?

Hint: Consider the variables that can change how often and how effectively particles collide.

- Concentration
- Temperature
- Color of reactants
- Surface area

Explain the role of activation energy in a chemical reaction.

Hint: Consider how energy is involved in breaking and forming bonds.

List two criteria that must be met for a collision to be successful in causing a reaction.

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Hint: Think about the conditions necessary for effective collisions.

1. Criteria 1

2. Criteria 2

Part 2: comprehension and Application

How does increasing the temperature affect the rate of a chemical reaction?

Hint: Consider the relationship between temperature and particle movement.

- It decreases the rate by reducing energy.
- \bigcirc It increases the rate by increasing the frequency and energy of collisions.
- It has no effect on the reaction rate.
- It only affects reactions with catalysts.

Which statements are true about catalysts in a reaction?

Hint: Think about the role of catalysts in chemical processes.

- They increase the activation energy.
- They provide an alternative pathway for the reaction.
- ☐ They are consumed in the reaction.
- ☐ They increase the reaction rate.

Describe how surface area influences the rate of a chemical reaction. Provide an example.

Hint: Consider how the physical state of reactants can affect their interactions.



If a reaction is not occurring at room temperature, what could be done to increase the likelihood of successful collisions?

Hint: Think about how to manipulate the conditions of the reaction.

- Decrease the concentration of reactants.
- \bigcirc Lower the temperature.
- \bigcirc Increase the surface area of the reactants.
- Remove the catalyst.

Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

Which of the following best describes the role of orientation in successful collisions?

Hint: Consider how the arrangement of molecules affects their interactions.

- Orientation has no effect on collision success.
- O Proper orientation ensures the reactive parts of molecules interact.
- Orientation only affects reactions at high temperatures.
- Orientation is only important for gaseous reactions.

Analyze the following scenarios and identify which would lead to an increased reaction rate:

Hint: Think about how each scenario affects the conditions of the reaction.

Increasing the temperature of the reactants.

- Decreasing the surface area of a solid reactant.
- Adding a catalyst to the reaction.
- Lower the concentration of reactants.

Analyze a potential energy diagram and explain how it illustrates the effect of a catalyst on activation energy.

Hint: Consider how the diagram represents energy changes during a reaction.



Which statement best evaluates the effect of a catalyst on a chemical reaction?

Hint: Think about the overall impact of a catalyst on the reaction process.

- A catalyst decreases the activation energy and increases the reaction rate.
- A catalyst increases the activation energy and decreases the reaction rate.
- A catalyst is consumed in the reaction, altering the products.
- \bigcirc A catalyst has no effect on the energy of the reactants or products.

Propose methods to increase the rate of a reaction based on collision theory principles:

Hint: Consider various strategies that can enhance reaction rates.

- □ Increase the temperature.
- Decrease the concentration of reactants.
- Use a catalyst.
- □ Increase the surface area of solid reactants.

Design an experiment to demonstrate the effect of temperature on reaction rate, incorporating the principles of collision theory. Include the hypothesis, materials, procedure, and expected results.

Hint: Think about how you would set up an experiment to test this relationship.

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