

# **THINGS YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO DO FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER IN ORDER TO DO STOICHIOMETRY**

- Know charges on ions from periodic table**
  - Based on the pattern of columns
    - 1A = +1      ▪ 3A = +3      ▪ 5A = -3      ▪ 7A = -1
    - 2A = +2      ▪ 4A = +/- 4      ▪ 6A = -2      ▪ 8A = no charge
- Know polyatomic ions and their charges**
  - The list is in your notebook! Memorize them!
- Write formulas for ionic and covalent compounds**
  - Ionic – cation and anion (usually metal and nonmetal) - cross over
  - Covalent – usually two nonmetals - use prefixes
- Identify the type of reaction when given the reactants**
  - Synthesis – combining things into fewer products than reactants
  - Decomposition – breaking things into more products than reactants
  - Combustion – hydrocarbon and water always makes carbon dioxide and water
  - Single Replacement – element and an ionic compound make a new element and a new compound
  - Double Replacement – two ionic compounds make two new ionic compounds
- Predict the products based on the patterns of the type of reaction**
  - Remember to cross over when making new ionic formulas – do not “steal subscripts!”
    - Take one of each ion with their charges, and cross over to find subscripts
  - Your formulas should always be neutral
- Balance a reaction**
  - Law of Conservation of Matter
    - We cannot create or destroy matter!
- Identify your “known – A” and your “unknown – B”**
- Write out a pathway**
  - Mole highway has all the pathways!
  - Remember – you won’t have access to your mole highway!
- Identify which conversion factor to use for each step of the pathway**
  - Mole highway has all the conversion factors!
  - Remember – you won’t have access to your mole highway!
  - Avogadro’s number never changes!
  - Molar mass number is based off the formula
  - Mole ratio is from the coefficients in the balanced equation
  - The number of atoms in a molecule is based on the formula of the molecule
- Calculate molar masses**
  - Using the formula of the compound and the periodic table
- Find mole ratio**
  - Based on coefficients from the balanced equation
    - Always ends up “moles B over moles A” so that your units cancel out correctly
- Set up dimensional analysis to do the steps your pathway laid out**
- Cancel your units to check your work**
  - Remember “one unit on the top cancels with one unit on the bottom”
- Use your calculator to get a numerical answer**
  - Don’t forget to use parenthesis to keep the denominator numbers on the denominator!
- Put units AND formula on your final answer**
  - A unit isn’t specific enough, you need to tell people which molecule it is too!