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CALVERT HOMESCHOOL™ CURRICULUM CATALOG

Chemistry



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Chemistry Course Overview

Chemistry is intended to provide a more in-depth study of matter and its interactions. In preceding years students should have developed an understanding for the macroscopic properties of substances and been introduced to the microstructure of substances. This chemistry course will expand upon that knowledge, further develop the microstructure of substances and teach the symbolic and mathematical world of formulas, equations, and symbols.

The major concepts covered are measurement in chemistry, atomic structure, chemical formulas and bonding, chemical reactions, stoichiometry, gases, chemical equilibrium, and organic chemistry. Students at this level should show development in their ability and understanding of scientific inquiry. The units contain experiments and projects that seek to develop a deeper conceptual meaning for the student and actively engage the student. The continued exposure of science concepts and scientific inquiry will serve to improve the student's skill and understanding.

Chemistry should be preceded by an Algebra I course and preceded or accompanied by an Algebra II course.

- **Measurement and Analysis:** Students will explore different types of laboratory measurements.
- **Starting the Investigation:** How to Identify Elements, Compounds, and Mixtures: Students will explore the chemical and physical properties of elements, compounds, and mixtures.
- **Exploring Laws for Gases and Conservation of Mass:** Students will explore the kinetic molecular theory, the gas laws and the conservation of mass.
- **The Discovery of Atoms:** Nature's Building Blocks: Students will describe the history and current atomic theory.
- **Molecular Structure:** Students will explore stoichiometry, chemical bonding, and polar properties.
- **Chemical Reactions, Rates and Equilibrium:** Students will observe chemical changes, reaction rates, and factors that affect equilibrium.
- **Equilibrium Systems:** Students will explore solutions and equilibrium systems.
- **Carbon Chemistry: Hydrocarbons:** Students will describe organic compounds and saturated and unsaturated hydrocarbons.
- **Carbon Chemistry: Functional Groups:** Students will explore and describe the functional groups in hydrocarbons.

Unit 1: Measurement and Analysis**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. Course Overview	14. Project: Measuring Length with Precision
	2. Scientific Method	15. Experiment: Masses*
	3. Lab Safety	16. Quiz 3: Measurement and Precision
	4. An Introduction to Chemistry and Metric Measurement	17. Observation and Hypothesizing
	5. Report: Metric System*	18. Learning to Make Useful and Detailed Observations*
	6. Quiz 1: Metric Conversions	19. Using Graphs to Analyze Data
	7. Showing Precision in Measurements	20. Project: Tutorial for Making a Scatter Plot Using an Electronic Spreadsheet Program*
	8. Using Significant Figures to Show the Reliability of Data	21. Quiz 4: Measurement to Graphs
	9. Using Scientific Notation with Significant Figures	22. Doing Chemistry Your Way: Find Your Future
	10. Quiz 2: Precision, Significant Figures, and Scientific Notation	23. Quiz 5: Chapter Review
	11. Measuring Volume in the Chemistry Laboratory	24. Special Project*
	12. Project: Practice in Measuring Metric Volumes	25. Test
	13. Measuring Mass in the Chemistry Laboratory	26. Alternate Test*
	27. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 2: Scientific Method**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. The Basic Ingredient: Chemical Elements	10. Quiz 2: Elements - Compounds and Chemical Changes
	2. Project: Researching Branches of Chemistry	11. Report: Density*
	3. Quiz 1: Elements- Chemical and Physical Properties	12. Identifying Different Types of Mixtures
	4. Using Chemical and Physical Properties to Identify Substances	13. Experiment: Using the Tyndall Effect to Identify Colloids
	5. Phase Changes	14. Quiz 3: Chapter Review
	6. Experiment: Observation of a Phase Change	15. Special Project*
	7. Experiment: Salt and Sand*	16. Test
	8. Inorganic Nomenclature	17. Alternate Test*
	9. Creating Compounds: Investigating Chemical Changes	18. Glossary and Credits

Unit 3: Exploring Laws for Gases and Conservation of Mass**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. Nothing Stays Put: The Basis for Diffusion and Pressure	12. Combined Gas Law
	2. Gases and Kinetic Molecular Theory	13. Quiz 4: Diffusion to Combined Gas Law
	3. Project: Graphing Kinetic Energy*	14. Counting Gas Particles: The Measure of the Mole
	4. Quiz 1: Diffusion and Kinetic Molecular Theory	15. How Big Is a Mole? Avogadro's Number
	5. The Relationship Between Pressure and Volume in Gases (Boyle's Law)	16. Ideal Gas Law
	6. Quiz 2: Diffusion to P-V Relationships in Gases	17. Demonstrating Conservation of Mass with Balanced Equations
	7. The Relationship Between Temperature and Volume in Gases (Charles's Law)	18. Essay: Biography*
	8. Experiment: Finding Absolute Zero Experimentally	19. Examining the Use of Certain Gases as Propellants*
	9. Project: Charles's Law*	20. Quiz 5: Chapter Review
	10. Project: Absolute Zero - Real or Theoretical?*	21. Special Project *
	11. Quiz 3: Diffusion to V-T Relationships in Gases	22. Test
		23. Alternate Test*
		24. Glossary and Credits

Unit 4: The Discovery of Atoms: Nature's Building Blocks**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. The Golden Years of Chemistry	11. Charging Up: Ionization of Atoms
	2. Experiment: Physical Properties of Elements*	12. Quiz 4: Golden Years to Ionization
	3. Experiment: Chemical Properties of Some Metals*	13. A Closer Look Inside: Nuclear Reactions
	4. Masters of Classic Atomic Theory	14. Report: Fission Reactors*
	5. Quiz 1: Golden Years to Masters	15. Quiz 5: Chapter Review
	6. Designing an Organizational Map: The Periodic Table	16. Special Project*
	7. Quiz 2: Golden Years to Periodic Table	17. Project: Types of Energy
	8. Electron Configuration	18. Test
	9. Light Spectra and Excited States	19. Alternate Test*
	10. Quiz 3: Golden Years to Bohr Model	20. Glossary and Credits

Unit 5: Molecular Structure**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. Chemical Accounting: Stoichiometry	10. Intermolecular Bonding
	2. Valence Structure	11. Project: Bonding of Water
	3. Quiz 1: Stoichiometry to Valences	12. Bonding Energy
	4. Determining Chemical Formulas	13. Experiment: Demonstrating Polar Properties
	5. Balancing Equations	14. Quiz 3: Chapter Review
	6. Electron Availability: Prelude to Bonding	15. Special Project*
	7. Quiz 2: Stoichiometry to Prelude to Bonding	16. Test
	8. Types of Chemical Bonds	17. Alternate Test*
	9. Polar Covalent Molecules and Dot Structures	18. Glossary and Credits

Unit 6: Semester Review and Exam**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. Review	3. Alternate Exam- Form A*
	2. Exam	4. Alternate Exam- Form B*

Unit 7: Chemical Reactions, Rates, and Equilibrium**Assignments**

Chemistry	1. Evidence for Chemical Change	15. Experiment: Effect of Solution Concentration on Reaction Rate
	2. Experiment: Observing Chemical Changes	16. Factors that Affect Reaction Rate: Temperature, Catalysts, Concentration of Reactants
	3. Reaction Types (1) Combination and Decomposition	17. Quiz 3: Chemical Change to Reaction Rate
	4. Reaction Types (2) Single and Double Displacement	18. Reaction Equilibria and Equilibrium Constants
	5. Reaction Types (3) Combustion and Neutralization	19. Activity: Exploring Factors that Affect Equilibrium
	6. Experiment: Chemical Reactions*	20. Conditions Affecting Equilibrium
	7. Experiment: Ammonium Nitrate*	21. Project: Research a Chemist
	8. Quiz 1: Chemical Reactions	22. Quiz 4: Chapter Review
	9. Enthalpy of Reaction	23. Special Project*
	10. Heat Transfer	24. Test
	11. Calorimetry	25. Alternate Test*
	12. Using Gibbs Free Energy to Predict Spontaneous Reactions	26. Glossary and Credits
	13. Quiz 2: Chemical Change to Entropy and Gibbs Free	
	14. Factors that Affect Reaction Rates: Solution Concentration	

Unit 8: Equilibrium Systems		
Assignments		
Chemistry	1. Chemist's Toolbox	13. pH Scale
	2. Solutions	14. Titration of Acids and Bases
	3. Solution Concentration: Molarity	15. Quiz 3: Toolbox to Titration
	4. Electrical Nature of Solutions	16. Redox Equilibria
	5. Solubility	17. Redox and Oxidation Potentials
	6. Quiz 1: Toolbox to Solubility	18. Activity: Solution Concentration vs. Conductivity
	7. The Dissolving Process	19. pH Calculations
	8. Experiment: Solubility Trends	20. Quiz 4: Chapter Review
	9. The Solubility Constant	21. Special Project*
	10. Quiz 2: Toolbox to Solubility Constant	22. Test
	11. Acid-Base Equilibria	23. Alternate Test*
	12. Experiment: Acid Strength*	24. Glossary and Credits

Unit 9: Carbon Chemistry: Hydrocarbons		
Assignments		
Chemistry	1. Organic Compounds	9. Alkanes: Saturated Hydrocarbons
	2. Sources of Organic Compounds	10. Unsaturated Hydrocarbons
	3. Experiment: Volatility*	11. Quiz 3: Hydrogen and Carbon
	4. Quiz 1: Carbon Compounds	12. Special Project*
	5. A Closer Look at the Carbon Atom	13. Test
	6. Bonding in Organic Compounds	14. Alternate Test*
	7. Quiz 2: Organic Compounds to Bonding	15. Glossary and Credits
	8. Organic Nomenclature	

Unit 10: Carbon Chemistry: Functional Groups		
Assignments		
Chemistry	1. Common Reactions of Saturated Hydrocarbons	9. Nitrogen Functional Groups
	2. Reactions of Unsaturated Hydrocarbons	10. Proteins and Amino Acids
	3. Quiz 1: Reactions of Saturated and Unsaturated Hydrocarbons	11. Application of Organic Chemistry
	4. Alcohols	12. Experiment: Preparation of a Polymer
	5. Aldehydes, Acids, and Ketones	13. Quiz 3: Chapter Review
	6. Esters	14. Special Project*
	7. Project: Carbon Allotropes	15. Test
	8. Quiz 2: Reactions of Saturated and Unsaturated Hydrocarbons to Esters	16. Alternate Test*
	17. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 11: Chemistry Review	
Chemistry	Assignments
	1. Measurement and Analysis
	2. Scientific Analysis and Significant Figures
	3. Elements, Compounds, and Mixtures
	4. Gases and Moles
	5. Quiz 1: Measurement to Gasses and Moles
	6. Atomic Structure and Nuclear Reactions
	7. The Periodic Law
	8. Molecular Structure
	9. Chemical Reactions, Rates, and Equilibrium
	10. Reaction Dynamics
11. Quiz 2: Measurement to Reaction Dynamics	
12. Solutions	
13. Solubility Equilibrium	
14. Neutralization	
15. Organic Compounds	
16. Hydrocarbon Chemistry	
17. Quiz 3: Chapter Review	
18. Special Project*	
19. Test	
20. Alternate Test*	
21. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 12: Semester Review and Exam	
Chemistry	Assignments
	1. Review
	2. Exam
3. Alternate Exam- Form A*	
4. Alternate Exam- Form B*	

Unit 13: Final Exam	
Chemistry	Assignments
	1. Exam
	2. Alternate Exam- Form A*
3. Alternate Exam- Form B*	

(*) Indicates alternative assignment