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SET 4 –

1. A buffer solution is a solution which –
 - a) Resists change in pH
 - b) Increases pH
 - c) Decreases pH
 - d) Has very high pH
2. Buffer solution consists of –
 - a) Weak acid and its salt with strong base
 - b) Strong acid and strong base
 - c) Weak base and strong acid
 - d) Neutral solution
3. Example of acidic buffer –
 - a) $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$
 - b) $\text{NH}_4\text{OH} + \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
 - c) $\text{NaOH} + \text{HCl}$
 - d) $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{NaHCO}_3$
4. Example of basic buffer –
 - a) $\text{NH}_4\text{OH} + \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
 - b) $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$
 - c) $\text{HCl} + \text{NaCl}$
 - d) $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 + \text{NaHCO}_3$
5. The pH of a buffer solution is given by –
 - a) Henderson–Hasselbalch equation
 - b) van't Hoff equation
 - c) Raoult's law
 - d) Nernst equation
6. Henderson–Hasselbalch equation for acidic buffer is –
 - a) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + \log ([\text{salt}]/[\text{acid}])$
 - b) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a - \log ([\text{salt}]/[\text{acid}])$
 - c) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + [\text{acid}]/[\text{salt}]$
 - d) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a - [\text{acid}]/[\text{salt}]$
7. The equation for basic buffer is –
 - a) $\text{pOH} = \text{pK}_b + \log ([\text{salt}]/[\text{base}])$
 - b) $\text{pOH} = \text{pK}_b - \log ([\text{salt}]/[\text{base}])$
 - c) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_b + \log ([\text{base}]/[\text{salt}])$
 - d) None
8. The pH of $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$ buffer depends on –
 - a) K_a of acid and ratio of salt/acid

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- b) Temperature only
 - c) Concentration only
 - d) Volume of solution
9. Buffer capacity is –
- a) The ability to resist pH change
 - b) Ability to neutralise acid only
 - c) Ability to neutralise base only
 - d) None
10. Buffer capacity depends on –
- a) Concentration of acid and salt
 - b) pH only
 - c) Temperature only
 - d) None
11. Blood is an example of –
- a) Natural buffer
 - b) Acidic buffer
 - c) Basic buffer
 - d) None
12. The pH of human blood is nearly –
- a) 7.4
 - b) 6.4
 - c) 5.4
 - d) 8.4
13. Buffer in blood is mainly –
- a) $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3/\text{HCO}_3^-$ system
 - b) $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}/\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$
 - c) $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}/\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
 - d) $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$
14. Buffer used in stomach acidity –
- a) $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2 / \text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$
 - b) NaCl / HCl
 - c) $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} / \text{CH}_3\text{COONa}$
 - d) $\text{NH}_4\text{OH} / \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
15. The pH of a buffer solution remains constant on –
- a) Dilution
 - b) Addition of small acid or base
 - c) Both (a) and (b)
 - d) None

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16. Buffer action is maximum when –
- $[\text{Salt}] = [\text{Acid}]$
 - $[\text{Salt}] \gg [\text{Acid}]$
 - $[\text{Acid}] \gg [\text{Salt}]$
 - None
17. When $[\text{Salt}] = [\text{Acid}]$, then –
- $\text{pH} = \text{pKa}$
 - $\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2}\text{pKa}$
 - $\text{pH} = 2\text{pKa}$
 - $\text{pH} = 0$
18. The pH of a buffer changes significantly if –
- Acid or base added in large quantity
 - Slightly diluted
 - Heated
 - None
19. Hydrolysis is –
- Reaction of salt with water
 - Reaction of acid with base
 - Neutralisation
 - None
20. Salts formed from weak acid and strong base give –
- Basic solution
 - Acidic solution
 - Neutral solution
 - None
21. Example of such a salt –
- CH_3COONa
 - NaCl
 - NH_4Cl
 - NaNO_3
22. Salts formed from strong acid and weak base give –
- Acidic solution
 - Basic solution
 - Neutral solution
 - None
23. Example of such a salt –
- NH_4Cl
 - CH_3COONa
 - Na_2CO_3

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d) K_2SO_4

24. Salt of strong acid and strong base is –

- a) Neutral
- b) Acidic
- c) Basic
- d) Amphoteric

25. Example of neutral salt –

- a) NaCl
- b) NH_4Cl
- c) CH_3COONa
- d) Na_2CO_3

26. Hydrolysis constant K_h =

- a) $K_w / (K_a \text{ or } K_b)$
- b) $K_a \times K_b$
- c) $1 / K_a$
- d) K_a / K_b

27. For salt of weak acid and strong base,

- a) $K_h = K_w / K_a$
- b) $K_h = K_a / K_w$
- c) $K_h = K_w \times K_a$
- d) $K_h = 1 / K_w$

28. For salt of weak base and strong acid,

- a) $K_h = K_w / K_b$
- b) $K_h = K_b / K_w$
- c) $K_h = K_a \times K_w$
- d) None

29. Degree of hydrolysis (h) =

- a) $\sqrt{(K_h / C)}$
- b) $\sqrt{(C / K_h)}$
- c) $K_h \times C$
- d) K_h / C

30. pH of salt solution =

- a) $7 + \frac{1}{2}(pK_a + \log C)$
- b) $7 + \frac{1}{2}(pK_b + \log C)$
- c) $7 \pm \frac{1}{2}pK_a \pm \frac{1}{2}pK_b$
- d) Depends on salt type

31. For NH_4Cl (weak base + strong acid), solution is –

- a) Acidic
- b) Basic

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- c) Neutral
 - d) Amphoteric
32. For CH_3COONa (weak acid + strong base), solution is –
- a) Basic
 - b) Acidic
 - c) Neutral
 - d) Amphoteric
33. For NaCl (strong acid + strong base), solution is –
- a) Neutral
 - b) Acidic
 - c) Basic
 - d) Amphoteric
34. The pH of 0.1 M NH_4Cl (K_b of $\text{NH}_3 = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$) is approximately –
- a) 5.1
 - b) 9.2
 - c) 7
 - d) 6.2
35. The pH of 0.1 M CH_3COONa ($K_a = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}$) \approx
- a) 8.9
 - b) 7
 - c) 5.1
 - d) 6.2
36. When equal volumes of acid and base buffer are mixed, pH –
- a) Remains unchanged
 - b) Becomes 7
 - c) Increases
 - d) Decreases
37. The addition of small acid to buffer –
- a) Slightly decreases pH
 - b) Greatly decreases pH
 - c) Increases pH
 - d) No effect
38. The addition of small base to buffer –
- a) Slightly increases pH
 - b) Greatly increases pH
 - c) Decreases pH
 - d) None
39. In basic buffer $\text{NH}_4\text{OH} + \text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$, pH increases on addition of –
- a) NH_4OH

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- b) NH_4Cl
 - c) HCl
 - d) None
40. pH of a solution containing equal CH_3COOH and CH_3COONa is –
- a) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a$
 - b) $\text{pH} = \frac{1}{2}\text{pK}_a$
 - c) $\text{pH} = 2\text{pK}_a$
 - d) None
41. Hydrolysis constant depends on –
- a) Temperature
 - b) Concentration
 - c) Both
 - d) None
42. The product of K_a and K_b of conjugate acid–base pair equals –
- a) K_w
 - b) K_a^2
 - c) K_b^2
 - d) 1
43. Buffer is most effective when –
- a) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a$
 - b) $\text{pH} = 7$
 - c) $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_w$
 - d) None
44. The capacity of buffer is higher when –
- a) Both components are concentrated
 - b) Both are dilute
 - c) Only acid concentrated
 - d) Only salt concentrated
45. In an acidic buffer, if acid concentration increases –
- a) pH decreases
 - b) pH increases
 - c) No change
 - d) None
46. In basic buffer, if salt concentration increases –
- a) pH decreases
 - b) pH increases
 - c) No change
 - d) None

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47. Buffer maintains pH by –
a) Neutralising added acid/base
b) Absorbing ions
c) Forming precipitate
d) None
48. Buffer solutions are used in –
a) Biological systems
b) Analytical chemistry
c) Industrial processes
d) All of these
49. Salts of weak acids and weak bases are –
a) Hydrolysed completely
b) Not hydrolysed
c) Partially ionised
d) None
50. The pH of salt of weak acid and weak base depends on –
a) K_a and K_b both
b) Only K_a
c) Only K_b
d) None
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Answer Key – SET 4

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11-a 12-a 13-a 14-a 15-c 16-a 17-a 18-a 19-a 20-a
21-a 22-a 23-a 24-a 25-a 26-a 27-a 28-a 29-a 30-d
31-a 32-a 33-a 34-a 35-a 36-a 37-a 38-a 39-a 40-a
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