

Unit/Concept Title: **Atoms, Arrangement of Electrons, Periodic Law & Nuclear Chemistry**

Estimated Time (When) / Resource: **13 blocks**

Modern Chemistry Chapters 3,4,5 & 21

Standard(s): Physical Science

Prepared Graduates:

- 1. Students can use the full range of science and engineering practices to make sense of natural phenomena and solve problems that require understanding structure, properties and interactions of matter.

Grade Level Expectation:

- 2. Chemical processes, their rates, their outcomes, and whether or not energy is stored or released can be understood in terms of collisions of molecules, rearrangement of atoms, and changes in energy as determined by properties of elements involved.

The **highlighted** evidence outcomes are the priority for all students, serving as the essential concepts and skills. Evidence outcomes in the 2020 Colorado Academic Standards for Science were intentionally designed to be priority standards representing the full breadth of the curriculum.

Evidence Outcomes: Students Can	Academic Context and Connections
<p>2a. Construct and revise an explanation for the outcome of a simple chemical reaction based on the outermost electron states of atoms, trends in the periodic table, and knowledge of the patterns of chemical properties. (HS-PS1-2) <i>(Clarification Statement: Examples of chemical reactions could include the reaction of sodium and chlorine, of carbon and oxygen, or of carbon and hydrogen.) (Boundary Statement: Limited to chemical reactions involving main group elements and combustion reactions).</i></p> <p>2b. Develop a model to illustrate that the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy. (HS-PS1-4) <i>(Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the idea that a chemical reaction is a system that affects the energy change. Examples of models could include molecular-level</i></p>	<p>Colorado Essential Skills and Science and Engineering Practices:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Construct and revise an explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from a variety of sources (including students' own investigations, models, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future. Apply scientific principles and evidence to provide an explanation of phenomena and solve design problems, taking into account possible unanticipated effects. Refine a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and trade-off considerations. (Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions) (Civic/Interpersonal: Civic Engagement) 2. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system (Developing

drawings and diagrams of reactions, graphs showing the relative energies of reactants and products, and representations showing energy is conserved.) (Boundary Statement: Does not include calculating the total bond energy changes during a chemical reaction from the bond energies of reactants and products.)

- 2c. Apply scientific principles and evidence to provide an explanation about the effects of changing the temperature or concentration of the reacting particles on the rate at which a reaction occurs. **(HS-PS1-5)** *(Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on student reasoning that focuses on the number and energy of collisions between molecules.) (Boundary Statement: Limited to simple reactions in which there are only two reactants; evidence from temperature, concentration, and rate data; and qualitative relationships between rate and temperature.)*
- 2d. Refine the design of a chemical system by specifying a change in conditions that would produce increased amounts of products at equilibrium. **(HS-PS1-6)** *(Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the application of Le Chatlier's Principle and on refining designs of chemical reaction systems, including descriptions of the connection between changes made at the macroscopic level and what happens at the molecular level. Examples of designs could include different ways to increase product formation including adding reactants or removing products.) (Boundary Statement: Limited to specifying the change in only one variable at a time. Does not include calculating equilibrium constants and concentrations.)*
- 2e. Use mathematical representations to support the claim that atoms, and therefore mass, are conserved during a chemical reaction. **(HS-PS1-7)** *(Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on using mathematical ideas to communicate the proportional relationships*

and Using Models) (Personal: Personal responsibility)

3. Use mathematical representations of phenomena to support claims (Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking) (Entrepreneurial: Critical thinking/Problem solving)

Elaboration on the GLE:

1. Students can answer the questions: How do substances combine or change (react) to make new substances? How does one characterize and explain these reactions and make predictions about them?
2. PS1:B Chemical Reactions: Chemical processes, their rates, and whether or not energy is stored or released can be understood in terms of the collisions of molecules and the rearrangements of atoms into new molecules, with consequent changes in the sum of all bond energies in the set of molecules that are matched by changes in kinetic energy. In many situations, a dynamic and condition-dependent balance between a reaction and the reverse reaction determines the numbers of all types of molecules present. The fact that atoms are conserved, together with knowledge of the chemical properties of the elements involved, can be used to describe and predict chemical reactions.

Cross Cutting Concepts:

1. Patterns: Different patterns may be observed at each of the scales at which a system is studied and can provide evidence for causality in explanations of phenomena.
2. Energy and Matter: Changes of energy and matter in a system can be described in terms of energy and matter flows into, out of, and within that system.
3. Stability and Change: Much of science deals with constructing explanations of how things change and how they remain stable.
4. Connections to Nature of Science: Scientific Knowledge Assumes an

between masses of atoms in the reactants and the products, and the translation of these relationships to the macroscopic scale using the mole as the conversion from the atomic to the macroscopic scale. Emphasis is on assessing students' use of mathematical thinking and not on memorization and rote application of problem-solving techniques.) (Boundary Statement: Does not include complex chemical reactions or calculations involving limiting and excess reactants.)

Order and Consistency in Natural Systems. Science assumes the universe is a vast single system in which basic laws are consistent.

Teacher Notes

Highlighted Numbers in the Evidence Outcomes (**HS-PS3-1**) above are the NGSS Correlation to the Colorado Academic Science Standards

Instructional Resources

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