

Honors Chemistry Syllabus 2009–2010^{QAS}

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Textbook: Introductory Chemistry / A Foundation by Zumdahl (6th edition)

Theme / Mega-Topic	Topic	Lab	Chapter
Math Building	Scientific notation & calculator usage Common units Uncertainty in measurements Significant figures Conversion & equations Algebraic manipulations		2
Chemistry Composition	Matter Elements & compounds & mixtures & molecules+ Atom & subatomic structures Isotopes The periodic table & states of elements Ions & charges & periodic table		3&4
Nomenclature & Chemical Equations	Compounds with a metal and a nonmetal Compounds with 2 nonmetals Compounds with polyatomic ions Acids & other special molecules		6
Typing & Balancing Equations	Introduction Typing & classification Balancing		6&7
Aqueous Chemistry & Net Ionic Equation	Solubility rules Net ionic equation Activity series		7
Chemical Computation	Avogadro's # & atomic mass & mole & molar mass conversions % composition of a compound empirical & molecular calculation		8
Stoichiometry: Solid & Aqueous	Mole ratio Mass & mole conversion Limited reactants Percentage yield Molarity Dilution & solution mixture Ion rankings in a reaction Titration: neutralization & REDOX Mass percent & normality		9&14

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Acids & Base	pH scale pH & pOH computation Buffer solution		15
Atomic Theory & The Periodic Trends	Modern theories Electron configuration Periodic trends		10
Chemical Bonding & Intermolecular Forces	Ionic & covalent Polarity & dipole moments Lewis dot structure VAEPR model & molecular shapes Intermolecular forces in solids & liquids		11&13
Gas Law & Stoichiometry	Kinetic molecule theory The ideal gas law & its derivatives Gas stoichiometry		12
Equilibrium	Definition & condition Equilibrium constant K: conversion & heterogeneity K manipulation in multiple equilibria Le Chatelier's Principle Solubility equilibria		16
Electrochemistry	REDOX reaction Electrolysis Battery Corrosion		17
Organic Chemistry	Alkane series: naming & isomerism Alkenes, alkynes & aromatic compounds Functional groups Alcohols, aldehydes & ketones Carboxylic acids & esters Polymers		19
Biochemistry	Carbohydrates & food Proteins & level of organizations Lipids & functions Nucleic acids & inheritance		20
Nuclear Chemistry	Types of radioactive decays Nuclear transformations & equations Half-life & carbon dating Nuclear energy: fission & fusion		18