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9 Some acids such as hydrochloric acid are described as strong acids. Some acids such as ethanoic acid are described as weak acids.

(a) (i) Explain the difference between a strong acid and a weak acid.

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(ii) Give a reason why adding hydroxide ions to an acid solution leads to an increase in pH.

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(b) The salt zinc nitrate can be made by reacting zinc oxide, ZnO, with dilute nitric acid, HNO₃.

Write the balanced equation for this reaction.

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(c) 50 cm³ of potassium hydroxide solution of concentration 40 g dm⁻³ is needed for an experiment.

Calculate the mass of potassium hydroxide that must be dissolved in water to make 50 cm³ of solution of this concentration.

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mass of potassium hydroxide = g

* (d) Salts of metals can be made by reacting one of the metal's compounds with the appropriate acid.

Plan an experiment to prepare pure, dry crystals of magnesium sulfate, MgSO_4 , by reacting a suitable magnesium compound with a suitable acid.

You may use equations if you wish.

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Acids

- 5 (a) Magnesium carbonate reacts with dilute nitric acid.

Give the names of the products formed in this reaction.

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- (b) Zinc oxide, ZnO , reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid to form zinc chloride, ZnCl_2 , and water.

- (i) Complete the sentence by putting a cross (☒) in the box next to your answer.

This reaction is an example of

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- A combustion
- B thermal decomposition
- C neutralisation
- D oxidation

- (ii) Write the balanced equation for the reaction between zinc oxide and dilute hydrochloric acid.

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