

2.5 C5 Covalent

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Science 9- Chemistry Topic 2.5 - Concept 5: Names and formulas of covalent compounds reflect their molecular structure. (Read pages 168-171)

Binary covalent compound – a compound made up of two elements, which are non-metal ^{mon oxide}.

e.g. SF_6 = Sulfur hexafluoride and CO = Carbon monoxide

carbon dioxide = C_2O_2 and hydrogen peroxide = H_2O_2
 special case!!

Prefixes used to name binary covalent compounds.

Prefix	Number	Prefix	Number
mono	1	hexa	6
di	2	hepta	7
tri	3	octa	8
tetra	4	Nona	9
penta	5	deca	10

Naming Compounds

Steps	CO	PI_3	N_2O_4
1. Name the <u>leftmost</u> element in the formula first.	Carbon	Phosphorus	di Nitrogen
2. Name the second element, making sure the name ends with the suffix - <u>ide</u> .	oxide	Iodide	tetraOxide
3. Add a <u>prefix</u> to each element's name to indicate the number of atoms of each element in a molecule of the compound. *If the <u>first element</u> would get the prefix <u>mono</u> , do <u>not</u> include that prefix.	Carbon monoxide	Phosphorus triiodide	di nitrogen tetraoxide

Writing Formulas

Steps	$\text{Diphosphorus pentoxide}$	Nitrogen monoxide
1. Write the element symbols in the order they appear in the name.	P O	N O
2. Add <u>subscript</u> based on the prefixes used in the name.	P_2O_5	NO

*Do you need to balance their charges? no you don't

Exceptions

– Compounds starts with Hydrogen.

E.g. HCl = Hydrogen Chloride not hydrogen monochloride

H_2S = Hydrogen Sulfide not dihydrogen monosulfide

– Compounds containing Hydrogen and Carbon are Oxygen.

e.g. C_2H_6 = Ethane; $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$ = Ethanol; $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ = Glucose

* H_2O = _____
 NH_3 = _____

Practice Problems: Chemical Formula Writing

Chemical Name	Name Describes	Chemical formula
nitrogen monoxide	1 nitrogen atom 1 oxygen atom	NO
		SiO ₂
boron monoxide		
di phosphorus penta oxide	2 Phosphorus 5 Oxide	<u>P</u> ₂ <u>O</u> ₅
tellurium dibromide		
		CO ₂
dinitrogen tetraoxide		
		SeF ₂
carbon disulfide		
		AsBr ₄
arsenic trioxide		
		S ₂ O ₅
sulfur dioxide		
		CS ₂
xenon trioxide		
		BrO ₂
tetra-arsenic decaoxide		
		BN
chlorine monoxide		
		XeF ₄
dinitrogen monoxide		
		OF ₂
sulfur hexachloride		
		PCl ₅