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## CHAPTER 18 STUDY GUIDE FOR CONTENT MASTERY

### Section 18.2 Factors Affecting Chemical Equilibrium

*In your textbook, read about Le Châtelier's Principle.*

Answer the following questions.

1. What does Le Châtelier's Principle say?  
If a stress is applied to a system at equilibrium, the system shifts in the direction that relieves the stress.
2. What are three kinds of stresses that can be placed on a system?  
Answers may vary, but should include changes in concentration, volume, and temperature. Some students may list pressure in place of volume.

For each reaction below, state the direction, left or right, in which the equilibrium will shift when the indicated substance is added. Identify one other way in which the reaction could be shifted in the same direction you indicated. (Hint: There may be more than one way to do this.)

3. Reaction:  $N_2(g) + 3H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2NH_3(g)$ ;  $NH_3$  added  
left; remove  $N_2$  or  $H_2$
4. Reaction:  $H_2(g) + I_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HI(g)$ ;  $H_2$  added  
right; add  $I_2$  or remove  $HI$
5. Reaction:  $CO(g) + H_2O \rightleftharpoons CO_2(g) + H_2(g)$ ;  $H_2O$  added  
right; add  $CO$  or remove  $CO_2$  or  $H_2$
6. Reaction:  $2SO_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2SO_3(g)$ ;  $SO_3$  added  
left; remove  $SO_2$  or  $O_2$
7. Reaction:  $2SO_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2SO_3(g)$ ;  $SO_2$  added  
right; remove  $SO_3$
8. Reaction:  $2NCl_3(g) \rightleftharpoons N_2(g) + 3Cl_2(g)$ ;  $NCl_3$  added  
right; remove  $N_2$  or  $Cl_2$

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### Section 18.2 continued

*In your textbook, read about factors affecting chemical equilibrium.*

Use each of the terms below just once to complete the passage.

right	exothermic	increase	stress	catalyst	energy
smallest	change	reverse	constant	forward	

When you decrease the volume of a reaction vessel, you (9) increase

the pressure. This causes a reaction at equilibrium to shift to the side with the

(10) smallest number of moles. If the reaction has an equal number of

moles of reactants and products, changing the volume of the reaction vessel causes no

(11) change in the equilibrium.

Changing the temperature of a reaction at equilibrium alters both the equilibrium

(12) constant and the equilibrium position. When a reaction is

(13) exothermic, which means it releases energy, lowering the temperature

shifts the equilibrium to the (14) right because the forward reaction

liberates heat and removes the (15) stress.

A (16) catalyst speeds up a reaction by lowering the

(17) energy requirements for the reaction, but it does so equally in both the

(18) forward and the (19) reverse directions. The reaction

will reach equilibrium more quickly, but with no change in the amount of product formed.

For each reaction below, indicate in which direction the equilibrium shifts when the stated stress is applied to the system. Write *R* if the reaction shifts to the right, *L* if it shifts to the left, or *NC* if there is no change.

Reaction	Stress
<u>L</u> 20. $PCl_5(g) \rightleftharpoons PCl_3(g) + Cl_2(g)$ + heat	temperature increase
<u>NC</u> 21. $CO(g) + Fe_3O_4(s) \rightleftharpoons CO_2(g) + 3FeO(s)$	volume increase
<u>R</u> 22. $C_2H_2(g) + H_2O(g) \rightleftharpoons CH_3CHO(g)$ + heat	temperature decrease
<u>R</u> 23. $2NO(g) + H_2(g) \rightleftharpoons N_2O(g) + H_2O(g)$ + heat	volume decrease
<u>L</u> 24. Heat + $H_2(g) + I_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HI(g)$	temperature decrease
<u>NC</u> 25. $H_2(g) + Cl_2(g) \rightleftharpoons 2HCl(g)$ + heat	volume decrease

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