

# AP BIO- UNIT 1: CHEMICAL CONTEXT OF LIFE Cheat Sheet

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#### **DEFINTIONS**

**MATTER:** anything that takes up space and has mass... it is made up of elements!!

**ELEMENT:** substance that cannot be broken down into other substances by chemical reactions

**COMPOUND:** substance that consists of 2 or more elements in a fixed ratio

### **SHAPE AND FUNCTION**

- molecular function related to its shape
- -shape is determined by bond angles
- shape is used in how molecules recognize and relate to each other
- INDUCED FIT lock and key model
- allows for molecular mimics

#### **CHEMICAL REACTIONS**

- the making & breaking of bonds that leads to changes in the composition of matter
- chemical reactions change reactants into products while conserving matter
- most are reversible

## **EXAMPLE**

2H2 + O2= 2H20 reactants= products

# **EMERGENT PROPERTIES**

- \* sodium (Na) is a metal
- \* chlorine (CI) is a poisonous gas
- \* combined= NaCl= table salt

#### **CHEMICAL BONDING**

## **IONIC BONDS**

- transfer of electrons
- -forms + and ions
- -weak bond formed because of their opposite charges
- ionic compounds are called salts
- environment affects the strength of ionic bonds

#### **CHEMICAL BONDING**

#### **HYDROGEN BONDS**

- weak chemical bond
- -partially +H atom in water molecule is attracted to the partially -O in another
- can occur wherever an -OH exists in a larger molecule

## **EQUILIBRIUM**

- chemical equilibrium is reached when the forward and reverse reaction rates are

## **EQUAL**

5 to 5 or 10 to 10

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## LIFE NEEDED ELEMENTS

#### **CHNOPS**

96% = CHON

4%= SPKCa

#### **CHEMICAL BONDING**

## **COVALENT BONDS**

- sharing electrons

-strong = both atoms holding onto

bond electrons

- forms molecules

-double 2 atoms can share more covalent than one pair of electrons bonds

"double and triple bonds"

## POLAR COVALENT BONDS

- electrons are not shared equally
- electronegativity
- -oxygen is one of the most electronegative of the 92 elements

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