

## **CONCEPT: pH AND pOH OF COMPOUNDS**

To deal with incredibly small concentration values of  $[H^+]$  and  $[OH^-]$  we can use the pH scale.

- Under normal conditions, the pH scale operates within the range of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ .

By taking the  $-\log$  of  $[H^+]$  and  $[OH^-]$  we can find pH and pOH.

$$pH = -\log[H^+]$$

$$pOH = -\log[OH^-]$$

$$p = -\log$$

By recognizing the relationship between  $[H^+]$  and  $[OH^-]$  with pH and pOH we can create new formula relationships.

In general as the pH value increases there is a \_\_\_\_\_  $[H^+]$  & \_\_\_\_\_  $[OH^-]$ .

- A species with a pH equal to 7 is classified as \_\_\_\_\_ :  $[H^+]$  \_\_\_\_\_  $1.0 \times 10^{-7} M$  \_\_\_\_\_  $[OH^-]$ .
- A species with a pH greater than 7 is classified as \_\_\_\_\_ :  $[H^+]$  \_\_\_\_\_  $1.0 \times 10^{-7} M$  \_\_\_\_\_  $[OH^-]$ .
- A species with a pH less than 7 is classified \_\_\_\_\_ :  $[H^+]$  \_\_\_\_\_  $1.0 \times 10^{-7} M$  \_\_\_\_\_  $[OH^-]$ .

By using  $-\log$  with the equilibrium expression for water a relationship between pH and pOH can be created.

$$pH + pOH = 14$$

**EXAMPLE:** What is the hydroxide ion and hydronium ion concentration of a solution with a pH equal to 5.88?

### **PRACTICE: pH AND pOH OF COMPOUNDS**

**EXAMPLE 1:** Of the following options, a solution with which pH would have the greatest concentration of hydronium ions?

- a) 4
- b) 8
- c) 11
- d) 13

**EXAMPLE 2:** What mass of HBr should a student mix into 250.00 mL of water to make a solution with a pH = 3.850?

- a) 0.00286 g
- b) 0.0547 g
- c)  $1.41 \times 10^{-4}$  g
- d) 0.0114 g
- e) 2.87g

**PRACTICE:** What is the hydronium ion concentration in a solution having a pOH of 3.62?

- a)  $3.8 \times 10^{-5}$  M
- b)  $4.2 \times 10^{-11}$  M
- c)  $3.8 \times 10^{-4}$  M
- d)  $2.6 \times 10^{-11}$  M
- e)  $5.1 \times 10^{-10}$  M