



Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad

Classifying Chemical Reactions



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Grade Level	9th – 12th Grade	Time Frame	2-3 class period(s)
Subject	Science	Duration	100 minutes
Course	Chemistry, Physical Science		

Essential Question

What patterns are present in chemical reactions?

Summary

In this lesson, students will be introduced to general types of chemical reactions. They will look for patterns to group similar reactions together, then use that as a way to put academic language to those groups. A basic understanding of chemical reactions and notation is necessary to complete this lesson.

Snapshot

Engage

Students watch and discuss a video.

Explore

Students group together reactions and do a Gallery Walk of what other students are thinking.

Explain

Students are introduced to different reaction types.

Extend

Students complete a station lab with multiple types of reactions.

Evaluate

Students participate in a Chalk Talk to synthesize their knowledge.

Standards

Next Generation Science Standards (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)

HS-PS1-2: Construct and revise an explanation for the outcome of a simple chemical reaction based on the outermost electron states of atoms, trends in the periodic table, and knowledge of the patterns of chemical properties.

Oklahoma Academic Standards (8th Grade)

8.ESS1.2.1: Earth and its solar system are part of the Milky Way Galaxy, which is one of the many galaxies in the universe.

Oklahoma Academic Standards (8th Grade)

PS.PS1.7 : Use mathematical representations to support the claim that atoms, and therefore mass, are conserved during a chemical reaction.

PS.PS1.7.1: The fact that atoms are conserved, together with knowledge of the chemical properties of the elements involved, can be used to describe and predict chemical reactions.

Attachments

- [Card Sort—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad - Spanish.docx](#)
- [Card Sort—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad - Spanish.pdf](#)
- [Card Sort—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad.docx](#)
- [Card Sort—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad.pdf](#)
- [Lesson Slides—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad.pptx](#)
- [Reaction Lab Student Guide—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad Spanish.docx](#)
- [Reaction Lab Student Guide—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad Spanish.pdf](#)
- [Reaction Lab Student Guide—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad.docx](#)
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- [Reaction Lab Teacher Guide—Happy, Sad, Sleepy, Mad.docx](#)
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Materials

- Lesson Slides (attached)
- Card Sort handout (attached; one set per group)
- Reaction Lab Student Guide handout (attached; one per student)
- Reaction Lab Teacher Guide document (attached)
- Sticky notes or index cards
- Poster paper
- Lab supplies (listen in Reactions Lab Teacher Guide document)

Engage

Use the attached **Lesson Slides** to guide the lesson. Transition through **slides 3-4** and go over the essential question and learning objectives with students.

Move to **slide 5** and review the proper way to set up and identify the parts of a chemical formula. Inform students that they will be watching a video of children reacting to eating chicken feet and that during the video, they should write down what represents the reactants, reaction (yield), and the products. They should also jot down all of the different reactions they notice.

Move to **slide 6** and play the "[KIDS vs. FOOD – CHICKEN FEET](#)" video and remind students to think about what happens to cause each reaction.

Embedded video

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=xBSzlvQOvfk>

After playing the video, have students discuss their findings about the different reactions that happened with an [Elbow Partner](#). When they are finished, ask partners, "What happened to make each reaction?" Allow students to discuss why the kids in the video were reacting the way they did.

Move to **slide 7** and explain that the reactants are the child and chicken feet separately, the actual eating is the arrow, and the product is how the students feel about the chicken feet once they're together.

Explore

Teacher's Note: Activity Preparation

Prior to the activity, print out enough copies of the attached **Card Sort** handout so that each group of 3-4 students has a set of cards. Cut out the cards along the dotted lines. Consider printing the cards on card stock or laminating them so they can be reused.

Display **slide 8** and place students into groups of 3-4. Introduce students to the [Card Sort](#) strategy and pass out a set of cards from the attached **Card Sort** handout to each group.

Instruct students to examine the cards and match similar reactions together. If students struggle to get started, ask them leading questions, such as:

- What do you notice that's the same?
- What do you notice that's different?

It may be tempting to give students the answers, but resist this as much as possible.

Distribute sticky notes to each group. Ask them to use two sticky notes per reaction group: one to label each group and one explaining why they grouped them the way they did.

Sample Student Responses

The cards in this Card Sort activity are intended to be sorted into four categories: synthesis, decomposition, single replacement, and double replacement. However, students may also sort them into other groups such as: precipitation, acid/base, combustion, or oxidation-reduction.

Using the [Gallery Walk](#) strategy, have each group walk around and view the other groups' Card Sorts and justifications for their reaction groups. When they are finished, allow students to return to their groups and discuss whether they want to rearrange any of the cards.

Explain

Display **slide 9** and begin revealing the solution to the Card Sort activity.

Slide 10 includes the solution for the synthesis category of reactions. Have students copy the definition of synthesis into their notes. Then, ask students to compare the solution on the slide to the solution their group came up with.

Optionally, have students physically demonstrate each type of reaction (with their hands or body, for example) before moving on to the next one. Invite students to share their demonstrations with the rest of the class if they are especially proud of it.

Transition through **slides 10-16** and repeat this process for each of the different reaction categories.

Extend

Teacher's Note: Lab Set-Up

Prior to conducting the lab with students, use the attached **Reaction Lab Teacher Guide** document for instructions on how to set up the lab as well as a list of required materials.

Display **slide 17** and pass out a copy of the attached **Reaction Lab Student Guide** handout to each student.

Place students into six groups and assign one group to each of the six lab stations. The six stations focus on:

- **Station 1 – single replacement:** zinc and hydrochloric acid
- **Station 2 – decomposition:** heated copper (II) carbonate with a burning splint
- **Station 3 – combustion:** magnesium strip in Bunsen burner
- **Station 4 – precipitation/double replacement:** potassium iodide and lead (II) nitrate
- **Station 5 – synthesis:** copper and sulfur, must be done in fume hood
- **Station 6 – acid/base:** sodium bicarbonate and hydrochloric acid

Have students rotate through each of the six stations and answer all the questions at the end of the lab handout. When everyone is finished, transition through **slides 18-23** to provide and discuss the solutions with students.

Evaluate

Teacher's Note: Lesson Preparation

Before conducting the next activity, place four large poster boards or sheets of paper around the room. Each poster should have one of the following questions written on it, as well as enough space for students to write their responses.

- How are all the reaction types different?
- How are the reactions types similar?
- What made the lab difficult?
- What was the most important thing that you learned today?

Display **slide 24** and introduce students to the [Chalk Talk](#) strategy.

Have students *silently* walk around the room to each poster and write their answers to the questions. Encourage them to read and respond to their classmates' answers.

When students have visited and responded to each question poster, have them return to their seats. Use their answers as a formative assessment to see if the students understand the different reaction types.

Resources

- K20 Center. (n.d.). Elbow Partners. Strategies. <https://learn.k20center.ou.edu/strategy/116>
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