

1 a What is the maximum mass of potassium fluoride that can be formed when 1.56 g of potassium reacts with fluorine?

$$2K + F_2 \rightarrow 2KF$$

moles K =
$$\frac{\text{mass}}{M_{\rm r}}$$
 = $\frac{1.56}{39}$ = 0.04 moles

moles KF = 0.04 moles

mass KF =
$$M_r$$
 x moles = $58 \times 0.4 = 2.32 g$

b In an experiment, a student reacted 1.56 g of potassium with fluorine and made 1.48 g of potassium fluoride. Calculate the percentage yield.

% yield =
$$100 x \frac{\text{mass formed}}{\text{maximum mass possible}} = 100 x \frac{1.48}{2.32} = 63.8\%$$

c Give two reasons why the percentage yield is less than 100%.

incomplete reaction some products escape / left on apparatus reaction may be reversible

2 Calculate the percentage yield in a reaction where 1.0 kg of iron is made from 1.6 kg of iron(III) oxide.

$$Fe_2O_3 + 3CO \rightarrow 2Fe + 3CO_2$$

moles
$$Fe_2O_3 = \frac{mass}{M_r} = \frac{1600}{160} = 10 \text{ moles}$$

moles Fe = 20 moles

mass Fe =
$$M_r$$
 x moles = $56 \times 20 = 1120 g$

% yield =
$$100 x \frac{\text{mass formed}}{\text{maximum mass possible}} = 100 x \frac{1000}{1120} = 89.3\%$$

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