Thermal Decomposition Questions

Question 1: X, Y, and Z are three crystalline solids. When all three are heated with conc. Sulphuric acid and copper turning produces a reddish brown gas W. When X is heated it produces a gas M that relights glowing splint. When Y is heated in a test tube, it produces a reddish brown gas and the yellow residue sticks (fuses) to the test tube. When Z is heated no residue is left and the gas produced turn moist red litmus paper blue.

- 1. Identify M, W, X, Y and Z
- 2. Give an equation for the reaction between conc. H₂SO₄ and X.
- 3. Give an equation for the reaction when Y is strongly heated.

Question 2: A, B, C and D are solid crystalline substances. A when heated gives off only one gas, E that relights glowing splint. B decomposes into two gases, F and water vapour completely leaving no residue. Solid C gives a brown gas G and E. solid D also produces same gases as C but its residue, which is yellow, sticks or fuses with the test tube. Identify A, B, C, D, E, F and G and write balance chemical equation for the above reactions.

Question 3: A, B, C and D are solid crystalline substances. A when strongly heated decomposes into two gases, X and Y completely leaving no residue. Gas X is a compound of nitrogen, and Gas Y turns anhydrous copper sulphate blue. Gas B when strongly heated also produces two gases, M and N. Gas M, which comes out first, turns red litmus blue but gas N, which comes out later, turns the blue litmus red again. Both solid C and D on strongly heating produces again two gases, one of them, S, is coloured and another, T, which is colourless, relights glowing splint and a residue. Residue in the C is a liquid, where as D is a solid. Identify A, B, C, D, M, N, S, T, X and Y. Write balance chemical equation for all the above reactions also.

Question 4: A very inert gas X when reacted with another gas Y in presence of iron catalyst, Z is formed. Neither X or Y is acidic or basic but Z turns moist red litmus blue. Y when burnt in air forms W that turns blue cobalt chloride paper pink. If Z is burnt in air, in presence of platinum/Rhodium catalyst S is formed which when further reacts with excess air and W forms T. Z when reacts with T, forms M. When M is strongly heated N and W is formed. Identify compounds X, Y, Z, W, S, T, M and N and write balanced chemical equation for each of these reactions stated above.

Question 5: Answer the following:

- 1. Give a reaction between concentrated HNO₃ and copper turning
- 2. Write a balanced equation between sulphur and hot conc. Nitric acid.
- 3. Name a solution which gives nitrogen dioxide with copper
- 4. Write balanced equation for action of heat on sodium, potassium and copper nitrate.
- 5. Write balanced equation for action of heating nitrogen monoxide and oxygen
- 6. Write balanced equations for nitric acid formation during thunderstorm. (3 steps)
- 7. Write a balanced equation for action of heat on ammonium nitrate.
- 8. Write balanced equations for preparation of nitric acid from potassium nitrate. (2 steps)
- 9. Give name of a substance which produced a gas which turns limewater milky from HNO₃
- 10. Why HNO₃ leaves a yellow colour when left standing in an ordinary glass bottle?
- 11. Give name of a substance that converts Sulphur into sulphuric acid directly.
- 12. Give name of a substance, which produces a brown gas in presence of copper turnings.
- 13. Name two metal nitrates which produces only one gas on heating
- 14. Name three nitrates that produces coloured residue, on heating. Also state the colour of the residue with the balanced chemical equation for the above three reactions.
- 15. Name two nitrates which leaves no residue, and a liquid residue on heating.