

# Naming Acids and Bases

## List

- explain how acids and bases are named

## Notes

### Naming Acids

- ★ Binary acids - prefix HYDRO and suffix IC
  - ☆ HCl = Hydrochloric
  - ☆ HBr = Hydrobromic
- ★ Oxyacids (containing polyatomic ions with oxygen)
  - ☆ most common number of oxygens = suffix IC  
HClO<sub>3</sub> = chloric acid
  - ☆ one more than most common = prefix PER and suffix IC  
HClO<sub>4</sub> = perchloric acid
  - ☆ one less than most common = suffix OUS  
HClO<sub>2</sub> = chlorous acid
  - ☆ two less than most common = prefix HYPO and suffix OUS  
HClO = hypochlorous acid

oxidation state	polyatomic ion			acid name	
	example	prefix	suffix	prefix	suffix
two less than most common	ClO <sup>-1</sup>	hypo	ite	hypo	ous
one less than most common	ClO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	-	ite	-	ous
most common	ClO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	-	ate	-	ic
one more than most common	ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	hyper	ate	per	ic

### Naming Bases - metal hydroxide

- ★ Examples: NaOH - sodium hydroxide; KOH - potassium hydroxide

### Answer the questions below by circling the number of the correct response

- The proper name for the acid with the formula HBr(aq) is  
(1) hydrogen bromide acid (2) bromic acid (3) bromous acid  
(4) hydrobromic acid
- What is the name of the base with the formula LiOH? (1) lithium oxygen hydride (2) lithium hydrate (3) lithium hydroxide  
(4) hydrolithic acid
- What is the formula for perchloric acid? (1) HCl (2) HClO<sub>4</sub>  
(3) HClO<sub>3</sub> (4) HClO
- The proper name for the acid with the formula HNO<sub>2</sub>(aq) is  
(1) nitrous acid (2) nitric acid (3) hyponitrous acid (4) hydronitric acid
- Which of the following is the base calcium hydroxide?  
(1) CH<sub>3</sub>COOH (2) Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> (3) CH<sub>3</sub>OH (4) CaCl<sub>2</sub>