

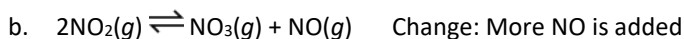
## AP Worksheet 7c (Le Châtelier's Principle)

For the following reaction, write how each of the changes will affect the indicated quantity. (For a chemical added, write how it would respond after the addition.)



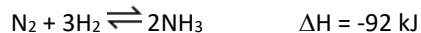
Change	[NO <sub>2</sub> ]	[NO]	[O <sub>2</sub> ]	K value
1. Some NO <sub>2</sub> added				
2. Some O <sub>2</sub> added				
3. Some NO <sub>2</sub> removed				
4. Some O <sub>2</sub> removed				
5. The temperature is increased				
6. The temperature is decreased				
7. Pressure is increased (and the container volume decreased)				
8. Pressure is decreased (so the container volume increases)				

1. Assume that each of the reactions below are at equilibrium. Using your knowledge of Le Châtelier's principle, explain carefully how the system will respond to the change.



2. The Haber process is used to produce ammonia commercially.

a. 1.00 mol of N<sub>2</sub> and 3.00 mols of H<sub>2</sub> are mixed together to produce ammonia according to the reaction below. At equilibrium in a 1.00 L vessel, only 50.0% of the N<sub>2</sub> that was present originally remains. Calculate K<sub>c</sub> for this reaction at this temperature.



- b. Predict how each of the following changes would affect the percentage of ammonia in the equilibrium mixture.
- (i) Adding a catalyst
  - (ii) Increasing the total pressure
  - (iii) Using a high temperature
3. Consider the Haber Process described in number 2. Under typical conditions a mixture of 1 mole of nitrogen gas to every 3 moles of hydrogen gas are exposed to the temperatures shown in the table below and equilibrium is established. In each case, the system is under a total pressure of 10.0 atm.

Temperature in °C	Partial pressure of NH <sub>3</sub> in atm
355	0.741
455	0.211
555	0.081

- a. For each temperature, calculate the partial pressure of each reactant.
- b. For each temperature, calculate  $K_p$ .
- c. Explain how the data is consistent with the  $\Delta H$  for the reaction.
- d. The experiment is repeated and the conditions adjusted so the total pressure is 40.0 atm. The partial pressure of ammonia at equilibrium under these conditions is 11.4 atm.
  - (i) Without doing any calculations, comment upon the significance of the data in terms of Le Châtelier's principle.
  - (ii) Calculate  $K_p$  under the new conditions.
- e. The reaction is often carried out using a catalyst. What is the purpose of the catalyst and how does it affect the value of  $K$  for the reaction?