

# Concentration Calculations: Molarity

Key

➤ First, copy the formulas for molarity and number of moles from your reference table:

$\text{Molarity} = \frac{\text{moles of solute}}{\text{L of solution}}$	$\text{Number of moles} = \frac{\text{given mass}}{\text{gram-formula mass}}$
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➤ Use the formulas above to solve the following problems. As you work through each problem, remember these tips:

- The amount of solute must be in moles to plug into the molarity formula. If it is given in grams, convert to moles using the "number of moles" formula.
- The volume of solution must be in L to plug into the molarity formula. If it is given in mL, you must convert.
- Once variables are in the correct units, write the formula, plug in values, and solve for x.

1. What is the molarity of a solution in which 58 g of NaCl are dissolved in 1.0 L of solution?

$\uparrow$  gfm = 58.5 g/mol  
 ↪ convert to moles

$$\text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{gfm}} = \frac{58 \text{ g}}{58.5 \text{ g/mol}} = \boxed{0.99 \text{ moles}}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{moles solute}}{\text{L of solution}} = \frac{0.99 \text{ mol}}{1.00 \text{ L}} = \boxed{0.99 \text{ M}}$$

2. What is the molarity of a solution in which 10.0 g of AgNO<sub>3</sub> is dissolved in 500 mL of solution?

$\uparrow$  gfm = 169.9 g/mol  
 ↪ convert to moles      ↪ convert to L

$$\text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{gfm}} = \frac{10.0 \text{ g}}{169.9 \text{ g/mol}} = \underline{0.0589 \text{ mol}} \qquad = 0.500 \text{ L}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{moles solute}}{\text{L of solution}} = \frac{0.0589 \text{ mol}}{0.500 \text{ L}} = \boxed{0.118 \text{ M}}$$

3. How many grams of KNO<sub>3</sub> should be used to prepare 2.00 L of a 0.500 M solution?

$\uparrow$  gfm = 101.1 g/mol  
 ↪ find moles, then convert to grams

$$M = \frac{\text{moles solute}}{\text{L solution}} \qquad 0.500 \text{ M} = \frac{x}{2.00 \text{ L}}$$

$$\boxed{1.00 \text{ mol} = x}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{gfm}} \\ 1.00 = \frac{x}{101.1} \end{array} \right\} \boxed{x = 101.1 \text{ g}}$$

4. To what volume should 5.0 g of KCl be diluted in order to prepare a 0.25 M solution?

$\uparrow$  gfm = 74.6 g/mol  
 ↪ convert to moles

$$\text{moles} = \frac{5.0 \text{ g}}{74.6 \text{ g/mol}} = 0.067 \text{ mol}$$

$$0.25 = \frac{0.067 \text{ mol}}{x}$$

$$\boxed{x = 0.268 \text{ L}}$$

$$M = \frac{\text{moles}}{L}$$

$$M \times L = \frac{\text{moles}}{M}$$

Use the formulas for molarity and moles to complete the missing values in the table below.

Substance	Name	GFM	Grams of solute	Moles of solute	Volume of solution	Molarity
$C_6H_{12}O_6$	glucose	180.0	75	$= \frac{g}{gfm} = \frac{75}{180} = 0.42 \text{ mol}$	0.300 L	$= \frac{0.42 \text{ mol}}{0.300 \text{ L}} = 1.4 \text{ M}$
NaCl	sodium chloride	58.5	100	$= \frac{100}{58.5} = 1.71 \text{ mol}$	$L = \frac{\text{mol}}{M} = \frac{1.71 \text{ mol}}{8.00 \text{ M}} = 0.214 \text{ L}$	8.00
$MgCl_2$	magnesium chloride	95.3	$= gfm \times \text{mol} = 50.0 \text{ g}$	0.525	164 mL *convert to L 0.164 L	$= \frac{0.525 \text{ mol}}{0.164 \text{ L}} = 3.20 \text{ M}$
HCl	hydrogen chloride	36.5	44.9 g	1.23	$L = \frac{1.23 \text{ mol}}{6.00 \text{ M}} = 0.205 \text{ L}$	6.00
NaOH	sodium hydroxide	40.0	15	0.375	$L = \frac{\text{mol}}{M} = \frac{0.375}{2.4} = 0.156 \text{ L}$	2.4
$Fe(NO_3)_2$	iron (II) nitrate	179.8	75	$= \frac{75 \text{ g}}{179.8 \text{ g/mol}} = 0.42 \text{ mol}$	556 mL *convert to L 0.556 L	$= \frac{0.42 \text{ mol}}{0.556 \text{ L}} = 0.76 \text{ M}$
$Fe(NO_3)_3$	iron (III) nitrate	241.8	$= gfm \times \text{mol} = 241.8 \times 0.00025 = 0.060 \text{ g}$	$\text{mol} = L \times M = 0.000382 \times 0.65 = 0.00025 \text{ mol}$	0.382 mL = 0.000382 L	0.65

Work Space: (You may also use a piece of scrap paper for your work.)