Answer on Question #63136 - Chemistry - General Chemistry

Question:

For each of the following reactions, calculate the grams of indicated product when 18.0 g of the first reactant and 10.2 g of the second reactant is used:

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Part A
4Li(s)+O2(g)→2Li2O(s) Solve For(Li2O)
Part B
Fe2O3(s)+3H2(g)→2Fe(s)+3H2O(l) Solve For (H2O)
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Solution:

The general principle is to find which component is in shortage. That component will define the amount of product.

Part A.

 $4\text{Li}(s)+O_2(g)\rightarrow 2\text{Li}_2O(s)$

Per 4 moles of Li we need 1 mole of oxygen and we receive 2 moles of ${\rm Li}_2{\rm O}$.

Molar mass of Li - 6.94 g/mol, of oxygen – 32.00 g/mol, of Li_2O – 29.88 g/mol.

So per 27.8 g of Li we need 32.0 g of oxygen to receive 59.8 g of Li_2O , than for 18.0 g of lithium we need (18.0 g * 32.0 g) / 27.8 g = 20.7 g of oxygen.

As we have only 10.2 g of oxygen – it is in shortage, so oxygen will define the amount of final product.

32.0 g of oxygen give 59.8 g of lithium oxide, than 10.2 g of oxygen give (10.2 g * 59.8 g) / 32.0 g = **19.1 g** of lithium oxide.

Part B.

 $Fe_2O_3(s)+3H_2(g)\rightarrow 2Fe(s)+3H_2O(l)$

Per 1 mole of Fe_2O_3 we need 3 moles of hydrogen and we receive 3 moles of H_2O .

Molar mass of Fe_2O_3 – 159.7 g/mol, of hydrogen – 2.0 g/mol, of H_2O – 18.0 g/mol.

So per 159.7 g of Fe_2O_3 we need 6.0 g of hydrogen to receive 54.0 g of H_2O , than for 18.0 g of Fe_2O_3 we need (18.0 g * 6.0 g) / 159.7 g = 0.7 g of hydrogen. We see that hydrogen is in excess, so Fe_2O_3 is in shortage and it defines the amount of final product.

159.7 g of Fe_2O_3 give 54.0 g of water, than 18.0 g of Fe_2O_3 give (18.0 g * 54.0 g) / 159.7 g = **6.1** g of water.

Answer: Part A: **19.1 g** of lithium oxide. Part B: **6.1 g** of water.