

## Boyles Law Chemistry Questions with Solutions

**Q1.** Suppose P, V, and T represent the gas's pressure, volume, and temperature, then the correct representation of Boyle's law is

- (a) V is inversely proportional to T (at constant P)
- (b) V inversely proportional to P (at constant T)
- (c)  $PV = nRT$
- (d)  $PV = RT$

**Answer:** (b), If P, V, and T represent the gas's pressure, volume, and temperature, then the correct representation of Boyle's law is V inversely proportional to P (at constant T).

$$V \propto 1/P$$

**Q2.** What is the nature of Boyle's Law's pressure vs volume (P vs V) graph?

- (a) Straight Line
- (b) Rectangular Hyperbola
- (c) Parabola
- (d) None of the above

**Answer:** (b), The nature of Boyle's Law's pressure vs volume (P vs V) graph is a rectangular hyperbola.

**Q3.** What is the nature of Boyle's Law's pressure-volume vs pressure (PV vs P) graph?

- (a) Straight-line parallel to the P axis
- (b) Straight-line parallel to the PV axis
- (c) Straight-line parallel to the V axis
- (d) None of the above

**Answer:** (a), The nature of Boyle's Law's pressure-volume vs pressure (PV vs P) graph is a straight line parallel to the P axis.

**Q4.** Which of the following quantity is kept constant in Boyle's law?

- (a) Gas mass only
- (b) Gas Temperature only
- (c) Gas Mass and Gas Pressure
- (d) Gas Mass and Gas Temperature

**Answer:** (d), In Boyle's law, the mass of the gas its temperature are kept constant.

**Q5.** Boyle's law is valid only for

- (a) Ideal gases
- (b) Non-ideal gases
- (c) Light Gases
- (d) Heavy Gases

**Answer:** (a), Boyle's law is valid only for ideal gases.

**Q6.** What is Boyle's law?

**Answer:** Boyle's law depicts the relationship between the pressure, volume, and temperature of a gas. It states that the pressure of a gas is inversely proportional to its volume at a constant temperature.

$$P \propto 1 / V$$

$$\text{Or, } PV = k$$

**Q7.** How is Boyle's law used in everyday life?

**Answer:** Boyle's law can be observed in our everyday life. Filling air in the bike tire is one of the significant applications of Boyle's law. While pumping air into the tyre, the gas molecules inside the tire are compressed and packed closer together. It increases the pressure exerted on the walls of the tyre.

**Q8.** What is Boyle's temperature?

**Answer:** Boyle's temperature is the temperature at which the real and non-ideal gases behave like an ideal gas over a broad spectrum of pressure. It is related to the Van der Waal's constant a, b as  $T_B = a / Rb$

**Q9.** Differentiate between Boyle's law and Charle's law.

**Answer:**

S. No.	Boyle's Law	Charle's Law
1.	Boyle's law gives a relation between the pressure and the volume of the gas.	Charle's law gives a relation between the temperature and the volume of the gas.
2.	Temperature is kept constant.	Pressure is kept constant.
3.	Pressure is inversely proportional to the volume.	Temperature is directly proportional to the volume.
4.	$P \propto 1 / V$	$T \propto V$
5.	The product of the pressure and the volume is constant.	The ratio of the temperature and the volume is constant.
6.	$PV = k$	$V = kT$

**Q10.** Match the following gas laws with the equation representing them.

Column 1	Column 2
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Boyle's law	$PV = nRT$
Charles' law	$V = kN$ at constant temperature and pressure
Dalton's law	$P_{\text{TOTAL}} = P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4 + \dots P_{\infty}$ at constant temperature and volume
Avogadro law	$V = kT$ at a constant pressure
Ideal Gas law	$PV = k$ at a constant temperature

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**Q11.** A helium balloon has a volume of 735 mL at ground level. The balloon is transported to an elevation of 5 km, where the pressure is 0.8 atm. At this altitude, the gas occupies a volume of 1286 mL. Assuming that the temperature is constant, what was the ground level pressure?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 735 mL

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 0.8 atm

Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = 1286 mL

To Find: Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = ?

We can calculate the initial pressure of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$P_1 \times 735 = 0.8 \times 1286$$

$$P_1 = 1028.8 / 735$$

$$P_1 = 1.39 \approx 1.4 \text{ atm}$$

Hence the ground level pressure is 1.4 atm.

**Q12.** A sample of oxygen gas has a volume of 225 mL when its pressure is 1.12 atm. What will the volume of the gas be at a pressure of 0.98 atm if the temperature remains constant?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 225 mL

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 1.12 atm

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 0.98 atm

To Find: Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$1.12 \times 225 = 0.98 \times V_2$$

$$252 = 0.98 \times V_2$$

$$252 / 0.98 = V_2$$

$$V_2 = 257.14 \text{ mL} \approx 257 \text{ mL}$$

Hence the final volume of the gas at pressure of 0.98 atm is equivalent to 257 mL.

**Q13.** An ideal gas occupying a 2.0 L flask at 760 torrs is allowed to expand to a volume of 6,000 mL. Calculate the final pressure

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 2 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 760 torrs

Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = 6000 mL = 6 L

To Find: Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final pressure of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$760 \times 2 = P_2 \times 6$$

$$1520 = P_2 \times 6$$

$$P_2 = 1520 / 6$$

$$P_2 = 253.33 \text{ torrs} \approx 253 \text{ torrs}$$

Hence the final pressure of the gas at volume of 6 L is equivalent to 253 torrs.

**Q14.** A gas occupies a volume of 1 L and exerts a pressure of 400 kPa on the walls of its container. What would be the pressure exerted by the gas if it is completely transferred into a new container having a volume of 3 litres (assuming that the temperature and amount of the gas remain the same.)?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 1 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 400 kPa

Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = 3 L

To Find: Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final pressure of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$400 \times 1 = P_2 \times 3$$

$$P_2 = 400 / 3$$

$$P_2 = 133.33 \approx 133 \text{ kPa}$$

Hence the final pressure of the gas at of volume 3 L is equivalent to 133 kPa.

**Q15.** A gas exerts a pressure of 3 kPa on the walls of container 1. When container one is emptied into a 10 litre container, the pressure exerted by the gas increases to 6 kPa. Find the volume of container 1. Assume that the temperature and amount of the gas remain the same.

**Answer:** Given

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 3 kPa

Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = 10 L

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 6 kPa

To Find: Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = ?

We can calculate the initial volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$3 \times V_1 = 6 \times 10$$

$$3 \times V_1 = 60$$

$$V_1 = 60 / 3$$

$$V_1 = 20 \text{ L}$$

Hence the initial volume of the gas at pressure of 3 kPa is equivalent to 20 L.

## Practise Questions on Boyles Law

**Q1.** A gas is initially in a 5 L piston with a pressure of 1 atm. What is the new volume if the pressure changes to 3.5 atm by moving the piston down?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 5 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 1 atm

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 3.5 atm

To Find: Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$1 \times 5 = 3.5 \times V_2$$

$$5 = 3.5 \times V_2$$

$$V_2 = 5 / 3.5$$

$$V_2 = 1.43 \text{ L}$$

Hence the final volume of the gas at a pressure of 3.5 atm is equivalent to 1.43 L.

**Q2.** A balloon of volume 0.666 L at 1.03atm is placed in a pressure chamber where the pressure becomes 5.68atm. Determine the new volume.

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 0.666 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 1.03 atm

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 5.68 atm

To Find: Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$1.03 \times 0.666 = 5.68 \times V_2$$

$$0.685 = 5.68 \times V_2$$

$$V_2 = 0.685 / 5.68$$

$$V_2 = 0.12 \text{ L}$$

Hence the final volume of the gas at a pressure of 5.68 atm is equivalent to 0.12 L.

**Q3.** A gas in a 30.0 mL container is at a pressure of 1.05 atm and is compressed to a volume of 15.0 mL. What is the new pressure of the container?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 30 ml

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 1.05 atm

Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = 15 mL

To Find: Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final pressure of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$1.05 \times 30 = P_2 \times 15$$

$$31.5 = P_2 \times 15$$

$$P_2 = 31.5 / 15$$

$$P_2 = 2.1$$

Hence the final pressure of the gas at a volume of 15 mL is equivalent to 2.1 atm.

**Q4.** If a gas occupies 3.60 litres at a pressure of 1.00 atm, what will be its volume at a pressure of 2.50 atm?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 3.60 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 1 atm

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 2.5 atm

To Find: Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$1 \times 3.60 = 2.5 \times V_2$$

$$3.60 = 2.5 \times V_2$$

$$V_2 = 3.60 / 2.5$$

$$V_2 = 1.44 \text{ L}$$

Hence the final volume of the gas at a pressure of 2.5 atm is equivalent to 1.44 L.

**Q5.** A gas occupies 12.3 litres at a pressure of 40.0 mmHg. What is the volume when the pressure is increased to 60.0 mmHg?

**Answer:** Given

Initial Volume ( $V_1$ ) = 12.3 L

Initial Pressure ( $P_1$ ) = 40.0 mmHg

Final Pressure ( $P_2$ ) = 60.0 mmHg

To Find: Final Volume ( $V_2$ ) = ?

We can calculate the final volume of the gas using Boyle's law.

$$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$$

$$40 \times 12.3 = 60 \times V_2$$

$$492 = 60 \times V_2$$

$$V_2 = 492 / 60$$

$$V_2 = 8.2$$

Hence the final volume of the gas at a pressure of 60.0 mmHg is equivalent to 8.2 L.

