7Fb/1 Collecting gas

How can you collect the gas given off in an experiment?

Apparatus

- Eye protection
- Test tube
- Bung and delivery tube
- Piece of magnesium (1 cm long)
- Dilute hydrochloric acid
- Splints

- Boiling tube
 - Large beaker
 - Test tube rack
- Measuring cylinder
- Bunsen burner
- Test tube holder



Method

1 Fill the test tube and the beaker with water. Put your thumb over the end of the test tube, and put it into the beaker upside down.



2 Put the end of the delivery tube into the upside down test tube, without letting any of the water out.



3 Measure 10 cm³ of hydrochloric acid and put it into a boiling tube. Stand the boiling tube in the test tube rack.

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Considering your results/conclusions

- 1 What are the names of the two reactants in this experiment?
- **2** What did you see happening when you put the magnesium into the acid?
- **3** How could you tell that one of the products of this reaction is a gas?
- **4** What happened when you tested the gas in the boiling tube?
- **5** What does this tell you about the gas?

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