7Fb/2 Metals and acids 1

Which metals and acids react with each other?



Apparatus

- Eye protection
- Test tubes
- Test tube rack
- Dilute acids
- Measuring cylinder Small pieces of metal



Method

- 1 Measure 10 cm³ of an acid and put it into a test tube.
- **2** Drop a small piece of metal into the acid.
- **3** Look carefully at the test tube. What can you see happening?
- 4 Write what you see in the table. You may need to wait a few minutes to see if anything happens. If you cannot see anything happening, write 'no reaction'.
- **5** Wash out your test tube. Ask your teacher what to do with the piece of metal if it has not reacted.
- **6** Repeat steps 1 to 5 for the other combinations of metals and acids.

Recording your results

Acid Metal	hydrochloric	sulphuric	nitric
aluminium			
copper			
iron			
magnesium			
tin			
zinc			



Considering your results/conclusion	
I could tell that a particular combination of metal and acid had reacted because	
The metal that reacted fastest with acid was	
These metals did not react at all:	