

# IMF – Intermolecular Forces Worksheet

Indicate the **strongest** IMF holding together **thousands of molecules** of the following. Then indicate what type of bonding is holding the atoms together in **one molecule** of the following. NOTE – if the molecule is an ionic compound, then there is no IMF, the ions are all held together by ionic bonds.

		IMF			Bonding		
		London forces	Dipole-dipole forces	Hydrogen Bonding Forces	Ionic Bonds	Polar Covalent Bonds	Nonpolar Covalent Bonds
1.	NH <sub>3</sub>						
2.	K <sub>2</sub> S						
3.	HCl						
4.	F <sub>2</sub>						
5.	PCl <sub>3</sub>						
6.	NaCl						
7.	SO <sub>2</sub>						
8.	CO <sub>2</sub>						
9.	I <sub>2</sub>						
10.	CH <sub>4</sub>						
11.	CH <sub>3</sub> Cl						
12.	HF						
13.	H <sub>2</sub> O						
14.	NO						
15.	H <sub>2</sub>						
16.	CaO						
17.	O <sub>2</sub>						
18.	CH <sub>3</sub> OH						
19.	CO						
20.	N <sub>2</sub>						

Answer the following questions with dipole dipole forces, H bonding forces, London forces, ion dipole forces, ionic bond, polar covalent bond, or nonpolar covalent bond.

1. What holds molecules of water together?
2. What hold the O and H atoms together in a molecule of water?
3. What holds Na<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> ions together in salt?
4. What holds NaCl(aq) together in salt water?
5. What holds the two F atoms together in diatomic fluorine?
6. What holds molecules of fluorine together?
7. What holds KBr(aq) together?
8. What holds the C and H atoms together in methane, CH<sub>4</sub>?
9. What hold methane molecules with each other?
10. What holds the C and O atoms together in carbon monoxide?
11. What holds five molecules of carbon monoxide together?

Now let us compare two liquids and their properties. Consider benzene,  $C_6H_6$ , and phenol,  $C_6H_5OH$ :

1. Which has the stronger IMF?
2. Which has the lower vapor pressure?
3. Which has the higher boiling point?
4. Which has the lower viscosity?
5. Which has the higher surface tension?
6. Which one can H bond?
7. Which one has only London dispersion forces?

## IMF – Intermolecular Forces Key

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1.	$NH_3$			X		X	
2.	$K_2S$				X		
3.	$HCl$		X			X	
4.	$F_2$	X					X
5.	$PCl_3$		X			X	
6.	$NaCl$				X		
7.	$SO_2$		X			X	
8.	$CO_2$	X					X
9.	$I_2$	X					X
10.	$CH_4$	X					X
11.	$CH_3Cl$		X			X (C-Cl)	X (C-H)
12.	$HF$			X		X	
13.	$H_2O$			X		X	
14.	$NO$		X			X	
15.	$H_2$	X					X
16.	$CaO$				X		
17.	$O_2$	X					X
18.	$CH_3OH$			X		X (O-H)	X (C-H)
19.	$CO$		X			X	
20.	$N_2$	X					X

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1. What holds molecules of water together? **H bonding force**
2. What hold the O and H atoms together in a molecule of water? **Polar cov bonds**
3. What holds  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions together in salt? **ionic bonds**
4. What holds  $\text{NaCl}(\text{aq})$  together in salt water? **ion dipole force**
5. What holds the two F atoms together in diatomic fluorine? **Nonpolar cov bond**
6. What holds molecules of fluorine together? **London force**
7. What holds  $\text{KBr}(\text{aq})$  together? **ion dipole force**
8. What holds the C and H atoms together in methane,  $\text{CH}_4$ ? **Nonpolar cov bond**
9. What hold methane molecules with each other? **London force**
10. What holds the C and O atoms together in carbon monoxide? **Polar cov bond**
11. What holds five molecules of carbon monoxide together? **Dipole dipole force**

Now let us compare two liquids and their properties. Consider benzene,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ , and phenol,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{OH}$ :

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2. Which has the lower vapor pressure? **phenol**
3. Which has the higher boiling point? **phenol**
4. Which has the lower viscosity? **benzene**
5. Which has the higher surface tension? **phenol**
6. Which one can H bond? **phenol**
7. Which one has only London dispersion forces? **benzene**

*What is the strongest intermolecular force present for each of the following molecules?*

1) hydrogen ( $H_2$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

2) carbon monoxide (CO) \_\_\_\_\_

3) silicon tetrafluoride ( $SiF_4$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

4) nitrogen tribromide ( $NBr_3$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

5) water ( $H_2O$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

6) acetone ( $CH_2O$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

7) methane ( $CH_4$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

8) benzene ( $C_6H_6$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

9) ammonia ( $NH_3$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

10) methanol ( $CH_3OH$ ) \_\_\_\_\_

What is the strongest intermolecular force present for each of the following molecules?

- 1) hydrogen ( $\text{H}_2$ )                      **London dispersion forces**
- 2) carbon monoxide ( $\text{CO}$ )              *dipole-dipole forces*
- 3) silicon tetrafluoride ( $\text{SiF}_4$ )        **London dispersion forces**
- 4) nitrogen tribromide ( $\text{NBr}_3$ )        **dipole-dipole forces**
- 5) water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )                        **hydrogen bonding**
- 6) acetone ( $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ )                      **dipole-dipole forces**
- 7) methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ )                        **London dispersion forces**
- 8) benzene ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ )                      **London dispersion forces**
- 9) ammonia ( $\text{NH}_3$ )                      **hydrogen bonding**
- 10) methanol ( $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ )                **hydrogen bonding**

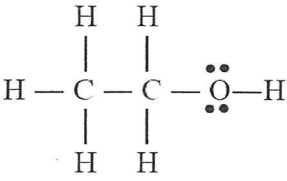
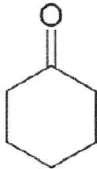
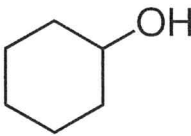
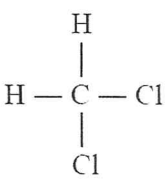
## Intermolecular Forces Summary, Worksheet, and Key

### Summary of Non-Covalent Interactions:

Attractive Force	Interaction Between:
Hydrogen Bonding (intermolecular)	
Dipole-Dipole (intermolecular)	
London Forces (intermolecular)	
Ion-Dipole	
Salt Bridge	

**Problems:**

1) Name the dominant (strongest) intermolecular force in the following pairs:

Compound	Dominant Force (Strongest Possible Force)
Methane and Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )	
Ethanol and Ethanol 	
Water and Water	
NH <sub>3</sub> and NH <sub>3</sub>	
Cyclohexanone and Cyclohexanone 	
Cyclohexanol and Cyclohexanol 	
HCl and HCl	
CO <sub>2</sub> and CO <sub>2</sub>	
CCl <sub>4</sub> and CCl <sub>4</sub>	
CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> and CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> 	

2) If the pairs of substances listed below were mixed together, list the non-covalent interaction(s) that are involved.

Choices:

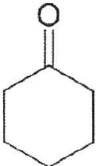
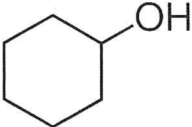
- (A) Hydrogen Bonding
- (B) Dipole-Dipole
- (C) London Forces (induced dipole)
- (D) Ion-Dipole
- (E) Salt Bridges (ionic forces)

Compound Pairs	List of Non-covalent Interactions
NH <sub>3</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> O	
Mg <sup>2+</sup> and H <sub>2</sub> O	
Cl <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub>	
Acetic acid and H <sub>2</sub> O  $  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \quad \text{O} \\    \quad    \\  \text{H} - \text{C} - \text{C} - \text{OH} \\    \\  \text{H}  \end{array}  $ Acetic Acid	
SO <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> O	
SO <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> S	
ethane (CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) and methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )	



## Key

1) Name the dominant (strongest) intermolecular force in the following pairs:

Compound	Dominant Force
Methane and Methane	London Forces
Ethanol and Ethanol  $  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \quad \text{H} \\    \quad   \\  \text{H} - \text{C} - \text{C} - \overset{\cdot\cdot}{\underset{\cdot\cdot}{\text{O}}} - \text{H} \\    \quad   \\  \text{H} \quad \text{H}  \end{array}  $	Hydrogen Bonding
Water and Water	Hydrogen Bonding
NH <sub>3</sub> and NH <sub>3</sub>	Hydrogen Bonding
Cyclohexanone and Cyclohexanone  	Dipole-Dipole
Cyclohexanol and Cyclohexanol  	Hydrogen Bonding
HCl and HCl	Dipole-Dipole
CO <sub>2</sub> and CO <sub>2</sub>	London Forces
CCl <sub>4</sub> and CCl <sub>4</sub>	London Forces
CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> and CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>  $  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \\    \\  \text{H} - \text{C} - \text{Cl} \\    \\  \text{Cl}  \end{array}  $	Dipole-Dipole

2) If the pairs of substances listed below were mixed together, list the intermolecular force(s) that are involved.

Choices:

- (A) Hydrogen Bonding
- (B) Standard Dipole-Dipole
- (C) London Forces (induced dipole)
- (D) Ion-Dipole
- (E) Salt Bridges (ionic forces)

Compound Pairs	List of Intermolecular Forces
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Mg <sup>2+</sup> and H <sub>2</sub> O	D
Cl <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub>	C
Acetate ion and H <sub>2</sub> O $  \begin{array}{c}  \text{H} \quad \text{O} \\    \quad    \\  \text{H} - \text{C} - \text{C} - \text{OH} \\    \\  \text{H} \\  \text{Acetic Acid}  \end{array}  $	A,B,C
SO <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> O	A,B,C
SO <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> S	B,C
ethane (CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) and methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )	C

Name \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_

### Chemistry II Practice: "Intermolecular Forces"

1. Describe the three types of intermolecular forces. Include in your explanation how they work on the submicroscopic level.

2. Explain the difference between a chemical bond and an intermolecular force. Compare the relative amounts of energy involved in the forming and breaking of these forces.

3. What is the difference between a temporary and a permanent dipole? Give an example of each.

4. Explain, in terms of intermolecular forces, why water has an unusually high boiling point.

If the statement is true, write "true". If it is false, change the underlined word to make it true.

5. Intermolecular forces determine, metallic properties such as the boiling point of a substance.

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Intermolecular forces are forces of attraction between atoms.

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Chemical bonds are the forces between molecules.

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Covalent bonds result from electrons being shared between atoms in a molecule.

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Intermolecular forces result from the electron interactions between neighboring molecules.

\_\_\_\_\_

10. When the electron cloud around a molecule is not distributed symmetrically, a molecule is polar.

\_\_\_\_\_

11. Chemical bonds include ionic bonds and hydrogen bonds.

\_\_\_\_\_

12. Intermolecular forces include dispersion forces, dipole interactions and helium-bond forces.

Complete each of the sentences with the appropriate word or words.

13. The stronger the intermolecular forces in a liquid, the \_\_\_\_\_ boiling point.

14. The state (solid, liquid or gas) of a substance at room temperature depends on \_\_\_\_\_.

15. Water molecules in an ice cube are held together by \_\_\_\_\_ forces or more specifically \_\_\_\_\_.

On the line at the left, write the letter of the term that matches each description below. Each choice may be used more than once. More than one choice may be used as an answer.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 17. The force that accounts for HF being a liquid, while  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{F}_2$  are gases at room temperature.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Key

per \_\_\_\_\_

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Hydrogen Bonds are attractions between hydrogen atoms and lone pairs on adjacent molecules.

2. Explain the difference between a chemical bond and an intermolecular force. Compare the relative amounts of energy involved in the forming and breaking of these forces.

A chemical bond is formed between atoms within a molecule and intermolecular forces are bonds between molecules. Chemical bonds are generally stronger than intermolecular forces and much greater amounts of energy are involved in their formation.

3. What is the difference between a temporary and a permanent dipole? Give an example of each.

A temporary dipole occurs when electrons are denser on one end of a molecule. All molecules can become temporary dipoles.

A permanent dipole is a molecule which has a negatively and positively charged end resulting from polar bonds.

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Water molecules have very high intermolecular forces resulting from hydrogen bonding, which is the strongest intermolecular force.

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Physical

molecules

True

True

True

True

Covalent bonds

hydrogen bond

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