Solution Preparation



Outcomes:

Prepare a solution of known concentration given the amount of solute (in grams) and volume of solution.

Making a Solution:

We need to be able to make solutions of known concentrations so that we know the "strength" of the solutions we are working with.

Procedure for Preparing a Solution:

- Determine the <u>CONCENTRATION</u> of the solution you <u>WANT</u>, in <u>MOLES</u> per <u>LITRE</u>. Lets say: 0.8 mol/L NaCl solution (100mL)
- 2. Since we cannot measure out MOLES, we need to CONVERT the MOLES we NEED into GRAMS.

$$00 \text{ mL} = 0.1 \text{ L} \times 0.8 \text{ mol} = 0.08 \text{ mol} \times 58.59 = 14.689$$

3. <u>MEASURE</u> out the mass of solute and add to a volumetric flask (if possible). *Why a volumetric flask?*

Making a Solution:

Procedure for Preparing a Solution Con't:

4. **DISSOLVE** solute in **LESS** than the **FINAL** volume of **WATER**. Why less than the final volume?

- 5. Dilute to the **MARK**.
 - Use a <u>DROPPER PIPET</u> to add the <u>LAST BIT</u> of <u>WATER</u>.
 - Be sure to measure to the **BOTTOM** of the **MENISCUS**





http://tansek64.blogspot.ca/2010_11_01_archive.html

Making a Solution:



http://2012books.lardbucket.org/books/principles-of-general-chemistry-v1.0/section_08/3d3c33730a0c1644e3166fa6be1a8b38.jpg

Question:

Why do we "dilute to the mark"? Why would we not just add the total volume to the solute?