Oxides are chemical compounds that have two elements in their composition. One of these two elements must be oxygen.
There are acidic and basic oxides. Most acidic oxides are soluble in water:
$\mathrm{CO}_{2}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}$
$\mathrm{SO}_{2}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{3}$
Some are not:
$\mathrm{SiO}_{2}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow$ no reaction

All acidic oxides are soluble in bases:
$\mathrm{SiO}_{2}+2 \mathrm{NaOH} \rightarrow \mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}+2 \mathrm{HCl} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SiO}_{3}$ (metasilicic acid) +2 NaCl
To each acidic oxide corresponds an acid.
General definition of acidic oxides is:
"Oxides that interact with bases forming salt and water are called acidic oxides"
Acidic oxides are mostly formed by non-metals. Some metals can form acidic oxides in their highest oxidation state: $\mathrm{Cr}(\mathrm{VI}) \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{CrO}_{4}$ chromic acid; $\mathrm{Mn}(\mathrm{VII}) \rightarrow \mathrm{HMnO}_{4}$ permanganic acid. Basic oxides are formed only by metals. Some react with water, some don't. All basic oxides react with acids.
$\mathrm{CaO}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$
$\mathrm{ZnO}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow$ no reaction
$\mathrm{ZnO}+2 \mathrm{HCl} \rightarrow \mathrm{ZnCl}_{2}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$
$\mathrm{ZnCl} 2+\mathrm{NaOH} \rightarrow \mathrm{Zn}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}+2 \mathrm{NaCl}$
To each basic oxide corresponds a base:
$\mathrm{MgO} \rightarrow \mathrm{Mg}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$
$\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} \rightarrow \mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{OH})_{3}$
$\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{O} \rightarrow \mathrm{NaOH}$

Oxides that react with acids forming salt and water are called basic oxides. In their lowest oxidation state $\mathrm{Cr}(\mathrm{II})$ and Mn (II) form basic oxides: $\mathrm{CrO} \rightarrow \mathrm{Cr}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$ (unstable, transforms to Cr (III))
$\mathrm{MnO} \rightarrow \mathrm{Mn}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$

## Questions

1. Write chemical equations for the following transformations: $\mathrm{Ca} \rightarrow \mathrm{CaO} \rightarrow \mathrm{Ca}(\mathrm{OH})_{2}$;

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\mathrm{S} \rightarrow \mathrm{SO}_{2} \rightarrow \mathrm{SO}_{3} \rightarrow \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}
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2. Basic oxide CaO reacts with hydrochloric acid $(\mathrm{HCl})$ forming the salt of calcium chloride $\mathrm{CaCl}_{2}$ and water. Write the chemical reaction, balance the equation, and calculate how many grams of this salt will form from 73 g HCl .
