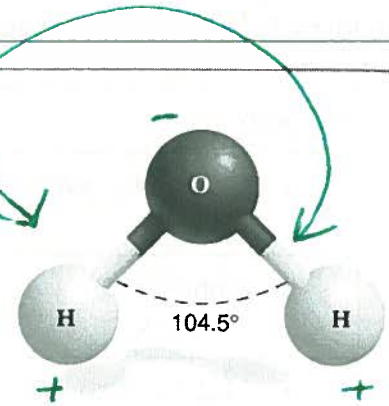


## Guided Notes - Properties of Water, Acids, Bases, & pH

Water is a molecule formed by covalent bonds.

The Hydrogens and Oxygen atom share their electrons.

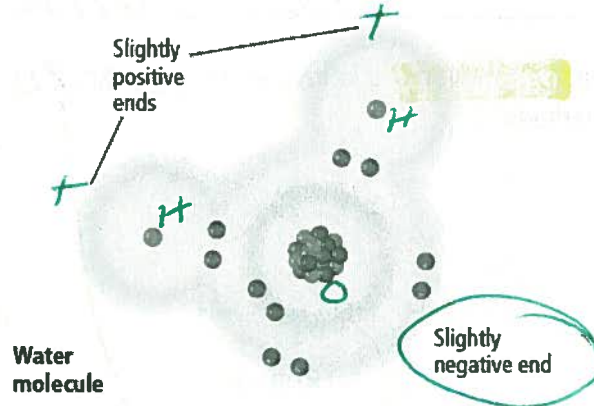
Oxygen is a very electronegative atom, it does NOT sharing the electrons equally with the two hydrogen atoms.



The unequal sharing of electrons results in charged ends of the molecule.

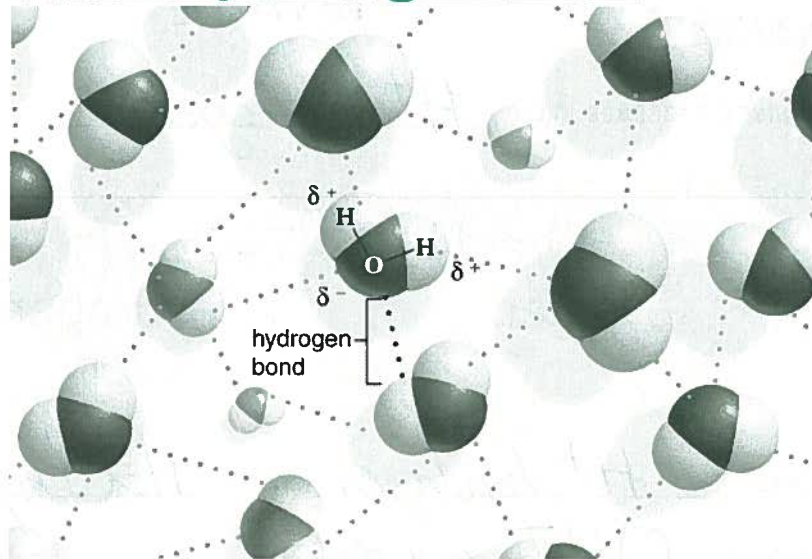
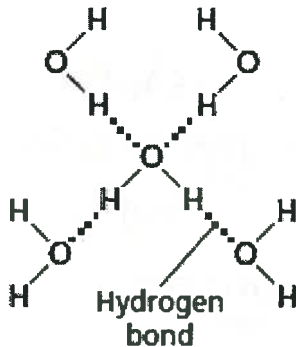
Polar molecules result when atoms do not share their electrons equally.

Water is a polar molecule



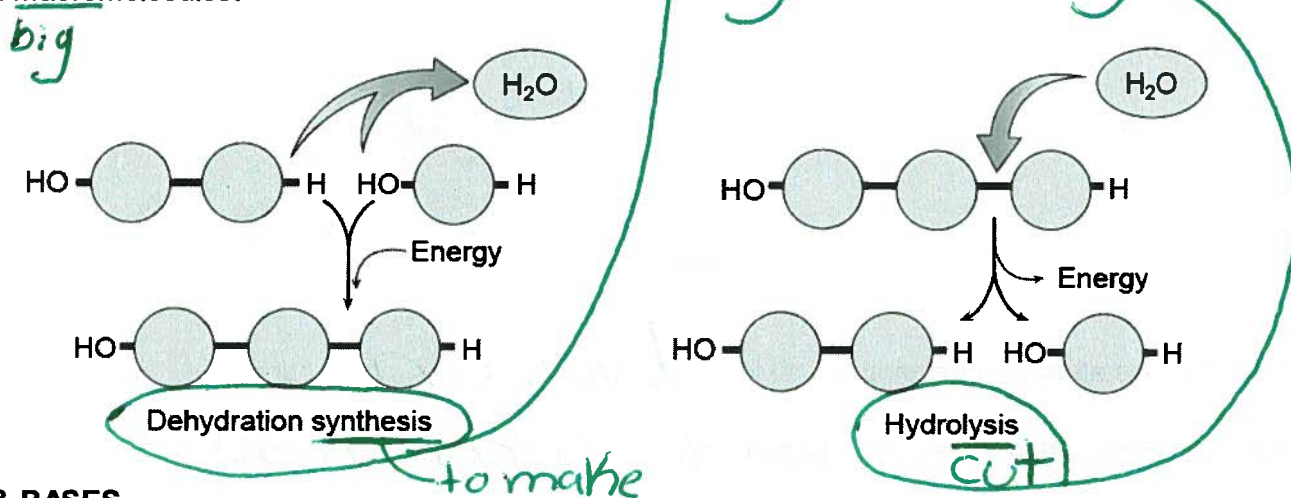
Water molecules attract to one another and form hydrogen bonds.

Hydrogen bonding is also known as van der Waals Forces.



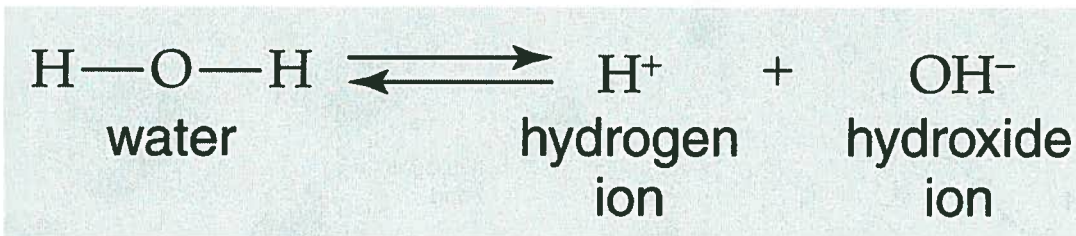
Property	Example
• Universal Solvent	Disolves & breaks down Solute (NaCl(salt), Sugar) $NaCl \rightarrow Na^+ + Cl^-$
• Cohesive & Adhesive	Co = water sticks to other water molecules Ad = water can stick to other polar molecules
• High Surface Tension	Greater attraction of water molecules @ surface. <i>ex. Insects walk on water</i>
• High Heat Capacity	water resists temperature change
• Density	water is less dense as a solid & more dense as a liquid. <i>Ice floats</i>

Water is important in **metabolism**. It is involved in making and breaking of chemical bonds in macromolecules.



**ACIDS & BASES**

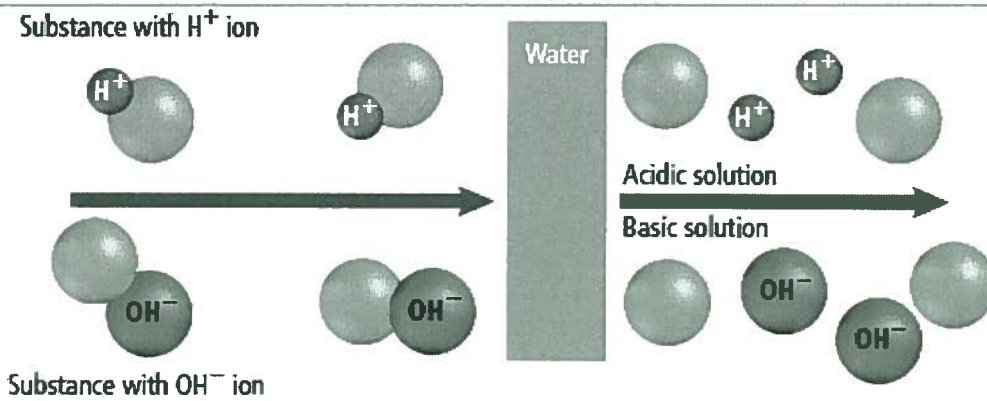
Water dissociates into a  $H^+$  hydrogen and  $OH^-$  Hydroxide ions.



Acids release  $H^+$  hydrogen ions or  $H_3O^+$  hydronium ions.

Bases release  $OH^-$  hydroxide ions.





**pH**

The pH scale is used to measure the concentration of  $H^+$  hydrogen ions.

The greater the  $H^+$  concentration the more acidic ..  
Bases have a low concentration of  $H^+$  ions.

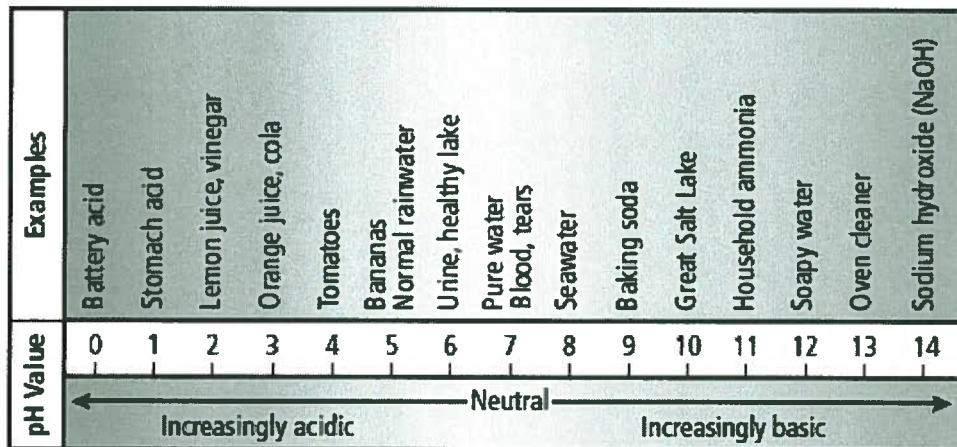
	[H <sup>+</sup> ] (moles per liter)	pH
0.000001	$= 1 \times 10^{-6}$	6
0.0000001	$= 1 \times 10^{-7}$	7
0.00000001	$= 1 \times 10^{-8}$	8

Acid  
 ↑  
 neutral  
 ↓  
 Base

Identify examples from the diagram below.

Acids		Bases		Neutral
Urine	weak	Seawater	weak	Blood
Battery acid	strong	NaOH	strong	Pure Water

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Buffers

help neutralize acids and bases to maintain a certain pH.

Many organisms need buffers to maintain a certain pH allowing them to maintain homeostasis.



Water	Soil	Plant
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Water  
Soil  
Plant

Water  
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Plant