SUMMARY

- 1. Some high fat foods such as potato chips are packaged in materials that protect them from light and oxygen and the containers are flooded with nitrogen to further exclude oxygen.
- 2. At times, to avoid the presence of oxygen altogether, vacuum packaging is used in some processed foodstuff.
- 3. In a physical change the shape, size, appearance or state of a substance may alter, but it is a temporary change, which is usually reversible. No new substance is formed, hence no change in the mass of the substance and no energy changes are involved.
- 4. In a chemical change, new substances are formed and energy changes are involved. There is a change in mass during the reaction and a permanent change takes place.
- 5. The chemical formula of a substance is the symbolic representation of the actual number of atoms present in one molecule of that substance.
- 6. A complete chemical equation represents the reactants, products and their physical states symbolically and is a balanced account of a chemical transaction.
- 7. A chemical equation is balanced so that the numbers of atoms of each type involved in a chemical reaction are the same on the reactant and product sides of the equation.
- 8. Equations must always be balanced. Equations are balanced by the hit and trial method.
- 9. The rate of a chemical reaction depends on temperature (heat), presence of light, presence of catalyst, application of pressure and the passage of electric current.
- 10. Chemical reactions that proceed with evolution of heat energy, that is, in which heat is given out along with the product, are called exothermic reactions.
- 11. Chemical reactions that proceed with the absorption of heat energy are called endothermic reactions.
- 12. Combination or synthesis is a reaction in which a new single compound is formed by the direct union of two or more substances.
- 13. Decomposition reactions are opposite to combination reactions. In a decomposition reaction a compound breaks down into two or more simple substances by the application of heat or electricity.

- 14. In a displacement reaction an atom or group present in a compound is replaced by another atom or group, without bringing any change in the structure of the molecule or compound.
- 15. In double displacement reactions two different atoms or groups of atoms (ions) of two compounds exchange their places and give rise to two new compounds.
- 16. In a precipitate reaction insoluble salts are produced.
- 17. A reversible reaction is one that can proceed in both the directions depending upon the conditions of the reaction.
- 18. A reversible thermal decomposition reaction is called thermal dissociation.
- 19. Oxidation is a reaction in which oxygen is added to a substance, or hydrogen is removed from a substance.
- 20. Reduction is a reaction in which oxygen is removed from a substance, or hydrogen is added to a substance.
- 21. Oxidation reactions cause corrosion on metals and rancidity on food stuffs.