Unit 14 – AP Review

2023 FRQ #7

Name ______ Period _____

7. Strontium hydroxide dissolves in water according to the following equation. The K_{sp} expression for strontium hydroxide is provided.

 $\operatorname{Sr}(\operatorname{OH})_2(s) \rightleftharpoons \operatorname{Sr}^{2+}(aq) + 2 \operatorname{OH}^-(aq) \quad K_{sp} = [\operatorname{Sr}^{2+}][\operatorname{OH}^-]^2$



a) A student draws the particulate diagram shown to represent the ions present in an aqueous solution of $Sr(OH)_2$. (Water molecules are intentionally omitted.) Identify the error in the student's drawing.

b) The student prepares a saturated solution by adding excess $Sr(OH)_{2(s)}$ to distilled water and stirring until no more solid dissolves. The student then determines that $[Sr^{2+}] = 0.043 M$ in the solution.

(i) Calculate the value of [OH⁻] in the solution.

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(ii) Calculate the value of K_{sp} for Sr(OH)₂.

c) The student prepares a second saturated solution of $Sr(OH)_2$ in aqueous 0.10 M $Sr(NO_3)_2$ instead of water. Will the value of $[OH^-]$ in the second solution be greater than, less than, or equal to the value in the first solution? Justify your answer. (Assume constant temperature.)