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5. What do you notice about the K values for each tray?
6. Did every tray have the same number of each type of molecule?
7. Can the amounts of reactants and products be different and the system still be at equilibrium?

Part 2

Now, we will look at systems that are not at equilibrium.

Q is for **Q**uestioning if you're at equilibrium

K is when you **K**now you're at equilibrium

Both values are calculated using the same mathematical equation; we just call them different things!

8. With your Q tray, count the number of each molecule present and record in table.

	How many H ₂ ?	How many I ₂ ?	How many HI?
Q			

9. Write the equation used to calculate Q.
10. Calculate Q for your Q tray. Same equation as K (Question 1) but we know we aren't at equilibrium, so we call it Q. Show your work.

If your calculation has you divide by zero, treat it as a very large number (>1000).

11. Compare the values of Q (from Question 10) and K (from Question 2). Circle one.

Q < K Q = K Q > K

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12. With your Q tray
- copy the values from Question 8 in the first row.
 - record the changes you make so that the Q tray looks like your K tray (i.e. +2, -1, 0).
 - record the final count of each species in the row labeled K. It should match the values from Question 2.

	How many H ₂ ?	How many I ₂ ?	How many HI?
Q			
Change			
K			

13. To make out Q tray look like the contents of the K tray, we had to...(describe what you did in words such as “break” and “make”.)

14. For every H₂ particle that changed, _____ I₂ particle(s) is(are) changed.

15. For every H₂ particle that changed, _____ HI particle(s) is(are) changed.

16. Groups will share data with the class. Compare your data to a group with a different answer to question 11. What do you notice?

Before you leave, rearrange the Q tray so it is back to the original configuration shown in Question 8.

17. Based on what you saw with data from your group and other groups, complete the following statements.

a. When $Q < K$,

b. When $Q > K$,

c. When $Q = K$,