CHEM 35 General Chemistry Quiz #3

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1. For the following reaction*:

$$MnO_4^- + H_2S \rightarrow Mn^{2+} + SO_4^{2-} + 2H^+$$

a. What are the oxidation states for Mn, S, and H in this reaction (both in the reactants and in the products)?

REACTANTS	PRODUCTS
$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{Mn}}} : \mathbf{x} + 4(-2) = -1 \\ \mathbf{X} = +7$	+2
$\underline{\mathbf{s}}$: 2(+1) + x = 0 X = -2	x + 4(-2) = -2 $x = +6$
<u>H</u> : +1	+1

b. Which compound undergoes oxidation and which compound undergoes reduction? Be sure to explain how you arrived at your answer!

Oxidation: loses electrons, incr. in oxidation #
S: -2 -> +6

Reduction: gains electrons, decr. in oxidation #
Mn: +7 -> +2

2. Identify the Lewis acid and the Lewis base in the following reaction (don't forget to explain how you arrived at your answer):

$$Ni^{2+} + 6H_2O \rightarrow Ni(H_2O)_6^{2+}$$

<u>Lewis Base</u>: electron pair donor -> the oxygen on water has two non-bonded electron pairs, making it a suitable donor

<u>Lewis Acid</u>: electron pair acceptor \rightarrow Ni^{2+} has the capacity to accept the electron pairs donated by the oxygens on water

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^{*} Yes, it is unbalanced – don't worry about that