Fe Lesson 12: Decomposition Reactions A compound is broken down to its elements -A difficult process that can require special equipment -Compound  $\rightarrow$  element + element Ex.) Write and balance the following decomposition reactions: - 1 1. Aluminium chloride to aluminium and chlorine  $2A|C|_{3(aq)} \longrightarrow 2A|_{(s)} + 3C|_{2(g)}$ 2. Solid potassium iodide to potassium and iodine  $2KI_{(s)} \rightarrow 2K_{(s)} + II_{2(s)}$ reactants products  $2KI_{(s)} + energy \rightarrow 2Krs) + |I_{2}rs)$ 

