

# ENERGY IN CHEMICAL REACTIONS

Syllabus reference 8.5.4

Answer the following questions. In questions 1–3 circle the correct answer.

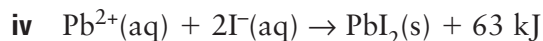
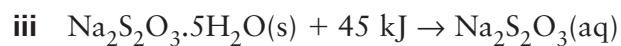
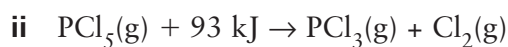
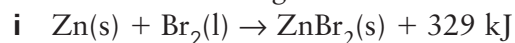
- Which of the following is *not* an indicator that a chemical reaction has taken place:
  - production of gas
  - formation of a precipitate
  - release or absorption of energy
  - solidification of a liquid
- Which of the following represent(s) a chemical reaction:
  - ice cubes forming in the freezer
  - dry ice boiling off in a theatrical performance
  - exhaust gases produced from a running motor
  - fog vaporising on a sunny morning
- In a combustion reaction:
  - oxygen is a product
  - heat is given out
  - oxygen is not usually required
  - carbon dioxide is a reactant
- Read the following statements and identify them as true (T) or false (F). Rewrite the false statements so that they are true.
  - Combustion is a process which produces carbon dioxide and water only.  
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  - An exothermic reaction is one in which heat energy is released.  
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  - All combustion reactions are endothermic.  
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  - When bonds are broken, energy is released and when bonds are formed, energy is absorbed.  
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  - Photosynthesis is an endothermic reaction.  
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  - In an exothermic reaction, the energy of the reactants is greater than that of the products.  
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5 Write a balanced equation for the complete combustion of ethane (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>).

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6 a Which of the following reactions are exothermic?



b If these reactions were carried out in thermally insulated containers, for which ones would the temperature of the mixture increase as the reaction occurred?

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7 Given the energy values in question 6, calculate the amount of heat released or absorbed (state which) when:

a 4.3 g zinc reacts with excess bromine

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b 18.2 g phosphorus pentachloride is decomposed

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8 a What is the difference between activation energy and ignition temperature?

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b What is the relationship between activation energy and ignition temperature?

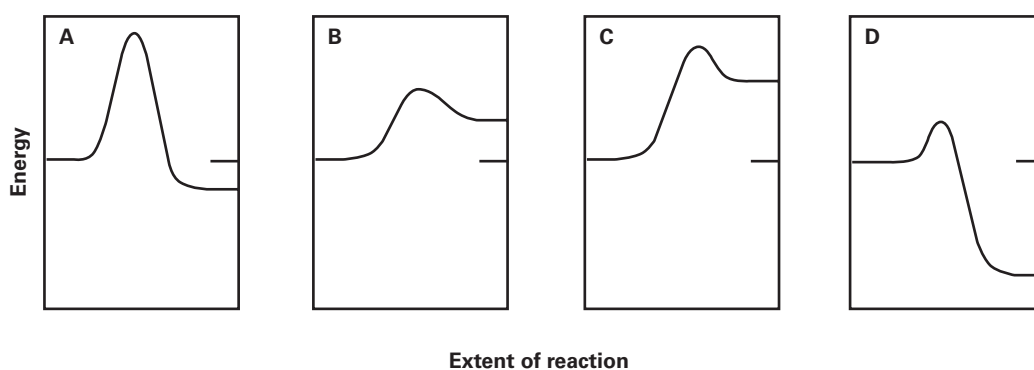
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9 Sketch energy profile diagrams for reactions having:

- a Absorbed 45 kJ/mol;  $E_a = 75$  kJ/mol
- b Released 90 kJ/mol;  $E_a = 140$  kJ/mol

10 Energy profiles for four reactions are shown below.



a Which reactions are exothermic and which endothermic?

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b Which has the numerically greatest enthalpy change and which the least?

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c Which has the greatest activation energy and which the least?

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11 To burn a candle, a wick is needed. The high ignition temperature of candle wax means it will not continue to burn unless a heat source is present to vaporise some of the wax to a temperature above its flash point to allow combustion to continue. Using the information provided above identify the changes in state involved in combustion of a burning candle.

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12 Complete the following table related to pollution from burning fossil fuels.

POLLUTANT	FORMULA	COMBUSTION REACTION	SOURCE OR CAUSE OF POLLUTANT	WAY/S IN WHICH POLLUTANT CAN BE MINIMISED OR AVOIDED
Carbon monoxide			Incomplete combustion of the fuel	
Sulfur dioxide		$S(s) + O_2(g) \rightarrow SO_2(g)$		Use low-sulfur coal, remove sulfur dioxide from effluent gas
Oxides of nitrogen	NO NO <sub>2</sub>			

13 a What are particulates?

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b What is the major source of particulates in the atmosphere?

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c How is the emission of particulates minimised?

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