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Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
1(a)	Award in either order for curveM1 curve is steeper than original and starts at the originM2 curve levels at the top line on the graph	2	"Steeper" requires line to be on the left of the original line, starting from the origin
1(b)	Award in either order for curveM1 curve is shallower than original and starts at the originM2 curve levels at the first line on the graph	2	"Shallower" requires line to be on the right of the original line, starting from the origin
1(c)	M1 curve would be steeper than originalM2 curve levels at the <u>same original volume</u> of O₂	2	"Steeper" requires line to be on the left of the original line, starting from the origin
1(d)	 M1 The (concentration / amount of) H₂O₂ or reactant falls / decreases / used up OR The number of H₂O₂ or reactant molecules/ particles falls / decreases M2 The rate of reaction / rate of decomposition / rate of formation of oxygen / frequency of collisions / (effective) collisions in a given time decreases / is slower 	2	Mark independently

1(e)(i)	$2H_2O_2 \longrightarrow 2H_2O + O_2$	1	Ignore state symbols Accept only this equation or its multiples Extra species must be crossed through
1(e)(ii)	hydrogen bromide / it does not appear in the overall equation	1	
	OR		
	hydrogen bromide / it is not <u>used up</u> in the reaction / <u>unchanged</u> <u>at the end</u> of the reaction		
	OR		
	hydrogen bromide / it is regenerated / re-formed (in Step 2)		

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
2(a)(i)	M1 (could be scored by a correct mathematical expression which <u>must</u> have <u>all</u> ΔH symbols and the \sum or SUM) M1 $\Delta H_r = \sum \Delta H_t$ (products) - $\sum \Delta H_t$ (reactants) OR a <u>correct cycle of balanced equations with</u> <u>1C, 3H_2 and 1O_2</u> M2 $\Delta H_r = -201 + (-242) - (-394)$ $\Delta H_r = -201 - 242 + 394$ $\Delta H_r = -443 + 394$ (This also scores M1) M3 = -49 (kJ mol ⁻¹) (Award 1 mark ONLY for + 49)	3	 Correct answer gains full marks Credit 1 mark ONLY for + 49 (kJ mol⁻¹) For other incorrect or incomplete answers, proceed as follows check for an arithmetic error (AE), which is either a transposition error or an incorrect multiplication; this would score 2 marks (M1 and M2) If no AE, check for a correct method; this requires either correct cycle of balanced equations with 1C, 3H₂ and 1O₂ OR a clear statement of M1 which could be in words and scores <u>only M1</u>
2(a)(ii)	It is an element / elemental OR By definition	1	Ignore reference to "standard state"

2(b)	M1 (The yield) increases / goes up / gets moreM2	3	If M1 is given as "decreases" / "no effect" / "no change" then CE= 0 for clip, but mark on only M2 and M3 from a blank M1
	There are <u>more moles / molecules</u> (of gas) on the left / of reactants		Ignore "volumes", "particles" "atoms" and "species" for M2
	OR <u>fewer moles / molecules (of gas)</u> on the right / products		
	OR there are <u>4 moles / molecules</u> (of gas) on the left <u>and 2</u> <u>moles / molecules</u> on the right.		
	OR (equilibrium) shifts / moves <u>to the side with less moles /</u> molecules		For M3 , <u>not</u> simply "to oppose the change"
	M3: Can only score M3 <u>if M2 is correct</u> The (position of) <u>equilibrium shifts / moves</u> (from left to right) to oppose the increase in pressure		For M3 credit the <u>equilibrium shifts / moves</u> (to right) to <u>lower / decrease the pressure</u> (There must be a <u>specific</u> reference to the change that is opposed)

2(c)	 M1 Yield increases / goes up M2 The (forward) reaction / to the right is <u>endothermic</u> OR <u>takes</u> in / absorbs heat OR The reverse reaction / to the left is <u>exothermic</u> OR <u>gives out</u> / releases heat Can only score M3 <u>if M2 is correct</u> M3 The (position of) <u>equilibrium shifts / moves</u> (from left to right) to oppose the increase in temperature (QoL) 	3	If M1 is given as "decrease" / "no effect" / "no change" then CE= 0 for clip, but mark on only M2 and M3 from a blank M1 For M3, <u>not</u> simply "to oppose the change" For M3, credit the (position of) <u>equilibrium shifts</u> / <u>moves (QoL)</u> to <u>absorb the heat</u> <i>OR</i> to <u>cool the reaction</u> <i>OR</i> to <u>lower the temperature</u> (There must be a <u>specific</u> reference to the change that is opposed)
2(d)(i)	An activity which has no <u>net / overall</u> (annual) carbon emissions to the atmosphere OR An activity which has no <u>net / overall</u> (annual) greenhouse gas emissions to the atmosphere. OR There is no change in the total amount / level of carbon dioxide / CO ₂ carbon /greenhouse gas present in the atmosphere.	1	The idea that the carbon / CO_2 given out equals the carbon / CO_2 that was taken in from the atmosphere
2(d)(ii)	$CH_3OH + 1\frac{1}{2}O_2 \longrightarrow CO_2 + 2H_2O$	1	Ignore state symbols Accept multiples

OR	$\begin{array}{rcccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1	Ignore state symbols Accept multiples Extra species must be crossed through
2(e) M1 OR M2 M3	q = m c ΔT q =140 x 4.18 x 7.5 = 4389 (J) OR 4.389 (kJ) OR 4.39 (kJ) OR 4.4 (kJ) (also scores M1) Using 0.0110 mol therefore $\Delta H = -399$ (kJmol ⁻¹) OR -400 +399 or +400 gains 2 marks	3	Award full marks for <u>correct answer</u> Ignore the case for each letter Penalise M3 ONLY if correct numerical answer but sign is incorrect; +399 gains 2 marks Penalise M2 for arithmetic error and mark on In M1 , do not penalise incorrect cases in the formula If $\Delta T = 280.5$; score q = m c ΔT only If c = 4.81 (leads to 5050.5) penalise M2 ONLY and mark on for M3 = - 459 Ignore incorrect units

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
3(a)	$2Ca_{5}F(PO_{4})_{3} + 9SiO_{2} + 15C \longrightarrow$ $9CaSiO_{3} + CaF_{2} + 15CO + 6P$	1	
3(b)	M1 $(P_4 =) 0$ M2 $(H_3PO_4 =)$ (+) 5	2	Accept Roman numeral V for M2
3(c)	$\begin{array}{ll} H_2SO_4 \\ \mathcal{M}_r &= 2(1.00794) + 32.06550 + 4(15.99491) \\ &= 98.06102 \ or \ 98.0610 \ or \ 98.061 \ or \ 98.061$	1	Both numbers required Calculations not required
3(d)(i)	A substance that <u>speeds up</u> a reaction OR <u>alters / increases the</u> <u>rate</u> of a reaction AND is <u>chemically unchanged at the end / not</u> <u>used up</u> .	1	Both ideas needed Ignore reference to activation energy or alternative route.
3(d)(ii)	The addition of water (QoL) to a molecule / compound	1	QoL- for the underlined words

3(d)(iii)	M1 $CH_3CH=CH_2 + H_2O \longrightarrow CH_3CH(OH)CH_3$ (C ₃ H ₆) M2 propan-2-ol	2	For M1 insist on correct structure for the alcohol but credit correct equations using either C_3H_6 or double bond not given.
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Question		Mark	Comments
4(a)	Ti is not produced <i>OR</i> TiC / <u>carbide</u> is produced OR titanium reacts with carbon <i>OR</i> Product is brittle <i>OR</i> Product is a poor engineering material	1	Penalise "titanium carbonate" Ignore "impure titanium" Credit "it / titanium is brittle"
4(b)(i)	$FeTiO_3 + 3\frac{1}{2}CI_2 + 3C \longrightarrow FeCI_3 + TiCI_4 + 3CO$	1	Ignore state symbols Credit multiples
4(b)(ii)	FeCl ₃ + TiCl ₄ + 7Na \longrightarrow 7NaCl + Fe + Ti OR (for example) 2FeCl ₃ + TiCl ₄ + 10Na \longrightarrow 10NaCl + 2Fe + Ti	1	Ignore state symbols Credit multiples including ratios other than 1:1 Ignore working

4(c)	 Either order M1 The Cu²⁺ / copper(II) ions / they have gained (two) electrons OR Cu²⁺ + 2e⁻ → Cu OR oxidation state / number decreases (or specified from 2 to 0) M2 The Cu²⁺ / copper(II) ions / they have been reduced 	2	Penalise reference to incorrect number of electrons in M1 For M1 , accept "copper" if supported by correct half-equation or simplest ionic equation Ignore charge on the electron For M2 do not accept "copper" alone
4(d)	$20^{2-} \rightarrow 0_2 + 4e^-$	1	Or multiples including $3O^{2-} \rightarrow 1.5 O_2 + 6e^{-}$ Ignore state symbols Ignore charge on the electron Credit the electrons being subtracted on the LHS

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
5(a)(i)	$Ba + 2H_2O \longrightarrow Ba(OH)_2 + H_2$	1	Ignore state symbols
			Credit multiples and correct ionic equations
5(a)(ii)	(Reactivity with water) increase(s) / increasing / increasing the Group / from Mg to Ba)	sed (down 1	Accept "greater" or "gets more" or similar words to that effect.
			Ignore reference to "increase in solubility / gets more soluble"
5(b)	Mg(OH) ₂	1	Accept Mg ²⁺ (OH ⁻) ₂ / Mg(HO) ₂
			Insist on brackets and correct case
5(c)	M1 Barium meal / barium swallow / barium enema (internal) X-ray or to block X-rays	or 2	Accept a correct reference to M1 written in the explanation in M2 , unless contradictory
			For M2 NOT barium ions
	M2 <u>BaSO₄ / barium sulfate is insoluble</u> (and therefore not	ore not	NOT barium
	toxic)		NOT barium meal and NOT "It"
			Ignore radio-tracing

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
6(a)(i)	M1 Initiation $Cl_2 \longrightarrow 2Cl_{\bullet}$ M2 First propagation $Cl_{\bullet} + CH_2Cl_2 \longrightarrow {\bullet}CHCl_2 + HCl$ M3 Second propagation $Cl_2 + {\bullet}CHCl_2 \longrightarrow CHCl_3 + Cl_{\bullet}$	3	 Penalise absence of dot once only. Penalise + or – charges every time Accept dot anywhere on CHCl₂ radical but if the structure is drawn out, the dot must be on the carbon atom. Penalise this error once only Penalise once only for a line and two dots to show a bond. Penalise once only for double headed curly arrows Mark independently
6(a)(ii)	 M1 Condition ultra-violet / uv / sun light OR <u>high</u> temperature OR 400°C ≤ T ≤ 900 °C M2 Type of mechanism (free-) radical substitution (mechanism) 	2	
6(b)(i)	$CHCI_3 + CI_2 \longrightarrow CCI_4 + HCI$	1	Allow X as alternative to CCI_4 only if X is clearly identified as CCI_4

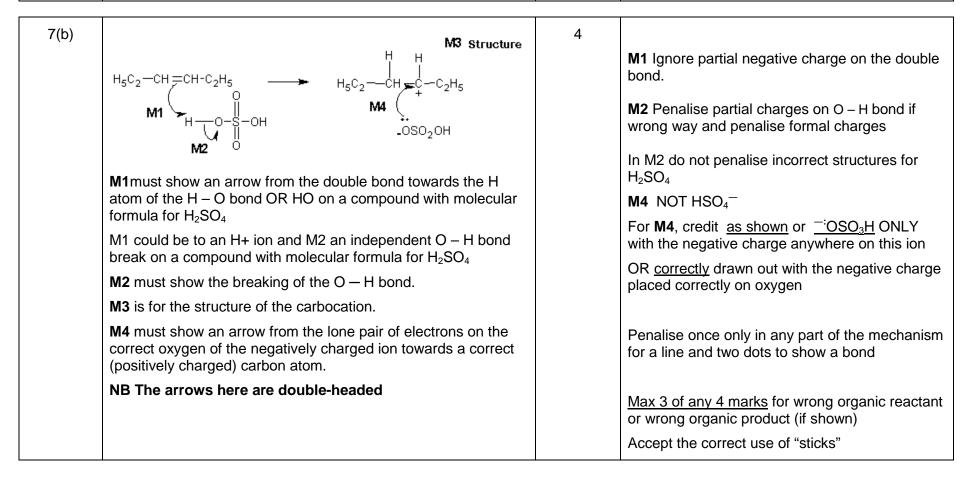
6(b)(ii)	M1 <i>Ol</i>	<u>Trichloromethane / CHCI₃ has a C–H bond</u> R <u>X / CCI₄ / it has no C-H bond</u>	2	M1 must refer to presence or absence of the <u>C–H bond in a compound</u>
	M2	The infrared spectrum shows (absorption / peak for C–H in range) <u>2850 to 3300</u> (cm ⁻¹) <u>is missing</u>		M2 answer must refer to / imply the spectrum Allow the words "dip" OR "spike" OR "low transmittance" as alternatives for absorption. Ignore references to other absorptions.

6(c)	M1 a statement about bond breakage / formation of Cl• <u>C-Cl</u> / <u>carbon-chlorine bond breakage</u> occurs OR Cl• / chlorine (free) radical <u>forms</u> OR correct equation CHCIF ₂ → Cl• + •CHF ₂	4	Penalise M1 , if CI• is formed from CI ₂ as the only reaction or an additional reaction Do not penalise an incorrect equation using CHCIF ₂ if correct reference is made to CI• formation or C-CI / carbon-chlorine bond
	M2 CI• + O ₃ \longrightarrow CIO• + O ₂ M3 CIO• + O ₃ \longrightarrow CI• + 2O ₂ M4 CHCIF ₂ / chlorine-containing compounds/ CFCs <u>damage /</u> react with / decrease the ozone layer <i>OR</i> this overall decomposition occurs; 2O ₃ \longrightarrow 3O ₂ <i>OR</i> without an ozone layer or with a decreased ozone layer, uv radiation is not being "filtered" / prevented from passing through the atmosphere or there is a concern about an increase in skin cancer etc. <i>OR</i>		 breakage M2 and M3 either order Penalise absence of dot once only. Accept dot anywhere on CIO radical Award M4 for the general idea behind the EU justification for banning the use of CFCs as refrigerants Penalise M4 if overall ozone decomposition equation is incorrect Ignore "greenhouse effect", "global warming" etc.
	Cl• catalyses the decomposition of ozone / a single Cl• causes (chain) reaction / decomposition of many ozone molecules / ozone layer		

6(d)(i)	H F C CCF I H F F	1	All bonds must be drawn out
6(d)(ii)	2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene / it does not contain chlorine (atoms) / C-CI (bonds)	1	Ignore "chlorine molecules"
	OR		
	It does not produce CI• / does not produce chlorine (free) radical(s)		
	OR		
	chlorodifluoromethane does contain chlorine / does produce Cl• / does produce chlorine (free) radical(s)		
	OR		
	C–F is too strong and does not break / create radicals		
	OR		
	C–F is stronger than C–CI		

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
7(a)(i)	$\begin{array}{c} M1\\ H \stackrel{\frown}{\longrightarrow} M2\\ H_{3} \stackrel{\frown}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\frown}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\frown}{\longrightarrow} M3\end{array}$ M1 must show an arrow from the lone pair on oxygen negatively charged hydroxide ion to the correct H atom M2 must show an arrow from the correct C-H bond to correct C-C bond. Only award if an arrow is shown att the H atom of the correct C-H bond in M1 M3 is independent but CE=0 if nucleophilic substitut N.B these are double- headed arrows	n the <u>acking</u>	Penalise one mark from <u>their</u> total if half-headed arrows are used Penalise M3 for formal charge on C of the C-Br or incorrect partial charges on C-Br Ignore other partial charges Penalise once only in any part of the mechanism for a line and two dots to show a bond.
7(a)(ii)	M1 E isomer M2 Z isomer $H \rightarrow C \rightarrow C_2H_5$ $H \rightarrow C \rightarrow C_2$ H_5C_2 $H \rightarrow H_5C_2$ H_5C_2 H_5	er 2 H C ₂ H ₅	Award 1 mark if both correct stereoisomers but in the wrong places Accept no other alkenes. Be reasonably lenient on the bonds to ethyl (or to CH_2CH_3) since the question is about E and Z positions but penalise once only if connection is clearly to the CH_3 of CH_2CH_3 Accept linear structures

ſ	7(a)(iii)	M1 (Compounds / molecules with) the same structural formula	2	Penalise M1 if "same structure"
		M2 with atoms/bonds/groups arranged differently in space		Ignore references to " same molecular formula"
		OR		or "same empirical formula" or any reference to "displayed formula"
		atoms/bonds/groups that have different spatial arrangements / different orientation.		Mark independently



Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
8(a)	M1 Safety (in Process 1)	2	
	Sodium hydroxide / alkali is corrosive / harmful / caustic		Ignore references to chromium compounds
	or <u>sodium hydroxide</u> is <u>alkali(ne</u>)		
	OR		
	Bromine compounds are toxic / poisonous		"Carbon-neutral" alone is insufficient for M2
	M2 Environmental		Ignore references to greenhouse gases
	Process 2 could be used as a carbon sink / for carbon capture		
	OR		
	<u>uses waste / recycled CO_2 / CO_2 from the factory / CO_2 from the bioethanol (or biofuel) production</u>		
	OR		
	reduces or limits the amount of $\underline{CO_2}$ released / given out (into the atmosphere)		
	OR		
	Process 2 uses <u>renewable</u> glucose <i>I</i> <u>renewable</u> resource(s)		

M2 ··· L J OH N2 must show an arrow from the lone pair of electrons on the oxygen atom of the negatively charged hydroxide ion to the C atom. M3 must show the movement of a pair of electrons from the C- Br bond to the Br atom. Mark M3 independently provided it is from the <u>original molecule</u> Penalise one mark from M2 or M3 if half-hear arrows are used Penalise M3 for formal charge on C of the C or incorrect partial charges on C-Br Penalise once only for a line and two dots to show a bond. For M2 and M3, maximum 1 of 2 marks for t mechanism if wrong reactant is used.	8(b)(i)	M1 <u>nucleophilic substitution</u>	3	For M1 , both words required
Accept the correct use of "sticks		M2 GH M2 must show an arrow from the lone pair of electrons on the oxygen atom of the negatively charged hydroxide ion to the C atom. M3 must show the movement of a pair of electrons from the C- Br bond to the Br atom. Mark M3 independently provided it is from the <u>original molecule</u>		 Penalise M3 for formal charge on C of the C-Br or incorrect partial charges on C-Br Penalise once only for a line and two dots to show a bond. For M2 and M3, maximum 1 of 2 marks for the mechanism if wrong reactant is used. Penalise M3 if an extra arrow is drawn from the
		NB The arrows here are double-headed		
8(b)(ii) M1 B 3				

	M3 A		
	M2 C		
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8(c)	M1 fermentationThree conditions in any order for M2 to M4M2 (enzymes from) yeast or zymaseM3 $25^{\circ}C \le T \le 42^{\circ}C$ OR $298 \text{ K} \le T \le 315 \text{ K}$ M4 anaerobic / no oxygen / no air OR neutral pH	4	Mark M2 to M4 independently Penalise "bacteria" and "phosphoric acid" using the list principle Ignore reference to "aqueous" or "water", "closed container", "pressure, "lack of oxygen", "concentration of ethanol" and "batch process" (i.e. not part of the list principle)
8(d)	M1 primary OR 1° (alcohol) M2 <u>acidified potassium or sodium dichromate</u> <i>OR</i> H ₂ SO ₄ / K ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ OR H ⁺ / K ₂ Cr ₂ O ₇ <i>OR</i> correct combination of formula and name M3 HOCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH + 4[O] \longrightarrow HOOCCH ₂ CH ₂ COOH + 2H ₂ O	3	Mark independentlyFor M2, it must be a whole reagent and/or correct formulaeDo not penalise incorrect attempt at formula if name is correct or <i>vice versa</i> Accept phonetic spellingIf oxidation state given in name, it must be correct.For M2 accept acidified potassium manganate(VII)For M3 structures must be correct and not molecular formula

Question	Marking Guidance	Mark	Comments
9(a)(i)	M1 iodine $OR I_2 OR I_3^-$	3	Ignore state symbols
			Credit M1 for "iodine solution"
	$M2 Cl_2 + 2l^- \longrightarrow 2Cl^- + l_2$		
	OR		Penalise multiples in M2 except those shown
	$\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Cl}_2 + 1^- \longrightarrow \operatorname{Cl}^- + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{l}_2$		
			M2 accept correct use of I_3^-
	M3 redox or reduction-oxidation or displacement		
9(a)(ii)	M1 (the white precipitate is) silver chloride	3	M1 <u>must be named</u> and for <u>this mark</u> ignore incorrect formula
	M2 Ag⁺ + CI [−] → AgCI		For M2 ignore state symbols
	M2 (white) precipitate / it disach/co		Penalise multiples
	M3 (white) precipitate / it <u>dissolves</u>		Ignore references to "clear" alone
	OR colourless solution		
9(b)(i)	M1 H_2SO_4 + 2Cl ⁻ 2HCl + SO_4^{2-}	2	For M1 ignore state symbols
	OR H ₂ SO ₄ + Cl ⁻ \longrightarrow HCl + HSO ₄ ⁻		Penalise multiples for equations and apply the
	OR H+ + CI ⁻ → HCI		list principle
	M2 hydrogen chloride OR HCI OR hydrochloric acid		

9(b)(ii)	M1 a	nd M2 in either order	4	For M1 and M2 , ignore state symbols and credit multiples
	M1	$2l^{-} \longrightarrow l_{2} + 2e^{-}$ OR $8l^{-} \longrightarrow 4l_{2} + 8e^{-}$		Do not penalise absence of charge on the electron Credit electrons shown correctly on the other
	M2	H₂SO₄ + 8H⁺ + 8e⁻ → H₂S + 4H₂O		side of each equation
	OR	SO_4^{2-} + 10H ⁺ + 8e ⁻ \longrightarrow H ₂ S + 4H ₂ O		Additional equations should not contradict
	M3 OR	oxidising agent / oxidises the iodide (ions)		
		electron acceptor		
	M4	sulfur OR S OR S ₂ OR S ₈ OR sulphur		

9(b)(iii)	M1 OR	The <u>NaOH / OH⁻ / (sodium) hydroxide reacts with /</u> <u>neutralises the H⁺ / acid / HBr</u> (lowering its concentration) a correct neutralisation equation for H ⁺ or HBr with NaOH or with hydroxide ion	3	Ignore reference to NaOH reacting with bromide ions Ignore reference to NaOH reacting with HBrO alone In M2 , answers must refer to the (position of)
	M2 The (p	Requires a correct statement for M1		equilibrium shifts / moves and is not enough to state simply that it / the system / the reaction shifts to oppose the change.
	ŭ	 to replace the H⁺ / acid / HBr that has been removed / lost 		
		 OR to increase the H⁺ / acid / HBr concentration OR to make more H⁺ / acid / HBr / product(s) 		
		 OR to <u>oppose the loss of H⁺ / loss of product(s)</u> OR to <u>oppose the decrease in concentration</u> of 		
		product(s)		
	М3 <i>ОR</i>	The (health) benefit outweighs the risk or wtte		
	OR	a clear statement that once it has done its job, little of it remains		
		used in (very) dilute concentrations / small amounts / low doses		

General principles applied to marking CHEM2 papers by CMI+ June 2012

It is important to note that the guidance given here is generic and specific variations may be made at individual standardising meetings in the context of particular questions and papers.

Basic principles

- Examiners should note that throughout the mark scheme, items that are underlined are required information to gain credit.
- Occasionally an answer involves incorrect chemistry and the mark scheme records CE = 0, which means a chemical error has occurred and no credit is given for that section of the clip or for the whole clip.

A. The "List principle" and the use of "ignore" in the mark scheme

If a question requires **one** answer and a candidate gives two answers, no mark is scored if one answer is correct and one answer is incorrect. There is no penalty if both answers are correct.

N.B. Certain answers are designated in the mark scheme as those which the examiner should "Ignore". These answers are not counted as part of the list and should be ignored and will not be penalised.

B. Incorrect case for element symbol

The use of an incorrect case for the symbol of an element should be penalised **once only** within a clip.

For example, penalise the use of "h" for hydrogen, "CL" for chlorine or "br" for bromine.

C. Spelling

In general

- The names of chemical compounds and functional groups **must be spelled correctly** to gain credit.
- Phonetic spelling may be acceptable for some chemical terminology.

N.B. Some terms may be required to be spelled correctly or an idea needs to be articulated with clarity, as part of the "Quality of Language" (**QoL**) marking. These will be identified in the mark scheme and marks are awarded only if the QoL criterion is satisfied.

D. Equations

In general

- Equations **must** be balanced.
- When an equation is worth two marks, one of the marks in the mark scheme will be allocated to one or more of the reactants or products. This is independent of the equation balancing.
- State symbols are <u>generally</u> ignored, unless specifically required in the mark scheme.

E. <u>Reagents</u>

The command word "Identify", allows the candidate to choose to use **either** the name or the formula of a reagent in their answer. In some circumstances, the list principle may apply when both the name and the formula are used. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

The guiding principle is that a reagent is a chemical which can be taken out of a bottle or container. Failure to identify complete reagents **will be penalised**, but follow-on marks (e.g. for a subsequent equation or observation) can be scored from an incorrect attempt (possibly an incomplete reagent) at the correct reagent. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

For example, no credit would be given for

- the cyanide ion or CN⁻ when the reagent should be potassium cyanide or KCN;
- the hydroxide ion or OH⁻ when the reagent should be sodium hydroxide or NaOH;
- the Ag(NH₃)₂⁺ ion when the reagent should be Tollens' reagent (or ammoniacal silver nitrate). In this example, no credit is given for the ion, but credit could be given for a correct observation following on from the use of the ion. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

In the event that a candidate provides, for example, **both** KCN and cyanide ion, it would be usual to ignore the reference to the cyanide ion (because this is not contradictory) and credit the KCN. Specific details will be given in mark schemes.

F. Oxidation states

In general, the sign for an oxidation state will be assumed to be positive unless specifically shown to be negative.

G. Marking calculations, such as those involving enthalpy changes

In general

- The sign for an enthalpy change will be assumed to be positive unless specifically shown to be negative.
- A correct answer alone will score full marks unless the necessity to show working is specifically required in the question.
- A correct numerical value with the **wrong sign** will usually score **only one mark**.

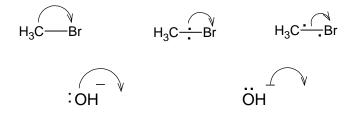
All other values gain no credit except

- Two marks can be awarded for correct chemistry with an arithmetic error.
- One mark can be awarded for a <u>correct</u> mathematical statement (or cycle) for the method.

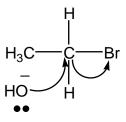
H. Organic reaction mechanisms

Curly arrows should originate either from a lone pair of electrons or from a bond.

The following representations should not gain credit and will be penalised each time within a clip.



For example, the following would score zero marks



When the curly arrow is showing the formation of a bond to an atom, the arrow can go directly to the relevant atom, alongside the relevant atom or **more than half-way** towards the relevant atom.

In free-radical substitution

- The absence of a radical dot should be penalised **once only** within a clip.
- The use of double-headed arrows or the incorrect use of half-headed arrows in free-radical mechanisms should be penalised **once only** within a clip

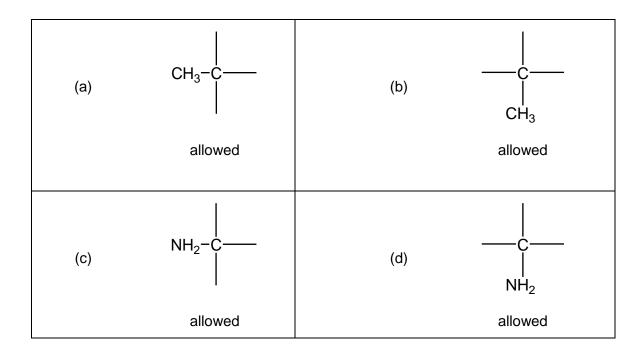
In mass spectrometry fragmentation equations, the absence of a radical dot on the molecular ion and on the free-radical fragment would be considered to be two independent errors and both would be penalised if they occurred within the same clip.

I. Organic structures

In general

- Displayed formulae must show all of the bonds and all of the atoms in the molecule, but need not show correct bond angles.
- Bonds should be drawn correctly between the relevant atoms.
 For example, if candidates show the alcohol functional group as C HO, they should be penalised on every occasion.
- Latitude should be given to the representation of C C bonds in structures, given that CH₃– is considered to be interchangeable with H₃C– even though the latter would be preferred.
- Poor presentation of vertical C CH₃ bonds or C NH₂ bonds should **not** be penalised. For the other functional groups, such as
 – OH and CN, the limit of tolerance is the half-way position between the vertical bond and the relevant atoms in the attached group.

By way of illustration, the following would apply



- In most cases, the use of "sticks" to represent C H bonds in a structure should **not** be penalised. The exceptions will include structures in mechanisms when the C H bond is essential (e.g. elimination reactions in haloalkanes) and when a displayed formula is required.
- Some examples are given here of structures for specific compounds that should not gain credit

CH₃COH	for	ethanal	
CH ₃ CH ₂ HO	for	ethanol	

OHCH ₂ CH ₃	for	ethanol
C_2H_6O	for	ethanol
CH_2CH_2	for	ethene
$CH_2.CH_2$	for	ethene

N.B. Exceptions may be made in the context of balancing equations

• Each of the following **should gain credit** as alternatives to correct representations of the structures.

$CH_2 = CH_2$	for	ethene, $H_2C=CH_2$
CH ₃ CHOHCH ₃	for	propan-2-ol, $CH_3CH(OH)CH_3$

J. Organic names

As a general principle, non-IUPAC names or incorrect spelling or incomplete names should **not** gain credit. Some illustrations are given here.

but-2-ol	should be butan-2-ol
2-hydroxybutane	should be butan-2-ol
butane-2-ol	should be butan-2-ol

2-butanol ethan-1,2-diol	should be butan-2-ol should be ethane-1,2-diol
2-methpropan-2-ol	should be 2-methylpropan-2-ol
2-methylbutan-3-ol	should be 3-methylbutan-2-ol
3-methylpentan 3-mythylpentane 3-methypentane	should be 3-methylpentane should be 3-methylpentane should be 3-methylpentane
propanitrile	should be propanenitrile
aminethane	should be ethylamine (although aminoethane can gain credit)
2-methyl-3-bromobutane 3-bromo-2-methylbutane 3-methyl-2-bromobutane	should be 2-bromo-3-methylbutane should be 2-bromo-3-methylbutane should be 2-bromo-3-methylbutane
2-methylbut-3-ene	should be 3-methylbut-1-ene
difluorodichloromethane	should be dichlorodifluoromethane