



Knowledge check

Subject area: Organic chemistry

Level: 14-16 years (Higher)

Topic: Alcohols

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- 1. These six molecules include alkanes, alkenes and alcohols.
- a) State which molecules belong to which group.

Write your answer underneath each molecular structure.

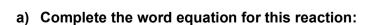
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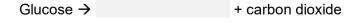
b) Name each of the substances in part a).

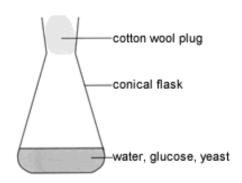
Write your answer in the same boxes.

- c) Using one of the molecules shown, circle the alcohol functional group.
- 2. Janice and Matt set up this equipment then waited for one week.

A chemical reaction takes place in which new substances are made.









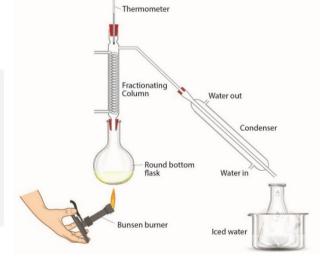
b) Complete the symbol equation for the reaction.

$$C_6H_{12}O_6(aq) \rightarrow 2$$
 (aq) + 2 (g)

- c) What is the name given to the type of reaction taking place?
- d) Explain why yeast is used in the experiment.

Janice and Matt then add the mixture from the conical flask to the round-bottom flask in a different experiment.

e) What is the purpose of this new experiment?



f) Explain how this experiment works.

Source: Royal Society of Chemistry

- g) What is the name of this technique or experiment?
- h) Give two uses of alcohols.





3. Ravi carries out an experiment with a mixture of ethanol dissolved in water.

He leaves the ethanol open to the air for two weeks.

He notices that a very slow chemical reaction takes place.

He removes a few drops of his new mixture and adds some universal indicator solution.

He notices that the indicator turns orange.

- a) What type of substance has formed?
- b) What is the name of the new organic product formed?
- c) State the name of the chemical substance that reacts with ethanol in this reaction.
- d) What type of reaction has taken place?
- e) Ravi knows that a different chemical substance could be added to ethanol to make the same product, but a lot faster.

State the name of this substance.

f) Complete the chemical equation that shows the reaction taking place:

$$C_2H_5OH + 2[O] \rightarrow$$
_____+ H₂O

g) Complete the diagram to show the structure of the new organic product made.

