

Alcohols: knowledge check

1.1 The table shows four different representations of a molecule of the alcohol ethanol.

Use the words provided to identify each of the representations and circle the alcohol functional group shown in each image. One representation and one alcohol functional group has been identified for you.

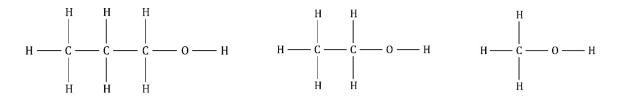
displayed structural formula molecular formula ball and stick model

A	B H H C C C H H H	C CH₃CH₂OH	D C ₂ H ₅ OH
		condensed structural formula	

1.2 The table on page 2 includes the names, molecular formulas, condensed structural formulas and displayed structural formulas for the first four members of the alcohols homologous series.



Use the formulas provided to complete the table.



CH₃OH C₄H₉OH C₂H₅OH CH₃CH₂CH₂OH

Name	Molecular formula	Condensed structural formula	Displayed structural formula
methanol		СН₃ОН	
ethanol		CH₃CH2OH	
propan-1-ol	C ₃ H ₇ OH		
butan-1-ol		CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	H H H H H H C — C — C — C — O — H

1.3 Select the correct term from the brackets to complete the sentences.

Alcohols are a homologous series with the functional group [COOH/OH].

The general formula of alcohols is $[C_nH_{2n+1}OH/C_nH_{2n}OH]$.

All alcohols have names ending in [-al/-ol].

Alcohols with three or more carbon atoms in their molecules have

[letters/numbers] in their names to show the position of the -OH group.

The [chemical/physical] properties of alcohols, such as boiling points, vary gradually as the molecules increase in size.

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1.4 Select the correct number or words from those provided in the list to complete the sentences and equations. Some may be used twice.

ethanoic acid hydrogen	2 3	
combustion chemical oxidi	sed C ₂ H ₅ (ОН
All alcohols have similar proj	perties.	
Alcohols reacts with oxygen in	_reactions. Th	ne equation for
the complete combustion of ethanol is:		
$C_2H_5OH + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} O_2 \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{1cm}} CO$	2 +	_H ₂ O
If a small piece of sodium is dropped into an alc	ohol, it reacts	steadily and
gives off gas. A solution of so	dium ethoxide	e is produced.
Alcohols can also be to form	ı carboxylic ad	cids using an
oxidising agent such as potassium manganate('II).	
The equation for the oxidation of ethanol is:		
$\underline{\qquad} + 2[0] \rightarrow CH_3$	COOH + H ₂	0
The carboxylic acid produced is named		

propanone

ethanal



Alcohols: test myself

2.1 Which compound is an alcohol?

ethanoic acid decan-1-ol propane

2.2 A molecule of pentan-1-ol has five carbon atoms.

What is its molecular formula?

C₄H₉OH C₅H₁₀OH C₅H₁₁OH C₆H₁₃OH

2.3 What is the name of the carboxylic acid produced when butan-1-ol is oxidised?

ethanoic acid butanoic acid hydrochloric acid propanoic acid

2.4 What are the two missing products in the equation representing the oxidation of propan-1-ol?

O₂ CH₃CH₂COOH CH₃COOH CH₃CH₂OH H₂O

CH₃CH₂CH₂OH + 2[O] \rightarrow _____ + ____

2.5 Use the numbers and formulas provided to complete the balanced symbol equation for the complete combustion of propan-1-ol.

2 6 8 9 CO₂ H₂O

 $C_3H_7OH + O_2 \rightarrow + +$

2.6 Ethanol can be produced industrially from ethene gas. What is ethene reacted with to produce ethanol in this process?

steam hydrogen ethanoic acid oxygen

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fermentation



2.7	Ethanol co	an also be	produced	from biom	iass such c	as sugar beet

(a) What is the name of the process used?

hydrogenation

(b) Select the three conditions, from those provided, that are required to produce ethanol from biomass.

temperature between 0 and 20°C temperature between 25 and 35°C temperature between 50 and 60°C addition of protein addition of sugar solution addition of solid sugar addition of yeast

combustion

The conditions are:

hydration

- 2.8 Ethanol can be separated from a mixture of ethanol and water.
 - (a) What is the name of the process used to separate the ethanol?

evaporation fractional distillation crystallisation filtration

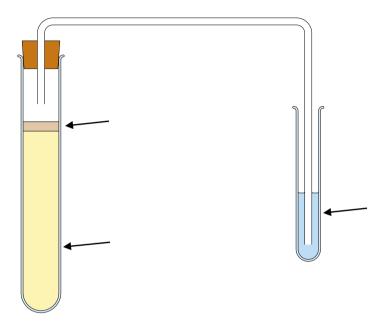
(b) What difference in property does the separation of ethanol and water depend on when using the method identified in (a)?

> boiling points solubilities densities reactivity



Alcohols: feeling confident?

3.1 The image shows the apparatus used by learners to prepare a solution of ethanol.

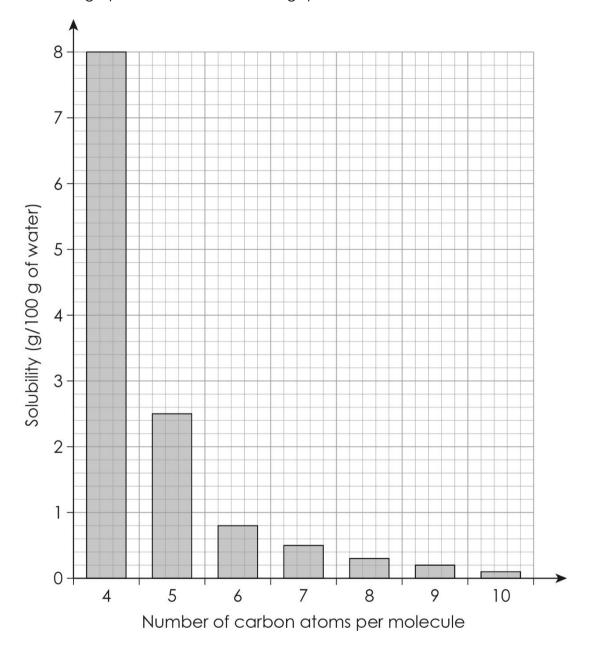


Use the words provided to label the apparatus and complete the sentences to describe this process.

	enzymes	carbon diox	cide lime	ewater	
yeast and gluc	ose solution	CO_2	oil layer	catalyst	milky
The	in yeast	tactasa		and conve	rt:
glucose into eth	anol and		The gas p	roduced bubb	oles
through the lime	ewater and turr	ns it	т	he equation fo	or the
reaction is:					
	$C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2C_2$	₂ H ₅ OH +			

3.2 The graph shows how the solubility of alcohols in water changes as the number of carbon atoms in the molecules increase.

Use the graph to answer the following questions.



(a) Which is more soluble in water, butan-1-ol (with four carbon atoms per molecule) or hexan-1-ol (with six carbon atoms per molecule)?

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(D)	how many grams of pentan-1-of (with five carbon atoms per molecule)	
	dissolve in 100 g water?	
(C)	What conclusion can be made about the relationship between the	
	number of carbon atoms per molecule and the solubility of the alcohol?	
	As the number of carbon atoms per molecule increases, the solubility of	
	the alcohol	
(d)	What would you expect to see when decan-1-ol (with ten carbon atoms	S
	per molecule) is mixed with water?	
	I would expect to see because	se



Alcohols: what do I understand?

Think about your answers and confidence level for each mini-topic. Decide whether you understand it well, are unsure or need more help. Tick the appropriate column.

Mini-topic	I understand this well	I think I understand this	I need more help
I know that alcohols are a homologous series.			
I can identify the functional group and molecular and general formulae of alcohols.			
I can draw the condensed structural and displayed structural formulas of alcohols.			
I understand how alcohols are named.			
I can describe the combustion reactions of alcohols.			
I can describe the reactions of alcohols with sodium metal and with oxidising agents.			
I can describe how ethanol is produced industrially.			
I can describe the process of fermentation.			
Feeling confident? topics	l understand this well	I think I understand this	I need more help
I can answer extending questions on fermentation.			
I can describe the solubility of alcohols.			