

**Victoria Junior College**  
**2016 JC2 H1 Chemistry Prelim Paper 1**  
**Suggested Answers**

No.	Ans	No.	Ans	No.	Ans
1	D	11	C	21	D
2	B	12	C	22	A
3	A	13	C	23	D
4	D	14	C	24	D
5	B	15	A	25	B
6	C	16	B	26	A
7	D	17	C	27	A
8	C	18	B	28	B
9	C	19	B	29	D
10	A	20	A	30	B

1 D

OF<sub>2</sub> is oxidised to F<sub>2</sub> where the oxidation number of F changes from -1 to 0.

OF<sub>2</sub> is reduced to SO<sub>3</sub> where the oxidation number of O changes from +2 to -2.

SO<sub>2</sub> is oxidised to SO<sub>3</sub> where the oxidation number of S changes from +4 to +6.

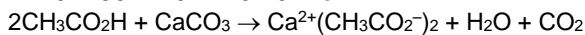
2 B

Mass of CaCO<sub>3</sub> in one chicken's egg shell

$$= 50 \times \frac{5}{100} = 2.5 \text{ g}$$

No. of moles of CaCO<sub>3</sub> in one chicken's egg shell  
 $= 2.5 \div 100.1 = 0.025 \text{ mol}$

No. of moles of ethanoic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H used  
 $= 2.0 \times 50 \times 10^{-3} = 0.10 \text{ mol}$



No. of moles of CaCO<sub>3</sub> needed

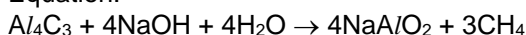
$$= 0.10 \div 2 = 0.050 \text{ mol}$$

No. of complete chicken's egg shells needed

$$= 0.050 \div 0.025 = 2$$

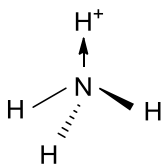
3 A

Equation:



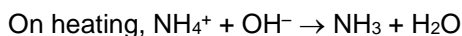
Hydrocarbon is CH<sub>4</sub>.

4 D



NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> is tetrahedral. The bond angles are 109° and the bonds are all of the same length.

NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> ions are formed when NH<sub>3</sub> behaves as a base, i.e. a proton acceptor.

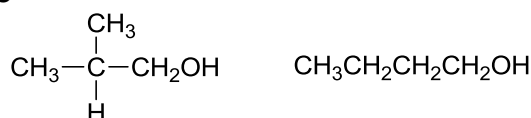


5 B

$$15 \text{ g} \xrightarrow{t_{1/2}} 7.5 \text{ g} \xrightarrow{t_{1/2}} 3.75 \text{ g (two half-lives)}$$

$$\text{Time taken} = 2 \times 8 = 16 \text{ days}$$

6 C



2-methylpropan-1-ol

butan-1-ol

Option A: Both 2-methylpropan-1-ol and butan-1-ol can form intermolecular hydrogen bonds due to the presence of -OH in the molecules.

Option B: Both molecules have strong covalent bonds between their atoms.

Options C and D: 2-methylpropan-1-ol has weaker dispersion forces than butan-1-ol as 2-methylpropan-1-ol is more spherical and has less (not more) surface area for electron interaction than butan-1-ol.

7 D

In H<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>,

$$p = 3, n = 0, e = 3 - 1 = 2 \text{ (one less e than p)}$$

8 C

By Le Chatelier's Principle, when the volume of the reaction vessel decreases at constant temperature, the pressure of the system increases. The position of equilibrium will shift in a direction to decrease the pressure, i.e. shift to the side of the equilibrium with fewer moles of gaseous particles. Only option C has fewer moles of gaseous particles on the right.

Option	Moles of gaseous reactants	Moles of gaseous products
A	0	1
B	2	2
C	2	1
D	2	4

9 C

Option A: Fe catalyst increases the rate of reaction by lowering the activation energy of both the forward and backward reactions to the same extent.

Option B: Fe catalyst does not increase the value of equilibrium constant which is affected by temperature changes only.

Option C: Increasing the temperature increases the values of both  $k_1$  and  $k_{-1}$ . The value of  $k_{-1}$  increases more than  $k_1$  since position of equilibrium shifts left as temperature increases to favour the backward endothermic reaction.

Option D: Increasing the temperature favours the backward endothermic reaction to remove excess heat, leading to formation of more reactants and a decrease in the value of equilibrium constant.

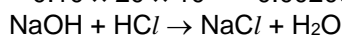
10 A

No. of moles of HCl used

$$= 0.15 \times 25 \times 10^{-3} = 0.00375 \text{ mol}$$

No. of moles of NaOH used

$$= 0.10 \times 20 \times 10^{-3} = 0.00200 \text{ mol (limiting reagent)}$$



No. of moles of HCl left

$$= 0.00375 - 0.00200 = 0.00175 \text{ mol} = n_{\text{H}^+}$$

[H<sup>+</sup>] in the final solution

$$= 0.00175 \div (45 \times 10^{-3}) = 0.0389 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{pH} = -\lg(0.0389) = 1.4$$

11 C

Option A: As X is a weak acid, it is only partially ionised in solution.

Option B: As X is a stronger acid than Y, X should undergo ionisation to a larger extent than Y.

Option C: For the same concentration, since X ionises to a larger extent than Y,  $[\text{H}^+]$  is greater for X, giving it a lower pH.

Option D: For the same no. of moles of X and Y, they require the same volume of NaOH(aq) for complete neutralisation.

12 C

Option A: Strength of dispersion forces increases when  $\text{I}_2(\text{g})$  is changed to  $\text{I}_2(\text{s})$  as the molecules are now closer together. This process is exothermic, i.e. it has a negative enthalpy change.

Option B: Formation of  $\text{Cl}-\text{Cl}$  covalent bond from  $\text{Cl}$  gaseous atoms (reverse of bond energy) is exothermic, i.e. it has a negative enthalpy change.

Option C: This process represents the first ionisation energy of Ca which is endothermic, i.e. it has a positive enthalpy change.

Option D: This process represents the combustion of ethanol which is exothermic, i.e. it has a negative enthalpy change.

13 C

Standard enthalpy change of reaction of calcium and water,  $\Delta H_r^\ominus$

$$= \sum \Delta H_f^\ominus (\text{product}) - \sum \Delta H_f^\ominus (\text{reactant})$$

$$= \Delta H_f^\ominus (\text{Ca(OH)}_2) - 2\Delta H_f^\ominus (\text{water}) \quad (\text{since the enthalpy change of formation of Ca and H}_2 \text{ are both zero})$$

$$\text{Hence } \Delta H_r^\ominus (\text{Ca(OH)}_2) = \Delta H_f^\ominus + 2\Delta H_f^\ominus (\text{water})$$

14 C

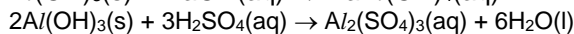
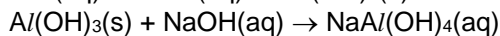
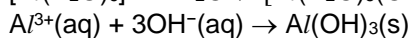
The rate of reaction is faster (steeper gradient) with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  due to a higher concentration of  $\text{H}^+$  ions. Since  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  is a dibasic acid, using the same volume and concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  results in twice the no. of moles of  $\text{H}^+$  present as compared to  $\text{HCl}$ . Since zinc is in excess, the volume of  $\text{H}_2$  evolved at the end of the reaction will be twice ( $240 \text{ cm}^3$ ) that of the reaction with  $\text{HCl}$  ( $120 \text{ cm}^3$ ) since each molecule of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  releases two  $\text{H}^+$  ions.

15 A

From the acid-base nature of the oxides, it can be deduced that X is in Group III, Y is in Group I or Group II, and Z is a non-metal. Since ionic radius of metal ion decreases across the period due to increasing nuclear charge, ion of X is smaller than ion of Y. Non-metal ion of the same period has a larger ionic radius than a metal ion as it gains electrons to form an additional shell of electrons. Hence, ion of Z has the largest ionic radius.

16 B

The white precipitate is the hydroxide of M which is soluble in both NaOH(aq) and  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$ . Hence M must be a Group III element with an amphoteric nature. M is therefore aluminium.  $\text{AlCl}_3(\text{aq})$  is acidic due to high charge density of  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ .



17 C

Option A: Ionic radius of cation decreases across the period from  $\text{Na}^+$  to  $\text{Si}^{4+}$  due to increasing effective nuclear charge as nuclear charge increases across the isoelectronic series ( $10 \text{ e}^-$ ). Ionic radius of anion decreases across the period from  $\text{P}^{3-}$  to  $\text{Cl}^-$  due to increasing effective nuclear charge as nuclear charge increases across the isoelectronic series ( $18 \text{ e}^-$ ). Ionic radius of anion is larger than that of cation due to an additional shell of electrons.

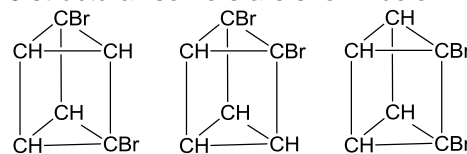
Option B: Group I and Group II chlorides have high melting points due to strong ionic bonds between oppositely charged ions which require a lot of energy to overcome. Group III to Group VI chlorides have low melting points due to weak intermolecular forces of attraction which require less energy to overcome.

Option C:  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  readily dissolves in water to form NaOH which is strongly alkaline with a very high pH 13.  $\text{MgO}$  reacts slightly with water to form  $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$  of pH 10.  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$  are insoluble in water giving pH 7. Non-metallic oxides form acids in water with low pH 2.

Option D: Generally, 1<sup>st</sup> IE increases across the period due to increasing effective nuclear charge. Exceptions: 1<sup>st</sup> IE of Al < 1<sup>st</sup> IE of Mg and 1<sup>st</sup> IE of S < 1<sup>st</sup> IE of P.

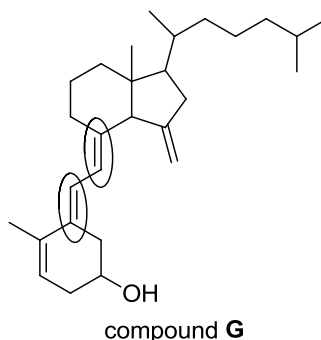
18 B

3 structural isomers are shown below.



19 B

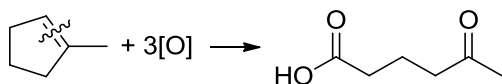
G has two  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  bonds that can exhibit geometric isomerism. The  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  bond in the ring does not exhibit geometric isomerism due to ring strain. The terminal alkene does not exhibit geometric isomerism due to two identical H atoms on one carbon atom of the  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  bond.



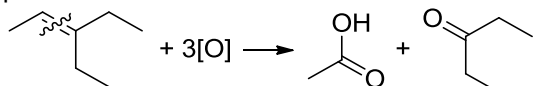
No. of geometric isomers =  $2^2$

20 A

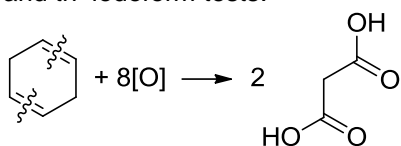
Option A: The methyl ketone,  $\text{RCOCH}_3$  will give positive results for the 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine and the tri-iodoform tests.



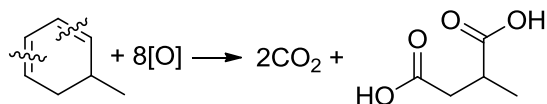
Option B: One of the products formed is a ketone which will give a positive result for the 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine test. However, none of the products has the  $\text{RCOCH}_3$  structure to give a positive result for the tri-iodoform test.



Option C: The product formed does not give positive results for 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine and tri-iodoform tests.



Option D: The products formed do not give positive results for 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine and tri-iodoform tests.



21 D

Option A: Alcohol, aldehyde and ketone do not react with  $\text{NaOH}$ .

Option B: Benzaldehyde does not react with Fehling's solution. They only react with Tollens' reagent. Only aliphatic aldehydes react with Fehling's solution.

Option C: Aldehyde and ketone react with hydrogen cyanide in an addition reaction.

Option D: Aldehyde can be oxidised by hot acidified  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  to a carboxylic acid while the two secondary alcohol groups are oxidised to ketones.

22 A

Size of atom:  $\text{F} < \text{Cl} < \text{Br} < \text{I}$

Strength of bond:  $\text{C-F} > \text{C-Cl} > \text{C-Br} > \text{C-I}$

The larger the size of the halogen atom, the longer and weaker the  $\text{C-X}$  bond (where  $\text{X} = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$ ) which is more easily broken. Hence  $\text{C-I}$  bond is most easily broken and the  $\text{I}^-$  ions formed will react with  $\text{Ag}^+(\text{aq})$  to form a yellow precipitate of  $\text{AgI}$ .

23 D

Options A and B:  $\text{LiAlH}_4$  in dry ether is unable to reduce alkene.

Option C: Hot  $\text{KMnO}_4$  with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$  will cause both  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  and  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  side chains on the benzene ring to be oxidised to  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  as both side chains have a benzylic hydrogen.

Option D: Both aldehyde and alkene functional groups will be reduced by  $\text{H}_2$ , Pt. Only the primary

alcohol will be oxidised by hot  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4(\text{aq})$  to form  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ .

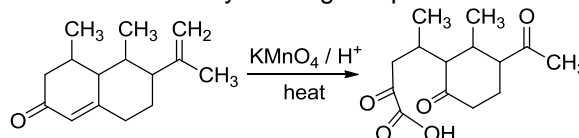
24 D

Option A: Nootkatone has no  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})-$  or  $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}-$  structural unit to form a yellow ppt with alkaline  $\text{I}_2(\text{aq})$ .

Option B: Nootkatone has no aldehyde group to react with Tollens' reagent to give a Ag mirror.

Option C: Nootkatone does not contain  $\text{C-X}$  group to react with  $\text{KCN}(\text{alc})$  to form a nitrile.

Option D: Nootkatone reacts with hot acidified  $\text{KMnO}_4$  to form only one organic product.



25 B

Orange ppt. with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine indicates presence of aldehyde and/or ketone.

1 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  gas liberated with excess Na indicates presence of two  $-\text{OH}$  groups OR two  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  groups OR one  $-\text{OH}$  and one  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  groups.

Option A: Aldehyde present to form orange ppt. with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine. But only one  $-\text{OH}$  group present to form 0.5 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  when reacted with excess Na.

Option B: Ketone present to form orange ppt. with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine. One  $-\text{OH}$  and one  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  groups present to form 1 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  when reacted with excess Na.

Option C: No orange ppt. with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine as aldehyde or ketone is absent. One  $-\text{OH}$  and one  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  groups present to form 1 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  when reacted with excess Na.

Option D: Ketone present to form orange ppt. with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine. But only one  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$  group present to form 0.5 mol of  $\text{H}_2$  when reacted with excess Na.

26 A (1, 2 and 3 are correct)

Option 1: Correct

The reaction between a carbonyl compound and  $\text{HCN}$  involves the two reactant molecules combining to form the cyanohydrin product. Hence it is an addition reaction.

Option 2: Correct

Comparing experiments 1 and 2, rate doubles when volume of  $\text{CN}^-$  doubles in experiment 2. Hence reaction is first order wrt  $\text{CN}^-$ .

Comparing experiments 1 and 4, rate doubles when volume of  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}$  doubles in experiment 4. Hence reaction is first order wrt  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}$ .

Comparing experiments 3 and 4, rate doubles when temperature and volume of  $\text{HCN}$  doubles in experiment 3. Given that rate doubles for every  $10^\circ\text{C}$  rise in temperature, it can be deduced that reaction is zero order wrt  $\text{HCN}$ .

Hence, the rate equation is given by

$$\text{rate} = k[\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CHO}][\text{CN}^-]$$

Option 3: Correct

This is an overall second order reaction.

$$\text{Units of } k = (\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}) \div (\text{mol dm}^{-3})^2 \\ = \text{mol}^{-1} \text{ dm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

**27 A (1, 2 and 3 are correct)**

Option 1: Correct

There are three bond pairs and zero lone pair around the C atom. Shape is trigonal planar around the C atom and hence angle  $x = 120^\circ$ .

Option 2: Correct

The C=O bond is made up of one  $\sigma$  bond and one  $\pi$  bond while a single bond is made up of only one  $\sigma$  bond. Hence the molecule has only one  $\pi$  bond.

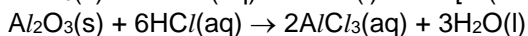
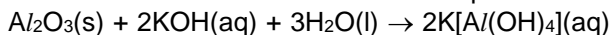
Option 3: Correct

There are two lone pairs of electrons on each O atom and one lone pair of electrons on each N atom. Hence the molecule has only four lone pairs of electrons.

**28 B (1 and 2 only are correct)**

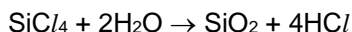
Option 1: Correct

$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  is an amphoteric oxide which can react with both KOH and HCl to form soluble compounds.



Option 2: Correct

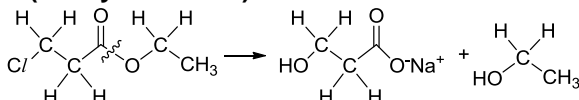
$\text{SiCl}_4$  undergoes hydrolysis in water as Si has energetically accessible vacant 3d orbitals to accept lone pairs of electrons from water to give an acidic solution.



Option 3: Incorrect

S does not react with water.

**29 D (1 only is correct)**

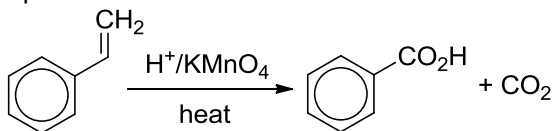


The chloroalkane will undergo substitution when boiled with  $\text{NaOH}(\text{aq})$  to form an alcohol. The ester will undergo base hydrolysis to form  $\text{RCO}_2^-\text{Na}^+$  and an alcohol.

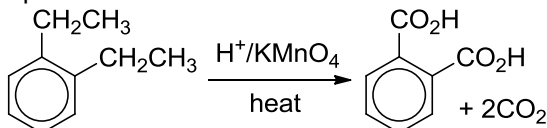
**30 B (1 and 2 only are correct)**

Effervescence is observed due to formation of  $\text{CO}_2(\text{g})$ .

Option 1: Correct



Option 2: Correct



Option 3: Incorrect

