

## Organic Chemistry Mastery Booklet

Use your class notes to help you answer the below.

- Use your notes, the Quizlet sheet and your text book to write definitions of:
  - Crude oil
  - Finite resource
  - Molecule
  - Mixture
  - Hydrocarbon
  - Alkane
- Draw out and name the first four alkanes
- To work out the chemical formula of an alkane, use the **general formula**  $C_nH_{2n+2}$ . This means that if there are **4** carbons, there will be  $(2 \times 4) + 2$  hydrogens. If there are **6**, there will be  $(2 \times 6) + 2$ . Write the formula for an alkane containing
  - 4 carbons
  - 6 carbons
  - 8 carbons
  - 25 carbons
  - 100 carbons
  - 90 hydrogens
  - 82 hydrogens
- Draw a molecule of nonane, which has 9 carbon atoms

Use the table of properties of alkanes to help you answer the questions

- Alkane X and alkane Y are tested against each other. Alkane X is a lot easier to set on fire than alkane Y. Which one has a longer chain?
- Alkane X and alkane Y are tested against each other. Alkane X is a lot easier to turn into a gas than alkane Y. Which one has a longer chain?
- Below are the boiling points of a number of alkanes. Put them in order of increasing chain length:

Alkane	A	B	C	D	E
Boiling point (°C)	91	-28	430	65	23

- Two students are investigating the viscosity of alkane X and Y. They pour a sample of each alkane at the top of a ramp and see how long it takes to flow down. How would you expect the amount of time taken to flow down to relate to the length of the chain?
- Explain your answer to 8.
- A mixture of alkane D and alkane E from the table above is heated to 30°C. Explain why alkane E turns into a gas but alkane D does not.

The boiling point of a substance is **the temperature which a liquid will turn into a gas**. So water has a boiling point of 100°C so will **boil** into steam at that temperature.

It is also the **temperature at which a gas will turn back into a liquid**. So if steam is cooled down to 100°C it will **condense** back into a liquid.

Use the alkane data from the table above to answer the questions below.

- Which alkane has the highest boiling point?
- The alkanes are all heated to 500°C. Explain why they will all turn into a gas.
- From the temperature of 500°C they are all cooled down. Which one will **condense** first?
- Explain your answer to 13.
- Which one will **condense** last?
- Explain your answer to 15.
- Compared to D, predict the viscosity of A.
- Compared to B, predict the viscosity of C.

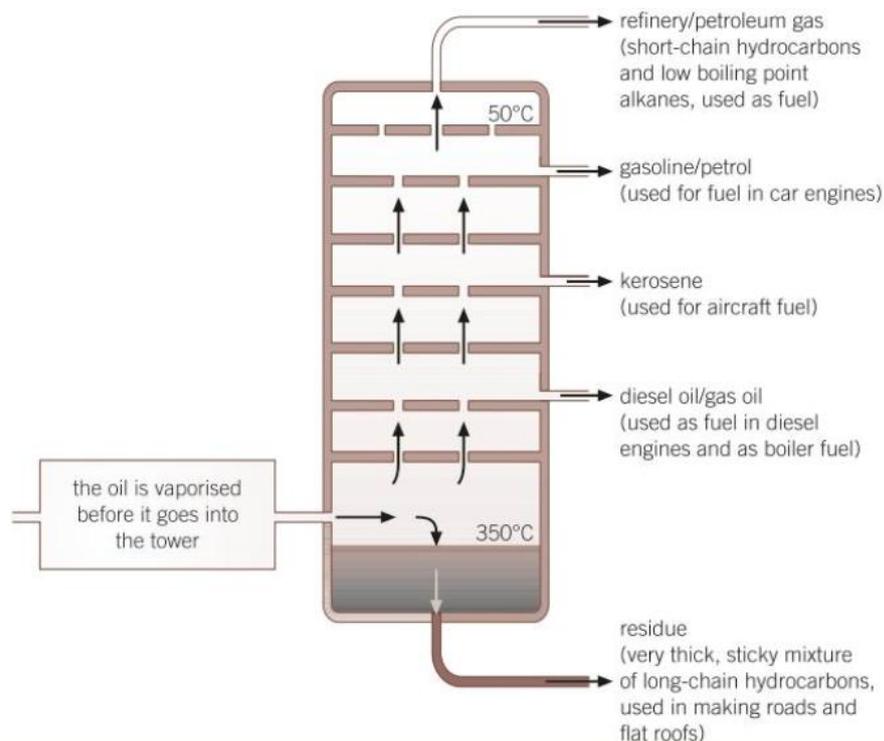
19. A mixture of A and D are heated up until they turn into a gas. Predict a temperature at which this might happen.
20. A and D are cooled down to a temperature of 80°C. Which one will condense? Explain your answer.
21. A mixture of all the alkanes is cooled down to 0°C. Which one is still a gas?
22. Alkane C has 15 carbons. How many hydrogens does it have?
23. Write out its chemical formula.
24. Alkane A has 11 carbons and E has 5. Predict how many carbons D has.
25. At what temperature does gaseous D condense?
26. Explain how you can use the boiling points of D and E to separate a mixture of them.

### Fractional distillation

Fractional distillation is how we separate the different alkanes in crude oil. First, the oil is heated up enough so that all the alkanes turn into a gas (boil). Next they are sent into a fractionating column, which is hot at the bottom and cool at the top.

As they are gases, they rise up the column. As they rise up the column they cool down. When they reach their boiling point they condense back into a liquid and can be collected. Because they all have different boiling points they are collected at different points on the column.

Use the data from the table on the first page to answer the questions:



27. Where will the alkanes with the lowest boiling points be collected?
28. Where will the alkanes with the highest boiling points be collected?
29. Which of the alkanes (from the table) will condense first?
30. Where will that alkane be collected from the column?
31. Which alkanes will not condense in the column?
32. Which alkane will condense highest up the column?
33. Where will the most flammable alkanes be collected?
34. Where will the most viscous alkanes be collected?
35. An alkane with 10 carbons is collected halfway up the column. One with 3 carbons is collected at the top, and one with 30 is collected at the bottom.
  - a. Where would one with 20 carbons be collected?
  - b. Where would one with 5 carbons be collected?
  - c. Where would one with two carbons be collected?

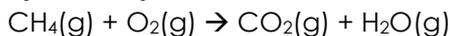
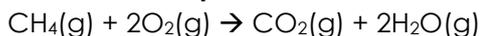
### Complete Combustion

Combustion reactions are when a hydrocarbon reacts with oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>). Complete combustion **always** produces carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and water (H<sub>2</sub>O). The reaction releases energy which can be used.

Example: the combustion of methane:

#### Word equation:

Methane + oxygen → carbon dioxide + water

**Symbol equation:****Balance the equation:**

36. Write word equations for the combustion of:
- Ethane
  - Propane
  - Butane
  - An alkane with 10 carbons (decane)
  - An alkane with 20 hydrogens (nonane)

**Cracking**

- There are long hydrocarbons and short ones
- The shorter ones are more useful
  - Used as fuels and to help make polymers and other useful chemicals
- Cracking turns the long ones into shorter ones
  - One way is to pass over a hot catalyst
  - Another way is to mix with steam and heat to a high temperature
- Produce shorter alkanes and alkenes
  - Alkenes are useful substances that are more reactive than alkanes
- Alkenes are more reactive than alkanes
  - Alkenes turn bromine water colourless

## Questions:

37. Why do chemical plant owners commonly crack long hydrocarbons?
38. Balance the equation – you only need to put numbers in the spaces indicated:  
$$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{42} \rightarrow \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{22} + \text{___}\text{C}_3\text{H}_6 + \text{___}\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$$
39. A student has three bottles. Two have alkanes and one has an alkene. How could they tell which is which?
40. What are the two main types of cracking?
41. How can alkanes be separated based on their boiling points?
42. Use your glossary to write a definition for thermal decomposition
43. How is cracking an example of thermal decomposition?
44. Dodecane (alkane with 12 carbon atoms) can be cracked into octane (eight carbons) and ethene ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ ). Write a word and balanced symbol equation for this reaction.
45. Write a word and balanced symbol equation for the complete combustion of octane.
46. In what way would you expect dodecane and octane to be different? (think about their properties)