Assessment Schedule – 2018
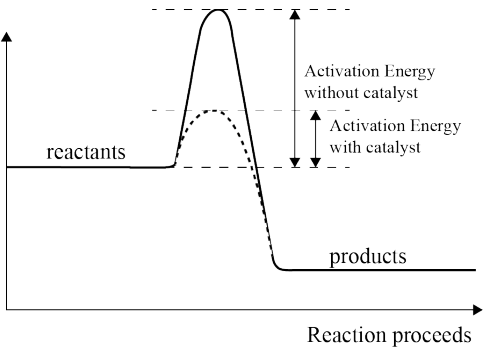
Chemistry: Demonstrate understanding of chemical reactivity (91166)

Evidence Statement

Q	Evidence	Achievement	Merit	Excellence
ONE (a)	Increased temperature **increases the kinetic energy** of the particles, causing them to **move faster** and **collide more frequently**. The collisions that occur are more likely to have **sufficient energy to overcome the activation energy barrier** / more particles have sufficient energy to overcome the activation energy barrier. So the rate of reaction is increased as there will be **greater frequency / more successful collisions per second / unit time**. DO NOT ACCEPT COLLIDE WITH GREATER **FORCE.**	• increased (kinetic) energy of the particles. OR Faster moving particles. OR More frequent collisions.	• Links temperature AND (kinetic) energy / speed to the **frequency** (per second) of effective collisions.	• Explains the relationship of temperature and **kinetic** energy of particles linking to activation energy for a reaction and frequency of effective collisions. Must refer to 'kinetic energy' rather than just 'energy'. Must refer to activation energy.

(b)(i)	The ammonium molybdate is a **catalyst**, which speeds up the rate of reaction by **providing an alternative pathway** for the reaction to occur with a **lower activation energy** barrier to be overcome. Now **more reactants will have sufficient energy to overcome the activation energy**, resulting in an increase in the rate of reaction. DO NOT ACCEPT COLLIDE WITH GREATER **FORCE.** 	• Identifies role of catalyst. Diagram can provide evidence. • Catalyst provides an alternative pathway for this reaction. OR Catalyst lowers activation energy. Diagram can provide evidence.	• Links ammonium molybdate to the alternative pathway with lowered **activation** energy to a faster reaction rate. Diagram can provide evidence. OR Links ammonium molybdate to more reactants will have sufficient energy to overcome the **activation energy.**	• Explains the role of catalyst and links to its effect on reaction rate. Must refer to '**more reactants will have sufficient energy to overcome the activation energy'** concept. Diagram must be labelled both with and without catalyst. Must have diagram for E.
(ii)	$\left[H_3O^+\right] = 10^{-pH} = 1.58 \times 10^{-11} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ $\left[OH^-\right] = \dfrac{K_w}{\left[H_3O^+\right]} = 6.31 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$	• ONE correct calculation from (ii) and (iii). • TWO correct calculations from (ii) and (iii).		• All THREE calculations correct for (ii) and (iii) with correct units and significant figures (accept 2 – 4).
(iii)	$\left[H_3O^+\right] = \dfrac{K_w}{\left[OH^-\right]} = \dfrac{1 \times 10^{-14}}{0.0125}$ $= 8.00 \times 10^{-13} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ $pH = -\log_{10}\left[H_3O^+\right] = 12.1$ OR $pOH = -\log_{10} 0.0125 = 1.90$ $pH = 14 - 1.9 = 12.1$			
(iv)	When sodium ethanoate dissolves in water, the ions separate. EQUATION ONE: $CH_3COONa(s) \rightarrow CH_3COO^-(aq) + Na^+(aq)$ The ethanoate ions then react with water. EQUATION TWO: $CH_3COO^-(aq) + H_2O(\ell) \rightleftharpoons CH_3COOH(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ The OH$^-$ ions produced make this a basic solution.	• Writes a correct equation (ONE or TWO). OR Identifies CH_3COONa as a basic solution since OH$^-$ produced / accepts a proton / cannot donate a proton.	• Links the basic nature of CH_3COO^- to its ability to produce OH$^-$ ions in solution / accept a proton, and EQUATION TWO correct (states not needed).	

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No response; no relevant evidence.	1a	2a	3a	4a	2m	3m	2e	3e

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TWO (a)	$K_c = \dfrac{\left[SO_3\right]^2}{\left[SO_2\right]^2\left[O_2\right]}$	• Correct equilibrium expression. **Do not accept round brackets.**		
(b)(i) (ii)	$K_c = \dfrac{0.093^2}{0.1^2 \times 0.2} = 4.32$ The K_c value is larger than 1 so there are more products than reactants at equilibrium.	• One step of calculation correct (correct substitution). Allow error carried forward from (a). • Identifies products are favoured. Allow error carried forward.	• Correct calculation. No penalty for significant figures. Allow error carried forward from (a). • Links the K_c value being larger than 1 to more products than reactants. Allow error carried forward. **Do not accept generic statements.**	
(c)	If the sulfur trioxide is removed as it is produced, **[SO₃] will decrease**, so the equilibrium will move to minimise the change (stress placed on the system). This means the reaction will move forward to **replace the lost sulfur trioxide**. This will **increase the yield of the desired product.**	• Identifies the forward direction with a generic reason, e.g. to minimise the change.	• Links EITHER change in concentration OR pressure to the direction the reaction will move, using equilibria principles. Must refer to gaseous particles for pressure.	• Analyses both situations (change in concentration and change in volume / pressure) to link correctly to equilibrium principles and to **yield of sulfur trioxide**. Must refer to idea of '**replace the lost sulfur trioxide' for (c).** Must refer to number of 'gaseous' particles for (d).
(d)	Increasing the size of the reaction vessel **decreases the pressure** of the system. In order to minimise this change / stress, the reaction moves to **increase the number of gaseous particles**. For this reaction, the greatest number of gaseous particles is the reactants side so the reaction will **move backwards towards the reactants.** This has the effect of **decreasing the amount of sulfur trioxide.**	• Identifies EITHER the backwards reaction with a generic reason OR side with more (gaseous) particles.		

| (e) | When the **temperature decreases** to 450°C, the reaction moves in the **exothermic direction to produce more heat**. Since the K_c **value increased**, **more products** and less reactants are present. This means the reaction produces more products when the temperature drops. This means the oxidation of sulfur dioxide to sulfur trioxide is an exothermic reaction. | • States that a decrease in temperature favours the exothermic reaction. | • Links increase in K_c value at lower temp to changes in the relative concentrations of reactants or products, e.g. favours products / forward reaction. | • Justifies the forward reaction as exothermic by explaining how the decrease in temperature favours the exothermic reaction, and the increasing K_c value results in a change in relative concentrations of reactants or products. **Must refer to heat energy released for E8.** |

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THREE (a)	$HSO_4^-(aq) + H_2O(\ell) \rightleftharpoons SO_4^{2-}(aq) + H_3O^+(aq)$ $HSO_4^-(aq) + H_2O(\ell) \rightleftharpoons H_2SO_4(aq) + OH^-(aq)$	• Products in one reaction correct.		
(b)	KOH is a **strong base**, so it will ionize / **dissociate completely**, producing **many OH⁻ ions**. $KOH(s) \rightarrow K^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ NH_3 is a **weak base**, so it only **partially ionizes / dissociates** in water producing **fewer OH⁻ ions**. $NH_3(aq) + H_2O(\ell) \rightleftharpoons NH_4^+(aq) + OH^-(aq)$ pH depends on the $[H_3O^+]$ ions. **As $[OH^-]$ increases, $[H_3O^+]$ decreases and pH is higher.** Since NH_3 produces fewer $[OH^-]$ ions, its pH is smaller than KOH. Conductivity of a solution depends on presence of ions. KOH solution has **more ions (not just OH^- ions) than** NH_3 solution, so is a better conductor.	• Distinguishes the strong base from the weak base (equations can provide evidence). • Recognises that conductivity of a solution depends upon presence of **ions (accept charged particles, but not electrons)**. • Recognises that pH is linked to concentration of H_3O^+ ions (OH^- ions).	• Links conductivity of each solution to the **degree of dissociation** and relative amount / concentration **of ions** (correct ions in equations may provide evidence for ions**).** • Links pH of each solution to the **degree of dissociation** and relative amount / concentration of H_3O^+ ions (OH^- ions).	• Links conductivity and pH correctly to amount and relative concentration of ions including **ratio of OH^- to H_3O^+ using relevant equation for ONE solution**. **Must not refer to only OH^- ions for conductivity.** Ratio idea: **As $[OH^-]$ increases, $[H_3O^+]$ decreases and pH is higher. Required for E8.**
(c)(i) (ii)	$[H_3O^+]$ of $HNO_3 = 10^{-0.7} = 0.200$ mol L⁻¹ This is the same as the concentration of acid, so it is a strong acid that fully dissociates, producing lots of H_3O^+. $[H_3O^+]$ of $CH_3COOH = 10^{-2.73} = 0.00186$ mol L⁻¹ This is less than the concentration of acid, so it is a weak acid that only partially ionises in water, producing fewer H_3O^+ ions than HNO_3. Both acids will react with the cleaned Mg ribbon, but since HNO_3 completely dissociates, it has a **higher concentration of H_3O^+**, so HNO_3 will have a **faster rate** of reaction with Mg than CH_3COOH. There are **more H_3O^+ ions** available to react in a given volume so there will **be more effective collisions per second.**	• Identifies one of the acids as weak or strong. OR One $[H_3O^+]$ calculation. Note: Evidence can come from (ii). • Identifies correct acid as faster or slower reaction.	• **Links** calculated amount of H_3O^+ ions to strength for ONE acid. e.g. Nitric acid is a stronger acid since it has a higher $[H_3O^+]$. • **Links** calculated amount of H_3O^+ ions to reaction rate for ONE acid. e.g. Nitric acid has a faster rate of reaction since it has a higher $[H_3O^+]$.	• Explains the relative H_3O^+ concentrations and the rate of reaction in terms of the strength (degree of dissociation) for BOTH acids. **Must refer to collisions per second/frequency of collisions for E8.**

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Cut Scores

Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
0 – 6	7 – 14	15 – 18	19 – 24