Nucleophilic Substitution

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Define the following terms

- Nucleophile
- Substitution reaction

Now watch the tutorial on Nucleophilic Substitution

Make notes on Nucleophilic substitution

Use the following questions as guidance.

- 1. Draw, using displayed formula, the molecule chloroethane.
- 2. Showing relevant dipoles and lone pairs, and using curly arrows to show the movement of lone pairs of electrons, show how an OH⁻ ion will react with chloroethene in a nucleophilic substitution reaction. Explain each step of the reaction as you go.
- 3. Show the mechanism for the reaction below:

 CH₃CH₂CH₂CI + HCN → CH₃CH₂CH₂CN + HCl

 Bear in mind that in water HCN ⇌ H⁺ + CN⁻