

8 (a) (i) State what is meant by nuclear binding energy.

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(ii) On Fig. 8.1, sketch a line to show the variation with nucleon number A of the binding energy per nucleon E of a nucleus.

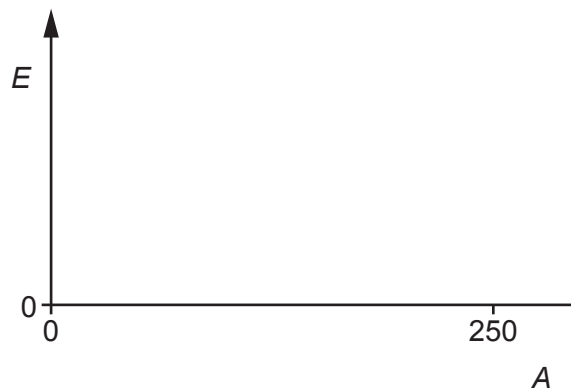


Fig. 8.1

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(b) In one type of nuclear process, deuterium (${}^2_1\text{H}$) undergoes the reaction



(i) State the name of this type of nuclear process.

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(ii) Explain, with reference to your line in (a)(ii), why this reaction results in the release of energy.

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(c) Table 8.1 shows the masses of the particles involved in the reaction in (b).

Table 8.1

particle	mass/u
${}^1_0\text{n}$	1.008 665
${}^2_1\text{H}$	2.014 102
${}^3_2\text{He}$	3.016 029

Calculate the energy released when 1.00 mol of deuterium undergoes the reaction.

energy = J [5]