## **4.6 ANSWERS TO EXERCISES**

## 4.6 Exercise 1

- 1. a) Benzene is a flat six-membered ring of six carbon atoms

  Each carbon atom is bonded to one hydrogen atom and two other carbon atoms. The angle between all the bonds is 120°.

  The fourth carbon electron is delocalised: all six spare p-orbitals overlap and the six electrons move freely within the overlapping orbitals.
  - b) The delocalised electrons give stability to the benzene molecule that normal "double bonds" do not.

Addition reactions break the delocalised ring, so are not favoured.

- 2. a) nitrobenzene
  - b) methylbenzene
  - e) methylethylbenzene
  - d) phenylpropanone
  - e) phenylamine
- 3. a)  $H_2SO_4 + HNO_3 \rightarrow H_2NO_3^+ + HSO_4^ H_2NO_3^+ \rightarrow H_2O + NO_2^+$

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b)  $R-Cl + AlCl_3 \rightarrow R^+ + AlCl_4^-$ 

c)

 $AlCl_3 + Cl^- \rightarrow AlCl_4$ 

d)  $C_2H_5COCl + AlCl_3 \rightarrow C_2H_5CO^+ + AlCl_4^-$ 

- 4. The lone pair on the N is drawn into the delocalised system so is less available for bonding with a proton
- 5. a) used in the manufacture of explosives
  - b) used in the manufacture of dyes
  - c) used in the manufacture of polystyrene