

Board – CBSE

Class – 10<sup>th</sup>

Topic – Carbon and Its Compounds

1. Ethane, with the molecular formula  $C_2H_6$  has

- (a) 6 covalent bonds. (b) 7 covalent bonds.  
(c) 8 covalent bonds. (d) 9 covalent bonds.

**Ans.** (b) Ethane has 7 covalent bonds.

2. Butanone is a four-carbon compound with the functional group

- (a) carboxylic acid. (b) aldehyde.  
(c) ketone. (d) alcohol

**Ans.** (c) The functional group of butanone is ketone.

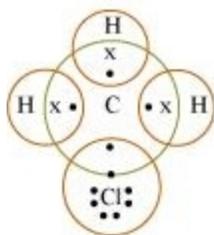
3. While cooking, if the bottom of the vessel is getting blackened on the outside, it means that

- (a) the food is not cooked completely. (b) the fuel is not burning completely.  
(c) the fuel is wet. (d) the fuel is burning completely.

**Ans.** (b) While cooking, if the bottom of the vessel is getting blackened on the outside, then it means that the fuel is not burning completely.

4. Explain the nature of the covalent bond using the bond formation in  $CH_3Cl$ .

**Ans.** Carbon can neither lose four of its electrons nor gain four electrons as both the processes require extra amount of energy and would make the system unstable. Therefore, it completes its octet by sharing its four electrons with other carbon atoms or with atoms of other elements. The bonds that are formed by sharing electrons are known as covalent bonds. In covalent bonding, both the atoms share the valence electrons, i.e., the shared electrons belong to the valence shells of both the atoms.



Here, carbon requires 4 electrons to complete its octet, while each hydrogen atom requires one electron to complete its duplet. Also, chlorine requires an electron to complete the octet.

Therefore, all of these share the electrons and as a result, carbon forms 3 bonds with hydrogen and one with chlorine.

5. Draw the electron dot structures for

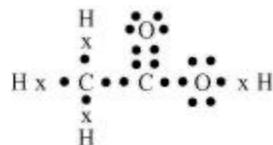
(a) ethanoic acid.

(b)  $H_2S$ .

(c) propanone.

(d)  $F_2$ .

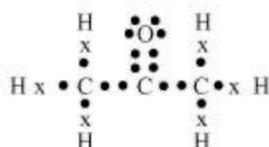
**Ans.** (a) Ethanoic acid



(b)  $H_2S$



(c) Propanone



(d)  $F_2$



6. What is a homologous series? Explain with an example.

**Ans.** A homologous series is a series of carbon compounds that have different numbers of carbon atoms but contain the same functional group.

For example, methane, ethane, propane, butane, etc. are all part of the alkane homologous series. The general formula of this series is  $C_nH_{2n+2}$ .

Methane  $CH_4$

Ethane  $CH_3CH_3$

Propane  $CH_3CH_2CH_3$

Butane  $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_3$

It can be noticed that there is a difference of  $-\text{CH}_2$  unit between each successive compound.

7. How can ethanol and ethanoic acid be differentiated on the basis of their physical and chemical properties?

**Ans.** • Ethanol is a liquid at room temperature with a pleasant odour while ethanoic acid has vinegar-like smell. The melting point of ethanoic acid is  $17^\circ\text{C}$ . This is below room temperature and hence, it freezes during winters.

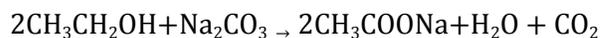
• Ethanoic acid reacts with metal carbonates and metal hydrogencarbonates to form salt, water, and carbon dioxide gas while ethanol does not react with them.

Metal Carbonate / Metal Hydrogencarbonate + Carboxylic acid

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Salt + Water + Carbon dioxide

For example,



Metal Carbonate / Metal Hydrogencarbonate + Alcohols

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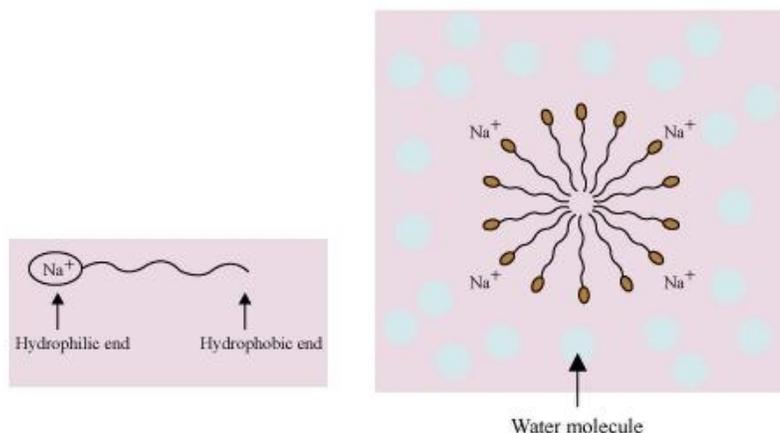
No reaction

For example,



8. Why does micelle formation take place when soap is added to water? Will a micelle be formed in other solvents such as ethanol also?

**Ans.** A soap is a sodium or potassium salt of long chain fatty acids. It has one polar end and one non-polar end. The polar end is hydrophilic in nature i.e., this end is attracted towards water. The non-polar end is hydrophobic but lipophilic, i.e., it is attracted towards hydrocarbons. When soap is added to water, soap molecules arrange themselves in a cluster to keep the non-polar portion out of water such that the non-polar ends are in the interior of the cluster and the polar ends are on the surface of the cluster. Since the dirt present on clothes is organic in nature and insoluble in water, the hydrophobic ends of the clusters attach themselves to the dirt. This cluster formation in which the dirt is entrapped is the micelle.



Micelle formation does not occur in alcohol because the alkyl chain of soap becomes soluble in alcohol.

**9.** Why are carbon and its compounds used as fuels for most applications?

**Ans.** Most of the carbon compounds give a lot of heat and light when burnt in air. Saturated hydrocarbons burn with a clean flame and no smoke is produced. The carbon compounds, used as a fuel, have high calorific values. Therefore, carbon and its compounds are used as fuels for most applications.

**10.** Explain the formation of scum when hard water is treated with soap.

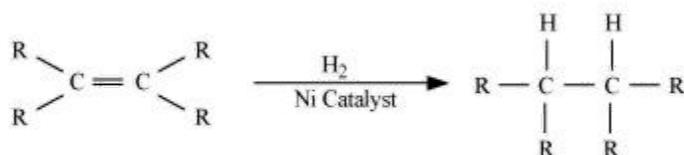
**Ans.** Scum is produced from reaction of hard water with soap. Calcium and magnesium present in the hard water form an insoluble precipitate that stick as a white precipitate which is called as scum.

**11.** What change will you observe if you test soap with litmus paper (red and blue)?

**Ans.** Since soap is basic in nature, it will turn red litmus blue. However, the colour of blue litmus will remain blue.

**12.** What is hydrogenation? What is its industrial application?

**Ans.** Hydrogenation is the process of addition of hydrogen. Unsaturated hydrocarbons are added with hydrogen in the presence of palladium and nickel catalysts to give saturated hydrocarbons.



This reaction is applied in the hydrogenation of vegetable oils, which contain long chains of unsaturated carbons.

**13.** Which of the following hydrocarbons undergo addition reactions.

$C_2H_6$ ,  $C_3H_8$ ,  $C_3H_6$ ,  $C_2H_2$  and  $CH_4$ .

**Ans.** Unsaturated hydrocarbons undergo addition reactions. Being unsaturated hydrocarbons,  $C_3H_6$  and  $C_2H_2$  undergo addition reactions.

**14.** Give a test that can be used to differentiate chemically between butter and cooking oil.

**Ans.** Butter contains saturated fats. Therefore, it cannot be hydrogenated. On the other hand, oil has unsaturated fats. That is why it can be hydrogenated to saturated fats (solids).

**15.** Explain the mechanism of the cleaning action of soaps.

**Ans.** Cleansing action of soaps.

The dirt present on clothes is organic in nature and insoluble in water. Therefore, it cannot be removed by only washing with water. When soap is dissolved in water, its hydrophobic ends attach themselves to the dirt and remove it from the cloth. Then, the molecules of soap arrange themselves in micelle formation and trap the dirt at the centre of the cluster. These micelles remain suspended in the water. Hence, the dirt particles are easily rinsed away by water.

