

Enthalpy of Combustion: Experimental Data

1. When 3.6 g of butanal (relative formula mass = 72) was burned, 134 kJ of energy was released.
From this result, what is the enthalpy of combustion, in kJ mol⁻¹?
A -6.7
B +6.7
C -2680
D +2680

2. The enthalpy of combustion of methanol is -727 kJ mol⁻¹.
What mass of methanol has to be burned to produce 72.7 kJ?
A 3.2 g
B 32 g
C 72.7 g
D 727 g

3. Aluminium reacts with oxygen to form aluminium oxide.
 $2\text{Al(s)} + 1\frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{(s)} \quad \Delta H = -1670 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$
What is the enthalpy of combustion of aluminium in kJ mol⁻¹?
A -835
B -1113
C -1670
D +1670

4. The enthalpy of combustion of a hydrocarbon is the enthalpy change when
A one mole of a hydrocarbon burns to give one mole of water
B one mole of a hydrocarbon burns to give one mole of carbon dioxide
C one mole of a hydrocarbon burns completely in oxygen
D one mole of a hydrocarbon burns in one mole of oxygen.

5. Which of the following equations represents the enthalpy of combustion of propane?
A $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{(g)} + 5\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 3\text{CO}_2\text{(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
B $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{(g)} + \frac{7}{2}\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 3\text{CO(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
C $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{(g)} + 3\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 3\text{CO}_2\text{(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{(g)}$
D $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{(g)} + \frac{3}{2}\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 3\text{CO(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{(g)}$

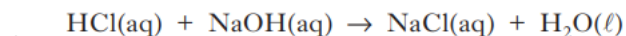
6. Which of the following equations represents an enthalpy of combustion?
A $2\text{CH}_4\text{(g)} + 3\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 2\text{CO(g)} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
B $\text{CH}_4\text{(g)} + 1\frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow \text{CO(g)} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
C $2\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{(g)} + 7\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 4\text{CO}_2\text{(g)} + 6\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$
D $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{(g)} + 3\frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2\text{(g)} \rightarrow 2\text{CO}_2\text{(g)} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O(l)}$

7. $5\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{(l)} + 4\text{CH}_3\text{NHNH}_2\text{(l)} \rightarrow 4\text{CO}_2\text{(g)} + 12\text{H}_2\text{O(l)} + 9\text{N}_2\text{(g)} \quad \Delta H = -5116 \text{ kJ}$
The energy released when 2 moles of each reactant are mixed and ignited is
A 2046 kJ
B 2558 kJ
C 4093 kJ
D 5116 kJ.

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8. The enthalpy of combustion of an alcohol is always the enthalpy change for

- A the alcohol burning in 1 mole of oxygen
- B the alcohol burning to produce 1 mole of water
- C 1 mole of the alcohol burning completely in oxygen
- D 1 mole of the alcohol burning to produce 1 mole of carbon dioxide.



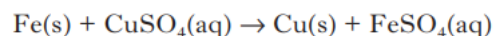
A student recorded the following temperatures when reacting 20 cm³ dilute hydrochloric acid with 20 cm³ dilute sodium hydroxide solution.

Solution	Temperature/°C
HCl(aq)	18
NaOH(aq)	20
NaCl(aq)	27

ΔT for this reaction will be

- A 2 °C
- B 7 °C
- C 8 °C
- D 9 °C.

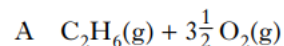
- 10 Excess iron was added to 100 cm³ of 1.0 mol l⁻¹ copper(II) sulfate solution releasing 3.1 kJ of energy.



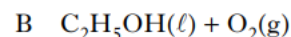
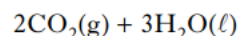
What is the enthalpy change, in kJ mol⁻¹ for the above reaction?

- A -0.31
- B -3.1
- C -31
- D -310

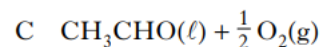
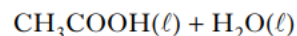
- 11 Which of the following equations represents an enthalpy of combustion?



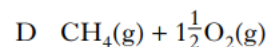
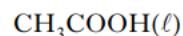
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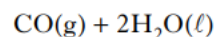
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- 12 A group of students added 6 g of ammonium chloride crystals to 200 cm³ of water at a temperature of 25 °C.

The enthalpy of solution of ammonium chloride is +13.6 kJ mol⁻¹.

After dissolving the crystals, the temperature of the solution would most likely be

- A 23 °C
- B 25 °C
- C 27 °C
- D 30 °C.

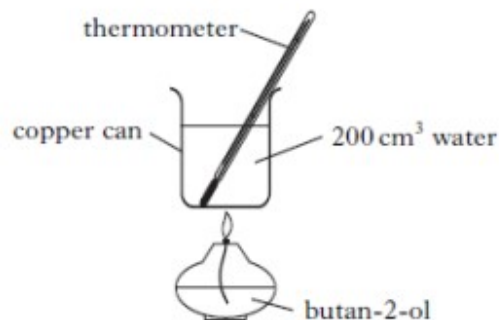
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1. The enthalpies of combustion of some alcohols are shown in the table.

Name of alcohol	Enthalpy of combustion/ kJ mol^{-1}
methanol	-727
ethanol	-1367
propan-1-ol	-2020

- (a) Using this data, predict the enthalpy of combustion of butan-1-ol, in kJ mol^{-1} .

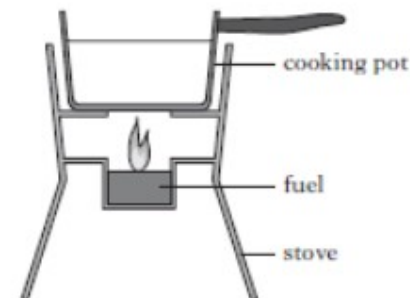
- (b) A value for the enthalpy of combustion of butan-2-ol, $\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{OH}$, can be determined experimentally using the apparatus shown.



Mass of butan-2-ol burned = 1.0 g
 Temperature rise of water = 40 °C

Use these results to calculate the enthalpy of combustion of butan-2-ol, in kJ mol^{-1} .

2. Ethanol, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$, can be used as a fuel in some camping stoves.



- (a) The enthalpy of combustion of ethanol is $-1367 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

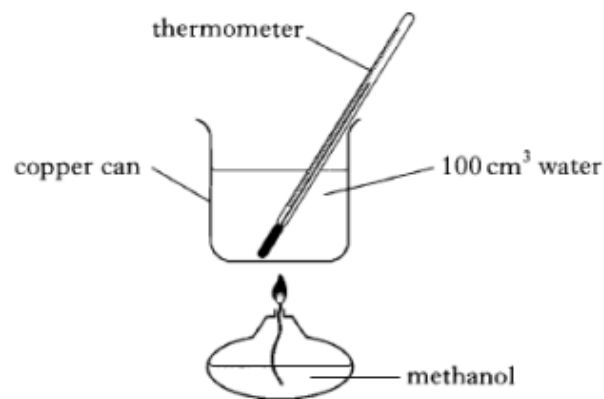
Using this value, calculate the number of moles of ethanol required to raise the temperature of 500 g of water from 18 °C to 100 °C.

Show your working clearly.

- (b) Suggest **two** reasons why less energy is obtained from burning ethanol in the camping stove than is predicted from its enthalpy of combustion.

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- 3 The enthalpy of combustion of methanol (CH_3OH) can be determined from measurements using the apparatus shown.



In an experiment, the following results were obtained.

mass of methanol burned = 0.45 g
temperature rise of water = 10.0 °C

Use these results to calculate the enthalpy of combustion, in kJ mol^{-1} , of methanol.

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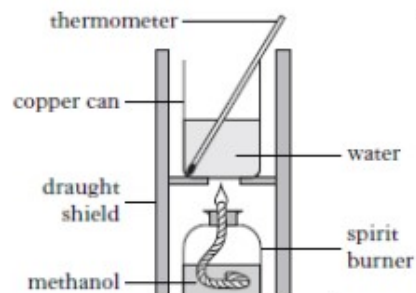
4. The energy changes taking place during chemical reactions have many everyday uses.

Flameless heaters are used by mountain climbers to heat food and drinks. The chemical reaction in a flameless heater releases 45 kJ of energy.

If 200 g of water is heated using this heater, calculate the rise in temperature of the water, in °C.

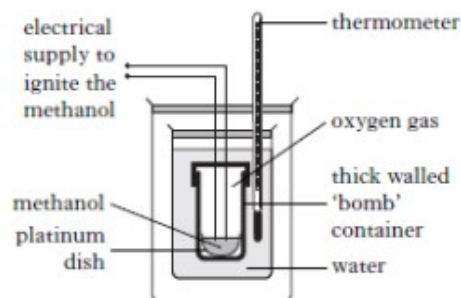
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5. A student used the simple laboratory apparatus shown to determine the enthalpy of combustion of methanol.



- (a) (i) What measurements are needed to calculate the energy released by the burning methanol?
- (ii) The student found that burning 0.370 g of methanol produces 3.86 kJ of energy.
Use this result to calculate the enthalpy of combustion of methanol.

- (b) A more accurate value can be obtained using a bomb calorimeter.



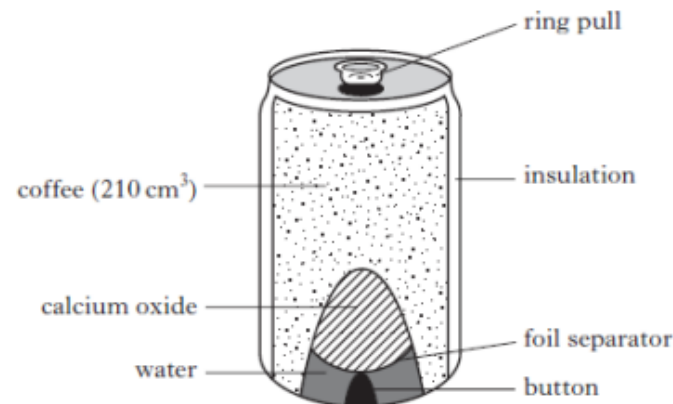
One reason for the more accurate value is that less heat is lost to the surroundings than in the simple laboratory method.

Give **one** other reason for the value being more accurate in the bomb calorimeter method.

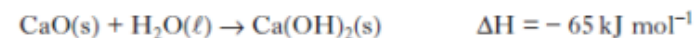
6. Self-heating cans may be used to warm drinks such as coffee.

When the button on the can is pushed, a seal is broken allowing water and calcium oxide to mix and react.

The reaction produces solid calcium hydroxide and releases heat.



The equation for this reaction is:

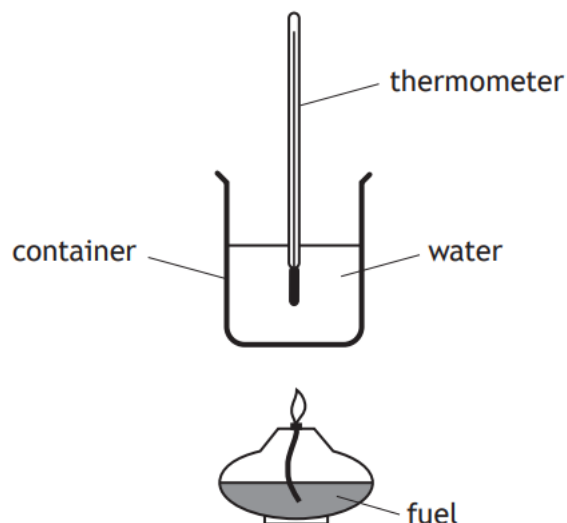


Calculate the mass, in grams, of calcium oxide required to raise the temperature of 210 cm³ of coffee from 20 °C to 70 °C.

Show your working clearly.

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7. The energy released per gram of fuel can be measured using the following apparatus.



A student wanted to compare the energy released by different types of biodiesel.

- (i) Suggest one variable the student would need to keep the same in both experiments to make a fair comparison.

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- (ii) Heat is lost to the surroundings during the experiment.

Suggest an improvement to the apparatus that would prevent heat loss to the surroundings.

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- (iii) The student's results for one type of biodiesel are shown in the table.

Mass of biodiesel burned (g)	0.420
Volume of water (cm ³)	200
Initial temperature of water (°C)	17
Final temperature of water (°C)	38

Calculate the energy released, in kJ g⁻¹, when 1.0 g of the biodiesel was burned.

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Enthalpy of Combustion: Experimental Data Answers

1. C
 2. A
 3. A
 4. C
 5. A
 6. D
 7. A
 8. C
 9. C
 10. C
 11. A
 12. A
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1. a) 2650-2750
b) -2475
 2. a) $(171.38/1367) = 0.125$ moles
b) Incomplete combustion and heat loss to the surroundings.
 3. -297
 4. 53.8°C
 5. a) i) Temperature of water before
Highest temperature of water after heating
Volume/mass of water heated
ii) -334 kJ mol⁻¹
b) Complete combustion will occur since it is in an atmosphere of oxygen.
 6. 0.675 mol = 37.9g

7.	(i)	1 from: Distance between burner/wick/flame and container Material/type of container Stirring water in both Size of wick Use same draught shield Indication of same insulation in both experiments	1
	(ii)	1 from: Use a draught shield Move flame closer to container Fit a lid on the container Insulate container	1
	(iii)	(-)41.8 (kJ g ⁻¹) (3 marks)	3