

TRANSITION METAL TEST Answers

1. (a) Partially filled/incomplete d sub-shell/orbital/shell
Ignore reference to f orbitals
*Do **not** allow d block*
*Do **not** allow half-filled d orbitals* 1
- (b) Has ligand(s) 1
Allow molecules/ions with lone pairs 1
- linked by co-ordinate bonds 1
Allow dative/donation of lone pair 1
- (c) (Blue) light is absorbed (from incident white light) 1
 Due to electrons moving to higher levels/electrons excited 1
Allow $d \rightarrow d$ transitions 1
- Red light (that) remains (is transmitted)/light that remains
 (transmitted light) is the colour observed 1
Allow red light reflected 1
- (d) (i) Circle round any O^- 1
List principle 1
- Circle round either N 1
- (ii) $EDTA^{4-} + [Co(H_2O)_6]^{2+} \rightarrow [CoEDTA]^{2-} + 6H_2O$ 1
Allow missing square brackets
Ignore state symbols 1
- (iii) Increase in entropy/ ΔS positive 1
Or increase in disorder 1
- Because 2 mol (of particles/molecules/species/entities) form
 7 mol 1
*Allow 'increase in number' as stated in words or
 as shown by any numbers deduced correctly
 from an incorrect equation*
Do not allow increase in ions/atoms 1

- (e) (i) Co-ordinate/dative/dative covalent bond
Allow pair of electrons donated by nitrogen/ligand
Do not allow pair of electrons donated from Iron/Fe 1
- Covalent bond
Shared electron pair 1
- (ii) Transport of oxygen/O₂
Allow any statement that implies oxygen carried (around the body)
Do not allow transport of carbon dioxide (CO₂).
This also contradicts the mark (list principle) 1
- (iii) Because it bonds to the iron/haemoglobin
Allow blocks site
/CO has greater affinity for haemoglobin
/carboxyhaemoglobin more stable than oxyhaemoglobin 1
- Displaces oxygen
Or prevents transport of oxygen
QoL 1
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2. (a) A ligand is an electron pair / lone pair donor
Allow uses lone / electron pair to form a co-ordinate bond 1
- A bidentate ligand donates two electron pairs (to a transition metal ion) from different atoms / two atoms (on the same molecule / ion)
QoL 1

(b) CoCl_4^{2-} diagram

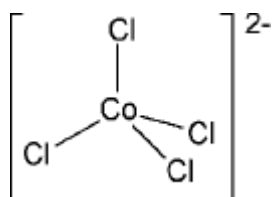
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Tetrahedral shape

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$109^\circ 28'$

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Four chlorines attached to Co with net 2- charge correct

Charge can be placed anywhere, eg on separate formula

Penalise excess charges

Allow 109° to 109.5°

$[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{2+}$ diagram

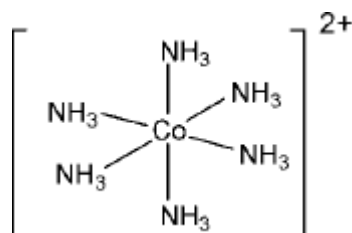
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Octahedral shape

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90°

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Six ammonia / NH_3 molecules attached to Co with 2+ charge correct

Allow 180° if shown clearly on diagram

CE= 0 if wrong complex but mark on if only charge is incorrect

(c) In different complexes the d orbitals / d electrons (of the cobalt) will have different energies / d orbital splitting will be different

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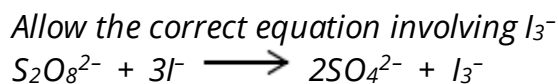
Light / energy is absorbed causing an electron to be excited

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Different frequency / wavelength / colour of light will be absorbed / transmitted / reflected

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- (d) 1 mol of H_2O_2 oxidises 2 mol of Co^{2+}
 Or $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + 2\text{Co}^{2+} \rightarrow 2\text{OH}^- + 2\text{Co}^{3+}$ 1
- $M_r \text{CoSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O} = 281$
If M_r wrong, max 3 for M1, M4, M5 1
- Moles $\text{Co}^{2+} = 9.87 / 281 = 0.03512$ 1
- Moles $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = 0.03512 / 2 = 0.01756$
M4 is method mark for (M3) / 2 (also scores M1) 1
- Volume $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = (\text{moles} \times 1000) / \text{concentration}$
 $= 0.01756 \times 1000 / 5.00$
 $= 3.51 \text{ cm}^3 / (3.51 \times 10^{-3} \text{ dm}^3)$
Units essential for answer
M5 is method mark for (M4) $\times 1000 / 5$
Allow 3.4 to 3.6 cm^3
If no 2:1 ratio or ratio incorrect Max 3 for M2, M3 & M5
Note: Answer of 7 cm^3 scores 3 for M2, M3, M5 (and any other wrong ratio max 3)
Answer of 16.8 cm^3 scores 3 for M1, M4, M5 (and any other wrong M_r max 3)
Answer of 33.5 cm^3 scores 1 for M5 only (so wrong M_r AND wrong ratio max 1) 1
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3. (a) Negative ions repel one another 1
- (b) Positive ions attract negative ions in catalysed process
Allow activation energy decreases.
Allow alternative route with lower E_a
Ignore references to heterogenous catalysis. 1
- (c) $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} + 2\text{e}^- \longrightarrow 2\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
Allow multiples including fractions.
Ignore state symbols. 1
- (d) $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-} + 2\text{I}^- \longrightarrow 2\text{SO}_4^{2-} + \text{I}_2$
Allow multiples including fractions.
Ignore state symbols. 1



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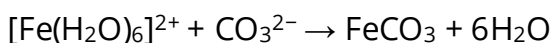
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4. (a) $[Fe(H_2O)_6]^{2+} + 2NH_3 \rightarrow Fe(H_2O)_4(OH)_2 + 2NH_4^+$
 Allow equation with OH^- provided equation
 showing formation of OH^- from NH_3 given

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Green precipitate

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Green precipitate

effervescence incorrect so loses M4

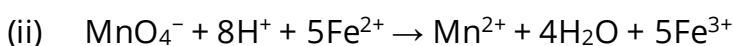
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- (b) (i) Colourless / (pale) green changes to pink / purple
 (solution)
 Do not allow pale pink to purple

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Just after the end-point MnO_4^- is in excess / present

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$$\text{Moles } KMnO_4 = 18.7 \times 0.0205 / 1000 = (3.8335 \times 10^{-4})$$

Process mark

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$$\text{Moles } Fe^{2+} = 5 \times 3.8335 \times 10^{-4} = 1.91675 \times 10^{-3}$$

Mark for M2 × 5

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$$\text{Moles } Fe^{2+} \text{ in } 250 \text{ cm}^3 = 10 \times 1.91675 \times 10^{-3} =$$

$$0.0191675 \text{ moles in } 50 \text{ cm}^3$$

*Process mark for moles of iron in titration (M3)**× 10*

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$$\text{Original conc } Fe^{2+} = 0.0191675 \times 1000 / 50 = 0.383 \underline{\text{mol}} \underline{\text{dm}^{-3}}$$

*Answer for moles of iron (M4) × 1000 / 50**Answer must be to at least 2 sig. figs. (0.38)*

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5. C

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6. D

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7. B

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