



Aspire & Challenge

# Year 11 Chemistry Curriculum Overview

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<b>Organic Chemistry</b>	Autumn Term, Half-term one	<p>Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe how to separate crude oil into fractions in a school laboratory.</li> <li>Classify a hydrocarbon as an alkane.</li> <li>State the names and describe the first four alkanes.</li> <li>Describe how the trend in colour, viscosity, flammability, and boiling point changes as the length of the hydrocarbon chain changes.</li> <li>Describe how the properties of a fraction of crude oil make it appropriate for its use.</li> <li>Explain the differences between complete and incomplete combustion.</li> <li>Write balanced symbol equations for the complete and incomplete combustion of hydrocarbons.</li> <li>Explain how to test for the products of complete combustion.</li> <li>Describe the process of cracking, including conditions.</li> <li>Generate a balanced symbol equation to describe cracking.</li> <li>Describe a chemical test to show an alkene is present.</li> <li>Draw the displayed structural formulae for the first four alkenes.</li> <li>Draw the displayed structural formulae for the products of the addition reactions between alkenes and hydrogen, water (steam), or a halogen.</li> <li>Predict the word and balanced symbol equations for the complete combustion of an alkene when the number of carbon atoms is given.</li> <li>Classify an organic compound as an alcohol a carboxylic acid, or an ester.</li> <li>Draw the structural and displayed formulae for the first four primary alcohols and the first four carboxylic acids.</li> </ul>	<p>Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of tier three words</li> <li>Extended writing opportunities</li> </ul>	<p>Challenge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explaining how fractional distillation and cracking work and why they are useful.</li> <li>Higher level questions – explaining polymerisation.</li> </ul> <p>Scaffold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre prepared results tables</li> <li>Knowledge organisers</li> <li>Scaffold for extended writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 questions to start – recall activity every lesson.</li> <li>Close the gap questions</li> <li>Self and peer feedback on tasks completed</li> <li>Structure strip</li> <li>Past paper exam Qs.</li> <li>Summative assessment at the end of the unit</li> </ul>

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<b>Chemical Analysis</b>	Autumn Term, Half-term two	<p>Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe the difference between pure substances, impure substances, and formulations.</li> <li>Explain how melting point and boiling point data can be used to determine the purity of a substance.</li> <li>State uses of formulations.</li> <li>Explain how chromatography separates solutes.</li> <li>Calculate Rf values from given data.</li> <li>Use a chromatogram to determine if a sample is pure or impure.</li> <li>Explain why limewater turns milky when it reacts with carbon dioxide.</li> <li>Interpret results to identify a gas that is present.</li> <li>Explain why hydrogen 'pops' near a naked flame.</li> <li>Identify a metal ion from the colour of a flame or the colour of the hydroxide precipitate.</li> <li>Write balanced symbol equations, including state symbols, for the production of an insoluble metal hydroxide.</li> <li>Explain why a flame test cannot be used to identify a mixture of metal solutions.</li> <li>Identify the presence of carbonate, a specific halide, or sulfate ions from simple laboratory tests.</li> <li>Write balanced symbol equations, including state symbols for reactions in the simple laboratory tests for carbonate, halide, or sulfate ions.</li> <li>Explain why it can be difficult to identify halides using this method.</li> <li>Compare and contrast instrumental techniques with simple laboratory tests.</li> <li>Describe the main processes of flame emission spectroscopy.</li> <li>Explain how flame emission spectroscopy is an improvement on flame tests.</li> </ul>	<p>Numeracy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calculating Rf values</li> </ul> <p>Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of tier three words</li> <li>Extended writing opportunities</li> </ul>	<p>Challenge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explaining how to test and identify an unknown chemical</li> </ul> <p>Scaffold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-prepared results tables</li> <li>Knowledge organisers</li> <li>Scaffold for extended writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 questions to start – recall activity every lesson.</li> <li>Close the gap questions</li> <li>Self and peer feedback on tasks completed</li> <li>Structure strip</li> <li>Past paper exam Qs.</li> <li>Summative assessment at the end of the unit</li> </ul>

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<b>Chemistry of the Atmosphere</b>	Spring Term: Half-term one	<p>Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State the composition, including formulae, of the Earth's early atmosphere.</li> <li>Describe a theory for the development of the Earth's atmosphere.</li> <li>Explain, using word equations, how gases were formed in the atmosphere and oceans were formed.</li> <li>Describe how the proportion of carbon dioxide in the early atmosphere was reduced.</li> <li>State the composition of dry air.</li> <li>Use word equations to show how carbon dioxide can form sedimentary rocks.</li> <li>Explain the greenhouse effect.</li> <li>Explain how greenhouse gases increase the temperature of the atmosphere.</li> <li>Explain how human activity can change the proportion of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.</li> <li>Explain the possible effects of global climate change and why they are difficult to predict.</li> <li>Explain possible methods to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</li> <li>Explain some of the problems in trying to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</li> <li>Explain how sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxides are made when fossil fuels are combusted.</li> <li>Describe the health impacts of atmospheric pollutants.</li> <li>Use balanced symbol equations to show how atmospheric pollutants are formed.</li> </ul>	<p>Numeracy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graph skills</li> <li>Orders of magnitude</li> </ul> <p>Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of tier three words</li> <li>Extended writing opportunities</li> </ul>	<p>Challenge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explaining the causes of changes to the atmosphere.</li> <li>Higher level questions – evaluating methods of mitigating climate change.</li> <li>Order of magnitude calculations</li> </ul> <p>Scaffold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre prepared axes</li> <li>Knowledge organisers</li> <li>Scaffold for extended writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 questions to start – recall activity every lesson.</li> <li>Close the gap questions</li> <li>Self and peer feedback on tasks completed</li> <li>Structure strip</li> <li>Past paper exam Qs.</li> <li>Summative assessment at the end of the unit</li> </ul>

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Using Resources	Spring Term: Half term one	<p>Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe and classify a resource as finite or renewable when information is given.</li> <li>Explain the use of natural, sustainable, and finite resources.</li> <li>Interpret information from different formats including graphs, charts, tables, and prose.</li> <li>Explain the method of obtaining potable water depends on the local conditions.</li> <li>Explain reasons for filtration and sterilisation in water treatment.</li> <li>Describe and explain in detail how to safely distil salty water.</li> <li>Explain why waste water should be treated before it is released into the environment.</li> <li>Describe the main processes in sewage treatment.</li> <li>Explain the uses of sewage slurry.</li> <li>Describe the processes of phytomining and bioleaching.</li> <li>Write balanced symbol equations to explain metal extraction techniques.</li> <li>Explain the need for new ways of extracting metals (in particular copper).</li> <li>Explain the importance of LCA and how it can be misused.</li> <li>Carry out LCAs for different products when data is supplied.</li> </ul>	<p>Numeracy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graphs</li> <li>Yield calculations</li> </ul> <p>Literacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of tier three words</li> <li>Extended writing opportunities</li> </ul>	<p>Challenge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluating the use of different materials</li> <li>Higher level questions – comparison of methods to make water fit to drink.</li> </ul> <p>Scaffold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre prepared graph axes</li> <li>Knowledge organisers</li> <li>Scaffold for extended writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 questions to start – recall activity every lesson.</li> <li>Close the gap questions</li> <li>Self and peer feedback on tasks completed</li> <li>Structure strip</li> <li>Past paper exam Qs.</li> <li>Summative assessment at the end of the unit</li> </ul>

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