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Collision Theory	Factors affecting rates	Calculating rates	Collecting gas compulsory practical	Precipitation compulsory practical	Reversible reactions and equilibrium	Check 20	Misconceptions
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## Key Words

Key Word	Definition
Activation energy	Minimum amount of energy the particles must have to react
Concentration	Number of particles in a given volume
Collisions theory	In order for particles to react they must collide with the activation energy
Catalyst	A substance that speeds up a chemical reaction without being used up
Enzyme	Biological Catalyst
Reversible reaction	A reaction that can go forwards and backwards $\rightleftharpoons$
Equilibrium	When the forwards and backwards reaction, happen at the same rate in a closed system

## Misconceptions

Volume does not affect the rate of reaction. Temperature, concentration, surface areas and catalysts affect the rate of reaction.

More collisions doesn't mean a faster rate of reaction. More 'frequent' collisions means there are more collisions per unit of time.

During equilibrium the forwards and backwards reaction happen at the same rate in closed system. The reactions happen at the same time, but the key thing is the rate.

## Key questions

What factors affect the rate of a chemical reaction?

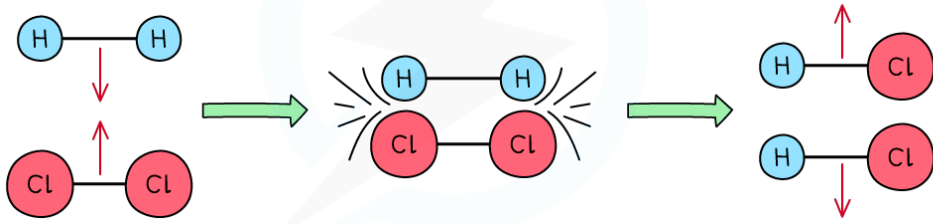
State the definition for equilibrium

Give an example of a catalyst

## Collision theory

Chemical reactions can occur only when reacting particles collide with sufficient energy.

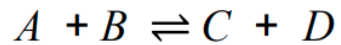
The amount of energy they need is referred to as activation energy → minimum amount of energy particles must have to react



If particles collide without the activation energy, they do not react

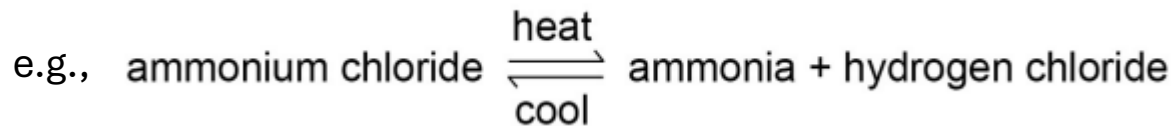
## Reversible reactions

Reversible reactions are where the products of a reaction, can react to make the original products again



⇌ is the symbol for a reversible reaction

The direction of a reaction can be changed by changing the conditions



If a reversible reaction is exothermic in one direction, it is endothermic in the opposite direction – the same amount of energy is transferred in each case

## Calculating Rates

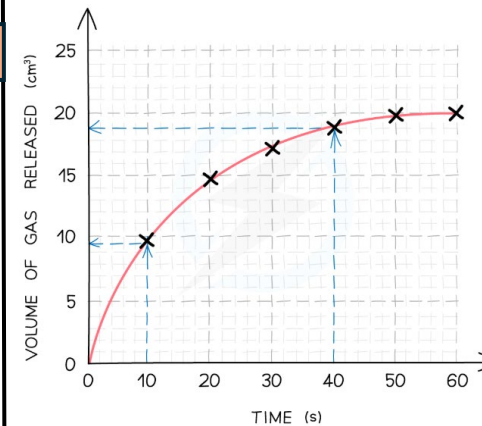
To find the rate of a reaction you need to measure the quantity of a reactant used or the quantity of a product formed over time

$$\text{mean rate of reaction} = \frac{\text{quantity of reactant used}}{\text{time taken}}$$

$$\text{mean rate of reaction} = \frac{\text{quantity of product formed}}{\text{time taken}}$$

Units for this: g/s or cm<sup>3</sup>/s

## Calculating rates from graphs



1. Work out difference in volume
2. Work out difference in time
3.  $\frac{\text{Difference in volume}}{\text{difference in time}}$   
e.g.,  $10 \div 30 = 0.33\text{cm}^3/\text{s}$

## Equilibrium

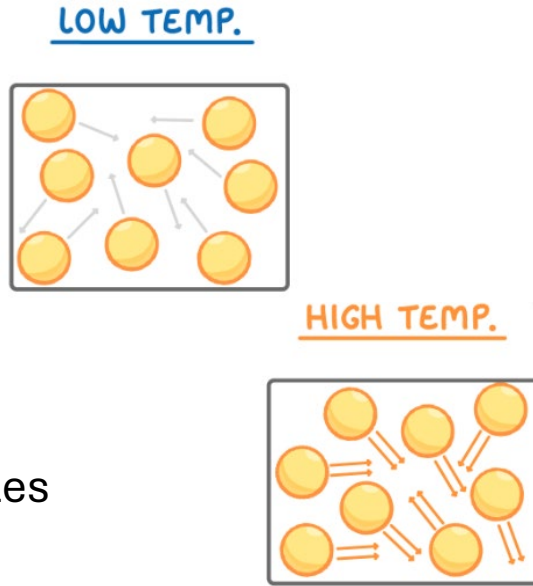
When the forwards and backwards reaction, happen at the same rate in a closed system

## Factors affecting rates

### Temperature

Increasing the temperature, increases the rate of reaction

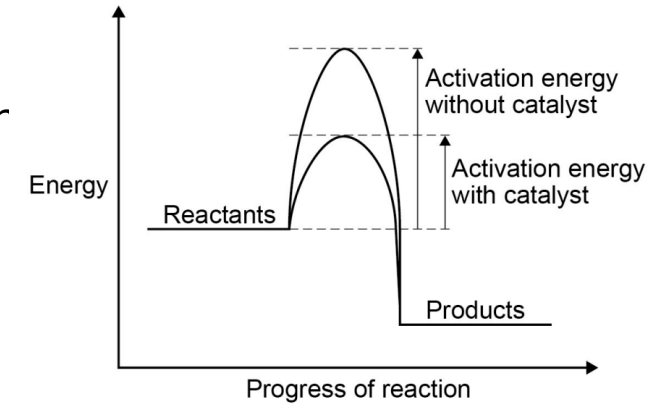
This is because the particles have more energy, so move faster. Resulting in more frequent, successful collisions (more particles have the activation energy)



### Catalysts

Using a catalyst, increases the rate of reaction

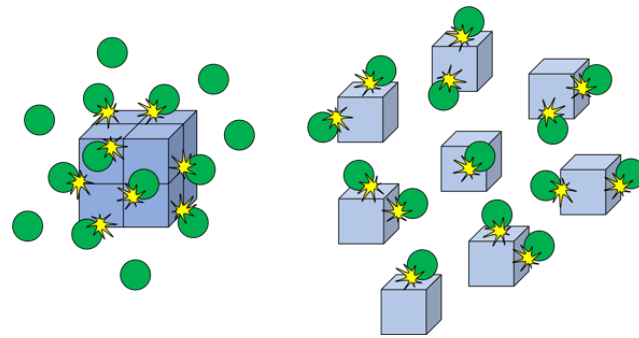
Catalysts provide an alternative route for the reaction to happen, that requires less activation energy



### Surface area

Increasing the surface area, increases the rate of reaction

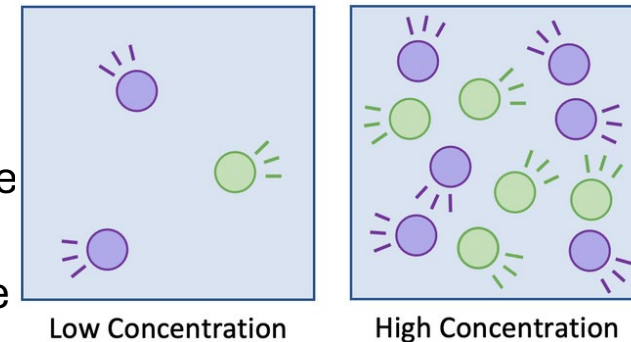
This is because there are more particles available to react so there will be more frequent collisions



### Concentration

Increasing the concentration, increases the rate of reaction

This is because there are more particles in the same volume, which means the particles are closer together, resulting in more frequent collisions



## Compulsory practical – Gas collection

This method can be used when one of the products is a gas.

Possible independent variables:

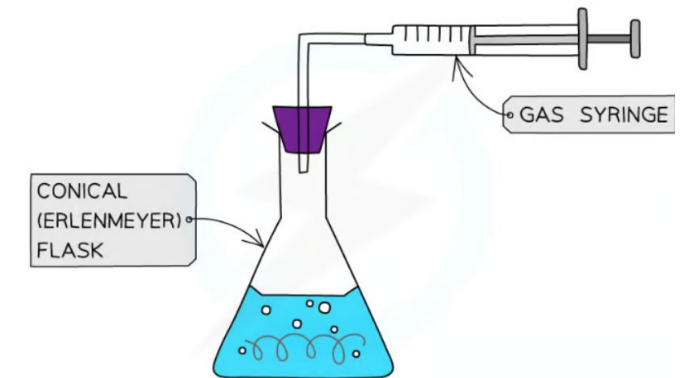
- Surface area of Mg or marble chips
- Concentration / temperature of acid

Dependent variable:

- Volume of gas produced every 10seconds or time taken to collect 20cm<sup>3</sup> of gas

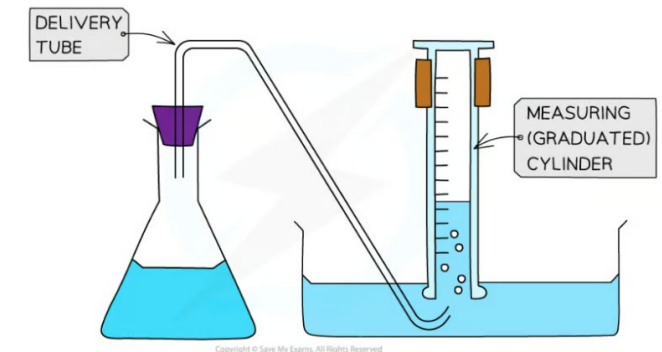
Control variables

- Volume of acid
- Mass of Mg/ marble chips



**Example – investigate how changing the concentration of acid, affects the rate of reaction**

1. Measure out 25cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid using a measuring cylinder and add to conical flask
2. Add 1g of magnesium to the flask and connect gas syringe quickly
3. Start stopwatch
4. Time how long it takes to collect 20cm<sup>3</sup> of gas and record
5. Repeat and calculate a mean
6. Repeat with 4 more concentrations of acid



## Compulsory practical - precipitation

This method can be used when one of the products is a solid

Possible independent variables:

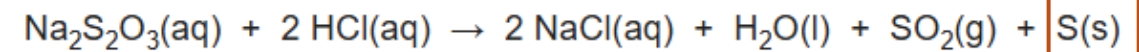
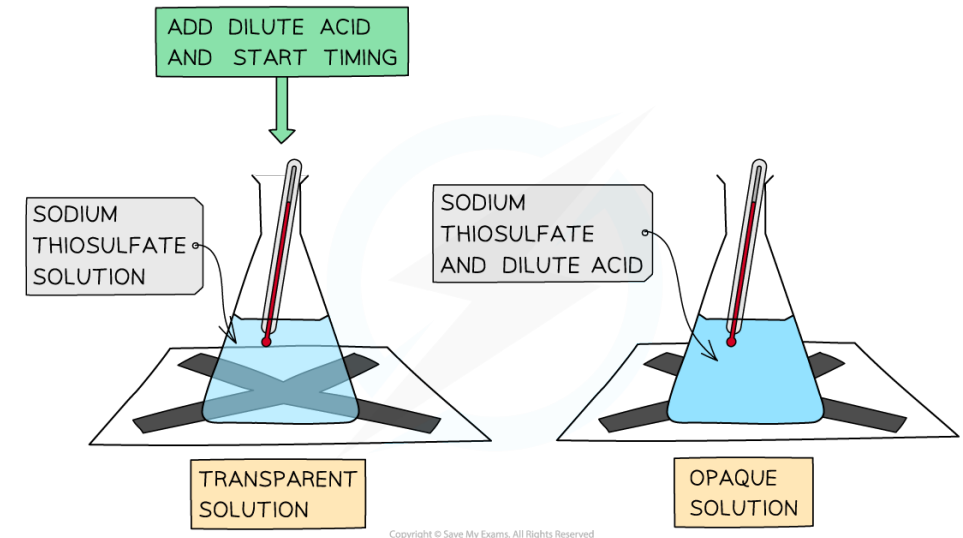
- Temperature, concentration of hydrochloric acid
- Temperature, concentration of sodium thiosulfate

Dependent variable:

- Time taken for cross to disappear

Control variable

- Volume of hydrochloric acid
- Volume of sodium thiosulfate



Solution goes cloudy because sulfur is made, which is a solid (precipitate)

**Example – investigate how changing the concentration of acid, affects the rate of reaction**

1. Place a conical flask on top on a black cross
2. Measure out 25cm<sup>3</sup> of hydrochloric acid using a measuring cylinder and add to conical flask
3. With a new measuring cylinder, measure out 5cm<sup>3</sup> of sodium thiosulfate
4. Add the sodium thiosulfate to the flask and start the stopwatch
5. Time how long it takes for the cross to disappear and record
6. Repeat twice more and calculate a mean
7. Repeat with 4 more concentrations of acid

Hydrocarbons and their properties	Crude oil and its uses	Fractional distillation 1	Fractional distillation 2	Cracking	Check 20	Misconceptions lesson
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## Key Words

## Key Questions

Key Word	definition
Hydrocarbon	Compound made of hydrogen and carbon only
Crude oil	Mixture of Hydrocarbons
Saturated	Each carbon makes 4 single covalent bonds
Unsaturated	Each carbon does not make 4 single covalent bonds
Alkanes	Saturated hydrocarbons
Alkenes	Unsaturated hydrocarbons (contain a double bond)
Viscosity	How gloopy something is
Fraction	Hydrocarbons are hydrocarbons with similar boiling points

What 2 processes are involved in fractional distillation?

How is cracking done and why is it done?

How is crude oil formed?

How do we test for the presence of alkenes?

## Properties of hydrocarbons

Hydrocarbons are compounds made of hydrogen and carbon only  
 As the hydrocarbon chain gets smaller hydrocarbons become:

- more flammable
- more runny (less viscous)
- lower boiling point

## Complete Combustion

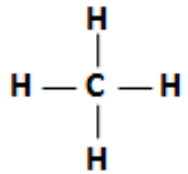
fuel + oxygen → carbon dioxide + water

## Incomplete Combustion

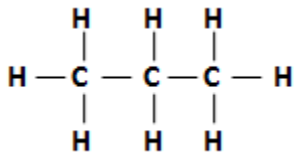
Happens when there is not enough oxygen  
 fuel + oxygen → carbon + carbon monoxide + water

## Alkanes

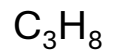
Alkanes are saturated hydrocarbons (each carbon makes 4 single bonds)



Methane



Propane

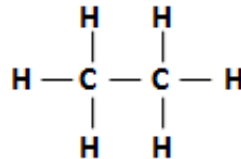
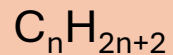


Way to remember (count on fingers)

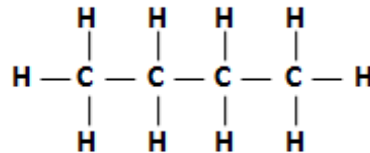
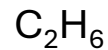
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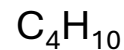
General formula  
 for alkanes



Ethane



Butane



## Crude oil

Crude oil is a mixture of hydrocarbons

It is made from plankton, which has been buried under mud for millions of years



## Cracking

There is a **high demand** for shorter chain alkanes, but they are in **short supply**. Long chain hydrocarbons are broken down into a shorter alkane and an alkenes.

### Conditions

- High temperature to vaporise hydrocarbon
- Mix with steam (steam cracking)
- or
- Pass over catalyst (catalytic cracking)

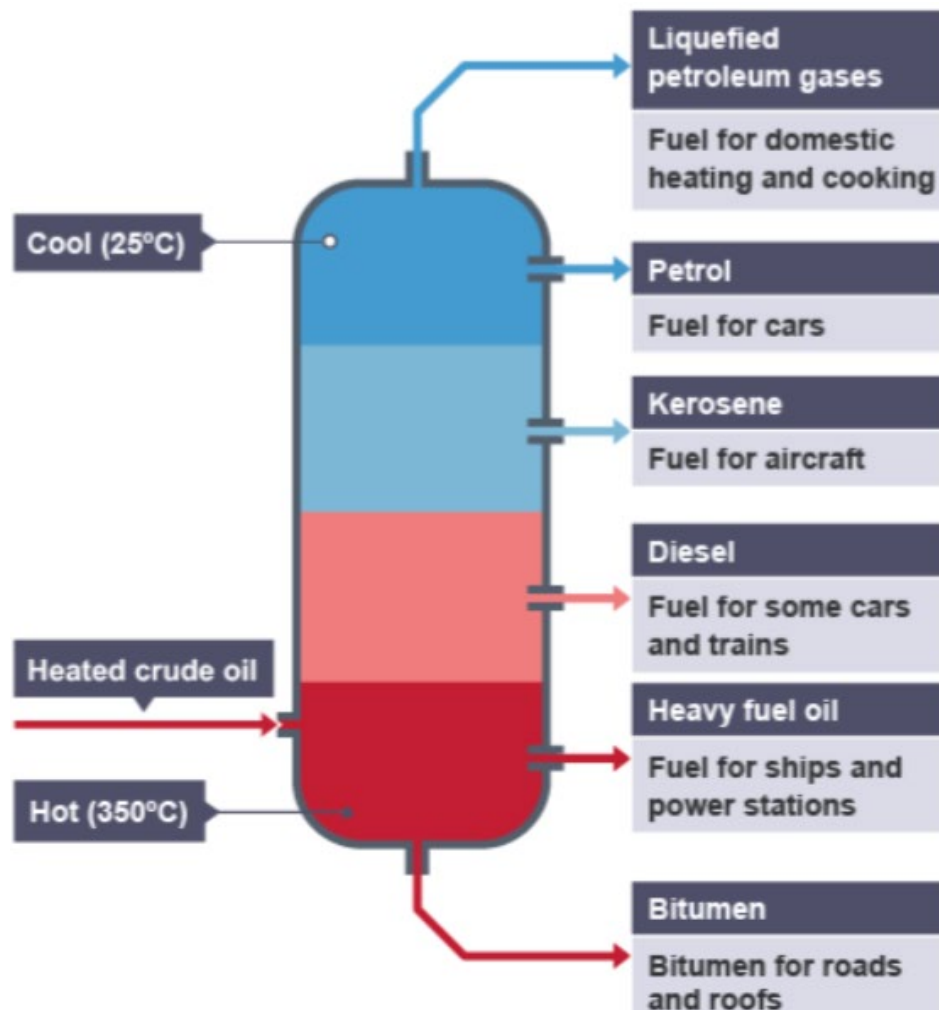
## Fractional distillation

Crude oil is heated until it evaporates

Vapours enter the fractionating column which has a temperature gradient (hot at the bottom, cooler at the top)

Different fractions have different boiling points

So, fractions condense at different points along the column depending on their boiling point



## Uses of fractions

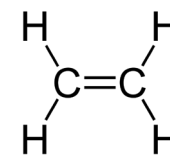
Many fractions are used as fuels:

- Petrol
- Diesel
- Kerosene

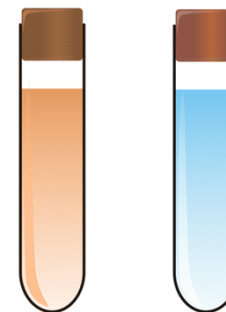
Some fractions become feedstock for the petrochemical industry. Products from the petrochemical industry include:

- Solvents
- Lubricants
- Detergents
- Polymers

## Testing for alkenes



Alkenes are unsaturated hydrocarbons (each carbon does not make 4 single bonds)



Orange bromine water will turn **colourless** when an alkene is present

It **stays orange** in when an alkane is present

Pure Substances and formulations	Chromatography theory	Chromatography compulsory practical	Gas tests	Check 20	Misconceptions lesson
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Key Words		Misconceptions			
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Key Word	Definition
Pure substance	Made of a single element or compound

Formulation	Mixture that has been designed as a useful product
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Chromatography	Method used to separate mixtures and give information to help identify substances
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Mobile phase (paper chromatography)	Solvent (moves up the paper)
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Stationary phase (paper chromatography)	Paper (does not move)
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Pure substances are not things that simply don't have anything added to them. They are made of single elements or compounds

Start line in chromatography must be above the solvent level to stop the substances washing off

When calculating  $R_f$  values. Always divide the distance moved by substance by the distance moved by the solvent. Answers are between 0 and 1

In gas tests, the only test that results in a squeaky pop is hydrogen

Key questions			
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What is a pure substance?

What is a formulation?

What are the two phases in paper chromatography?

What is the equation to calculate  $R_f$  values?

Describe the test and result for hydrogen?

## Pure Substances

**A pure substance is a single element or compound**

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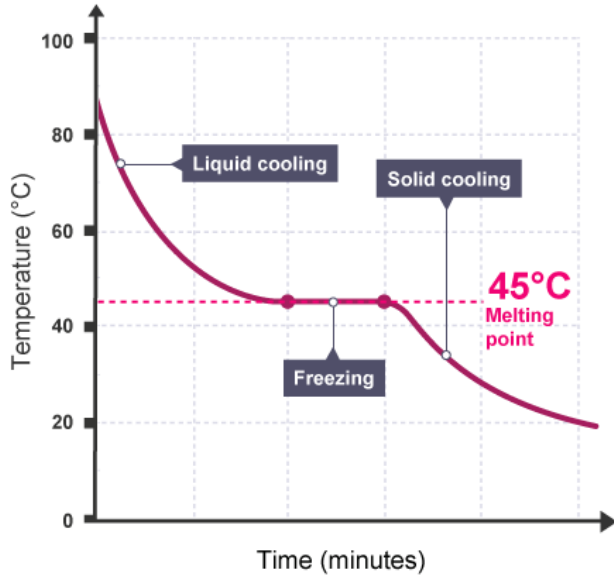
Carbon = pure

Carbon dioxide = pure

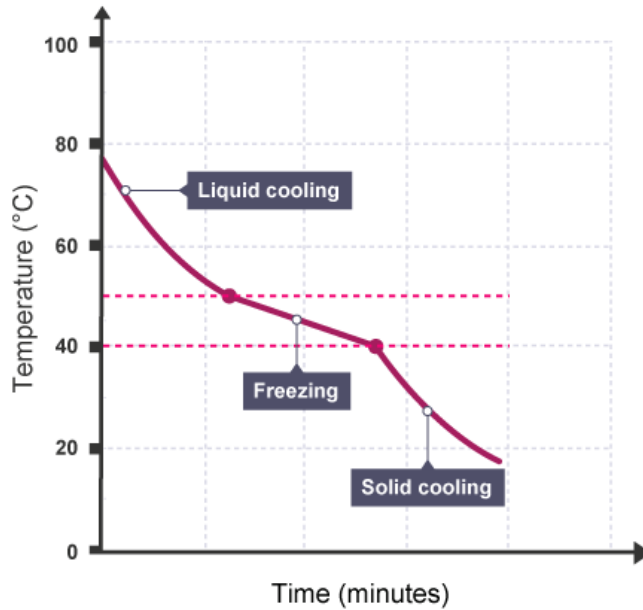
Air = impure (this is because it is a mixture of elements and compounds)

Pure substances melt and boil at specific temperatures

Mixtures melt and boil over a range of temperatures



Pure – freezes at a specific temperature



Impure/ mixture – freezes over a range of temperatures

## Formulations

**A formulation is a mixture designed as a useful product**

e.g., Fuels, fertilisers and medicines

## Gas Tests

### Hydrogen

Test: Lit splint

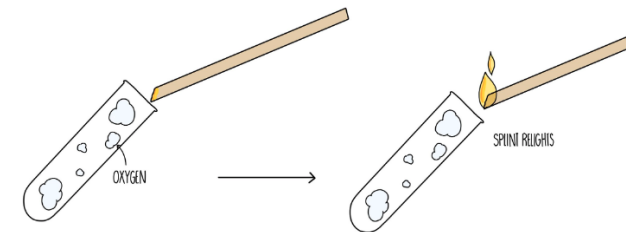
Result: Squeaky pop



### Oxygen

Test: Glowing splint

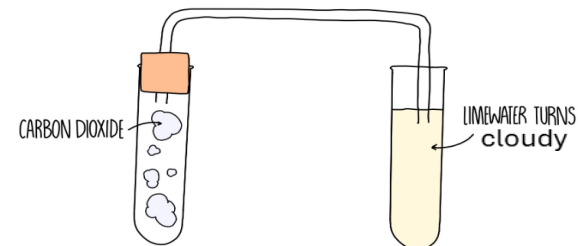
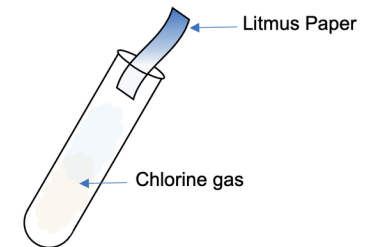
Result: Relights



### Chlorine

Test: Damp blue litmus paper

Result: Bleaches white



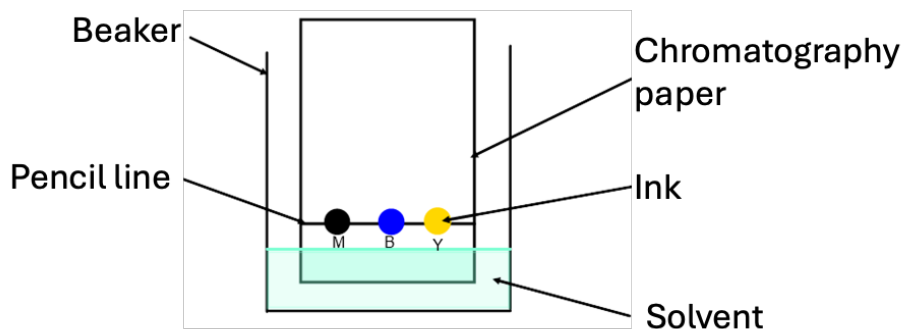
### Carbon dioxide

Test: Limewater

Result: Goes cloudy

Chromatography

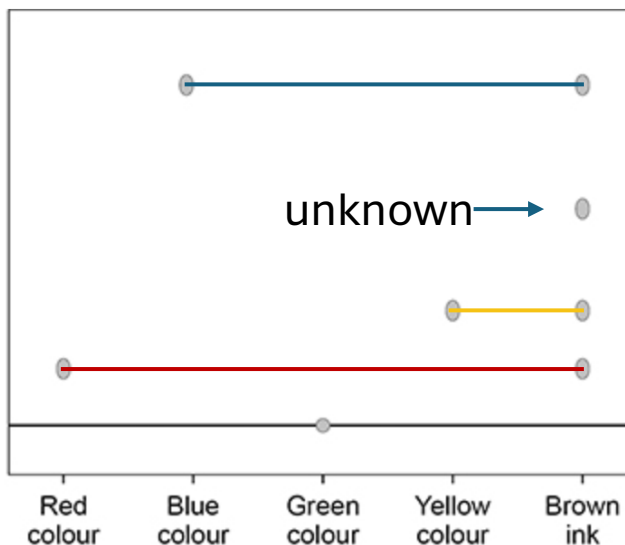
Method used to separate mixtures and give information to help identify substances



Start line is drawn in pencil as it is insoluble. If it was drawn in pen, it would run.

Solvent must be below the start line. This stops the substances washing off into the solvent

Chromatography separates substances based on their solubility. The more soluble, the higher up the paper it travels e.g. blue is most soluble, green is insoluble as it doesn't move off the start line



Understanding chromatograms

- **1 spot** in a vertical line means it is a **pure** substance e.g., red, blue, yellow
- **More than 1 spot** in a vertical line means a **mixture** e.g., brown ink
- To work out what is in the mixture, look at spots that match e.g., in brown ink there is red, yellow and blue and an unknown

Phases of chromatography

**Mobile** phase – in paper chromatography, this is the solvent. It **moves** and carries the components up the paper

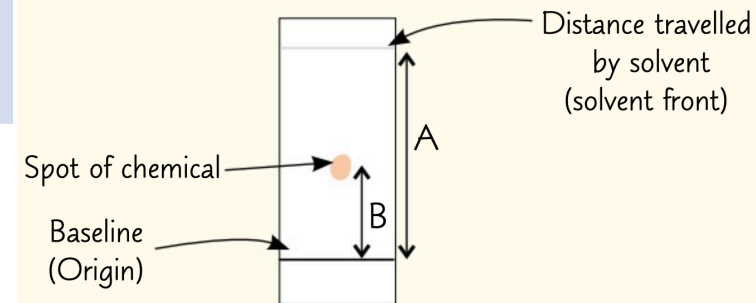
**Stationary** phase – in paper chromatography, this is the paper. It **doesn't mover** and the components move up it.

R<sub>f</sub> Values

$$R_f \text{ value} = \frac{\text{distance travelled by substance (B)}}{\text{distance travelled by solvent (A)}}$$

Hints:

- Always measure to middle of the spot
- Answers should be between 0 and 1.
- Check the questions for the units to measure in e.g., mm or cm



Evolution of the Atmosphere	Greenhouse Effect and Climate Change	Carbon Footprints	Air Pollution	Check 20	Misconceptions
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### Key Words

Key Word	Definition
Photosynthesis	<p>The diagram shows the chemical equation for photosynthesis: <math>6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O} \xrightarrow[\text{Chlorophyll}]{\text{Sunlight}} \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2</math>. It includes icons for carbon dioxide (cloud), water (drop), sunlight (arrows), glucose (hexagon), and oxygen (cloud).</p>
Greenhouse gas	Gases that help maintain the Earth's temperature. They are water vapour, carbon dioxide and methane
Climate change	Caused by an increase in the average global temperature
Carbon footprint	Total amount of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases emitted over a full life cycle
Particulates	Solid particles of carbon
Complete combustion	Products: $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
Incomplete combustion	Happens when there is not enough oxygen Products: $\text{C} + \text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

### Misconceptions

<p>Air is mostly <math>\text{O}_2</math> and <math>\text{CO}_2</math>. This is wrong only 20% is <math>\text{O}_2</math> and 0.04% <math>\text{CO}_2</math>. It is mostly <math>\text{N}_2</math> which is 80%</p>	<p>Global warming is a consequence of climate change. Wrong. Global warming is the increase in the Earth's average temperature. It causes climate change</p>	<p>Humans causing climate change is completely made up. Wrong. The evidence for this has been peer reviewed - checked by lots of scientists who agree it is human caused</p>
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### Key questions

<p>How did <math>\text{O}_2</math> levels change as the atmosphere evolved?</p>	<p>How is <math>\text{SO}_2</math> made and what problems can it cause?</p>
<p>How did <math>\text{CO}_2</math> levels change as the atmosphere evolved?</p>	<p>Give some potential effects of global climate change</p>

## Today's Atmosphere

- Nitrogen (N<sub>2</sub>) = 80% or 4/5
- Oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) = 20% or 1/5
- Small proportions of other gases including carbon dioxide, water vapour and noble gases

## Evolution of the Atmosphere

**Intense volcanic activity** released CO<sub>2</sub> which made the Earth's early atmosphere mostly CO<sub>2</sub> with little or no O<sub>2</sub>. This is similar to the atmosphere of Mars and Venus today.



Volcanoes also produced N<sub>2</sub> which has built up in the atmosphere, as well as small amounts of CH<sub>4</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>.



**Water vapour was also released by volcanoes which cooled and condensed to form the oceans.**



CO<sub>2</sub> dissolved into the oceans and carbonates were precipitated, producing sediment. Algae and plants evolved about 2.7 billion years ago which carried out photosynthesis absorbing more CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere. **CO<sub>2</sub> levels decreased by the formation of sedimentary rocks and fossil fuels and by being absorbed for photosynthesis.**



**O<sub>2</sub> levels increased due to photosynthesis**

This is a theory as the timescale of this is 4.6 billion years, so evidence is limited

## Greenhouse Gases

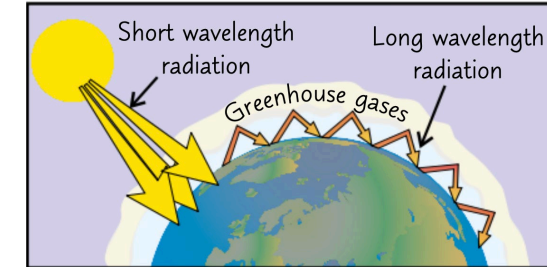
Greenhouse gases in the atmosphere help maintain temperatures on Earth, high enough to support life

3 greenhouse gases

- Carbon dioxide
- Water vapour
- Methane

## Greenhouse Effect

The greenhouse effect is the way in which the greenhouse gases, keep the Earth warm enough:



Short wavelength radiation from the sun, enters the atmosphere

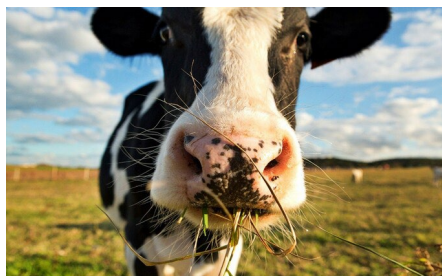
It is absorbed by the earth **and** re-emitted as longer wavelength radiation

This absorbed by greenhouse gases in the atmosphere  
Increasing the temperature of the Earth (global warming)

## Human activities increasing greenhouse gases

Some human activities lead to an increase greenhouse gases in the atmosphere:

- **Agriculture**  
→ releases methane
- **Burning fossil fuels**  
→ releases 'locked up' carbon as CO<sub>2</sub>
- **Deforestation**  
→ less CO<sub>2</sub> absorbed by photosynthesis
- **Creating waste**  
→ releases CO<sub>2</sub> and methane as it decomposes



Based on peer-reviewed evidence, scientists believe these activities will cause the Earth's temperature to increase at the surface and lead to climate change

BUT global climate change is difficult to model as it is complex. This leads to simplified models, speculation and opinions presented in the media what are only based on part of the evidence and can be biased



We should be focused on clean and beautiful air-not expensive and business closing  
**GLOBAL WARMING-a total hoax!**

## Climate Change

An increase in the average global temperature is a major cause of climate change

Consequences of climate change:

- Melting Ice caps
- Rising sea levels
- Flooding
- Extremes of weather (e.g., more frequent and severe storms)
- Loss of habitat

## Carbon Footprints

Measure of the total amount CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gases released over a full life-cycle of a produce, service or event

**Ways to reduce emissions (reduce CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions):**

- Use renewable/ nuclear energy rather than fossil fuels
- Use efficient processes to conserve energy and cut waste
- Carbon capture technology (trap CO<sub>2</sub> and bury underground)
- Government cap emissions
- Governments could tax based on emissions (e.g., ULEZ)

**Issues with this:**

- Still work to be done on alternative technologies with lower emissions.
- Governments worry about effects on economic growth.
- Some people don't want to change and don't get why they should

## Pollutants

<b>Finite and Renewable Resources</b>	<b>Recycling and Reusing</b>	<b>Life Cycle Assessments</b>	<b>Potable Water</b>	<b>Waste Water Treatment</b>	<b>Check 20</b>	<b>Misconceptions</b>
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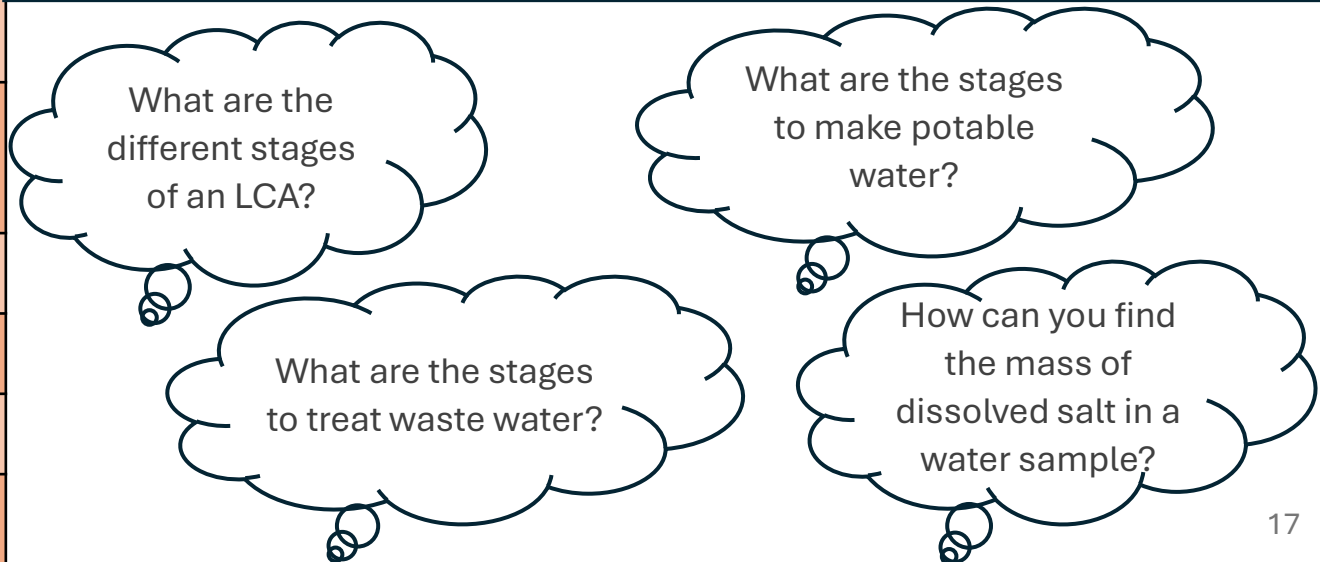
## Key Words

Key Word	Definition
Natural Resource	Minerals that have been made through the formation of the world that can be used for human benefit
Finite Resource	Resource that can only be used once and is in limited supply.
Synthetic	A material made by a chemical process, not naturally occurring.
Renewable Resource	Resources which will not run out in the foreseeable future
Sustainable Development	Development that meets the needs of current generations without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
Potable Water	Water that is safe to drink
Desalination	Removing the salt from seawater
Reuse	Using an item again
Recycle	Processing materials so that they can be used to make new products

## Misconceptions

<p>Potable water is pure. Wrong, potable water must contain a low level of dissolved salts.</p>	<p>Waste water is treated so that it can be drunk. Wrong, waste water is treated so it can be put back into freshwater sources</p>	<p>We won't run out of metals. Wrong, metals are a finite resource. There is only a limited supply</p>
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## Key questions



What are the different stages of an LCA?

What are the stages to make potable water?

What are the stages to treat waste water?

How can you find the mass of dissolved salt in a water sample?

## Resources

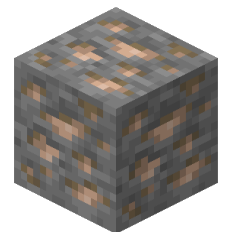
## Sustainable Development

Humans use the Earth's resources for:

- Warmth
- Shelter
- Food
- Transport



**Natural resources**, supplemented by agriculture, provide food, timber, clothing and fuels



**Finite resources** come from the Earth, oceans and atmosphere which are processed to provide energy and materials e.g., metals and crude oil, which is separated using fractional distillation to provide lots of different fuels

**Renewable resources** are those that will not run out for the foreseeable future e.g., wood



Chemistry plays an important role in improving agricultural and industrial processes to provide new products. E.g., fertilisers, which are used to increase soil fertility, were traditionally obtained from manure. But humans developed the Haber process to make synthetic fertilisers which allow use to farm intensively and produce enough food for the growing population

Development that meets the needs of current generations without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs

## Getting resources

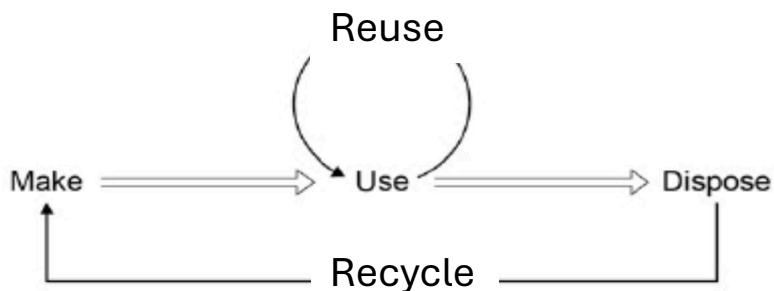
Extracting, processing and using resources is not always sustainable

Metals, glass, building materials, clay ceramics and most plastics come from limited resources (they will run out)

Obtaining raw materials from the Earth, such as metal ores, is often done by quarrying and mining which can have environmental impacts such as creating noise pollution and damaging habitats

Processing resources uses energy that comes from limited resources e.g., burning fossil fuels

## Ways to reduce the use of resources



### Reusing and recycling:

- Conserves finite resources
- Reduces use of energy resources
- Reduces waste going to landfill

### Glass

- Some can be reused
- Recycled by crushing and melting to make new glass products

### Metals

- can be recycled by melting and recasting

To recycle metals, some separation can be required. It depends on how pure you needed the final product. E.g., copper for electrical wire needs to be very pure, so to make it from recycled copper it has be processed

Steel for construction doesn't have to be so pure, so scrap iron can be added easily to a steel furnace which reduces the cost of making steel

## Life Cycle Assessments

Life cycle assessments are done to **assess the environmental impact of products** in each of the following stages:

1. Extracting and processing raw materials
2. Manufacturing and packaging
3. Use and operation during its lifetime
4. Disposal at the end of its useful life, including transport and distribution at each stage

### Making LCAs

Some things factored into LCA's can be easily quantified e.g., use of water, resources and production of some wastes.

Other things can be more difficult to assign figures to e.g., pollutants and this means is requires value judgments which means LCA's can be subjective

	Plastic bag	Paper bag
Raw materials	Crude oil or natural gas	Wood
Energy used in MJ	1.5	1.7
Mass of solid waste in g	14	50
Mass of CO <sub>2</sub> produced in kg	0.23	0.53
Volume of fresh water used in dm <sup>3</sup>	255	4 520

**Some LCA's are selective.** This means they are used to evaluate a product but can be misused and manipulated to reach pre-determined conclusions, e.g., in support of claims for advertising purposes

## Potable Water

## Waste Water Treatment

Potable water is water that is safe to drink. This is water that has a sufficiently low level of dissolved salts and microbes. It is not pure water as it contains dissolved substances (salts).

Waste water has to be treated before it re-enters fresh water sources.

The way potable water is produced is dependent on available supplies of water and local conditions:

In the UK, rainwater provides water with low levels of dissolved substances (fresh water) that collects as groundwater.

Sewage and agricultural waste needs organic matter and harmful microbes removing. Industrial waste water may need harmful chemicals removing as well

### Potable water is produced by:

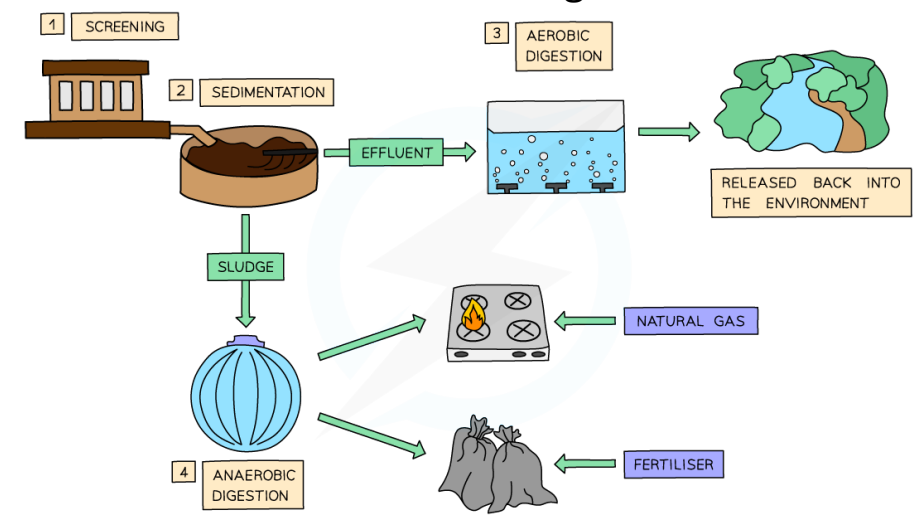
1. Choose and appropriate water source (river or lake)
2. **Filter** – pass water through wire mesh then filter beds of sand and gravel to remove solids
3. **Sterilise** – kill harmful microbes using chlorine, ozone or UV

In places where freshwater is limited, desalination may have to be carried out (removing salt from seawater)

### Methods of desalination:

- Distillation
- Reverse osmosis (uses membranes)

Problems with desalination are that it requires large amounts of energy and can only be done on small volumes of water

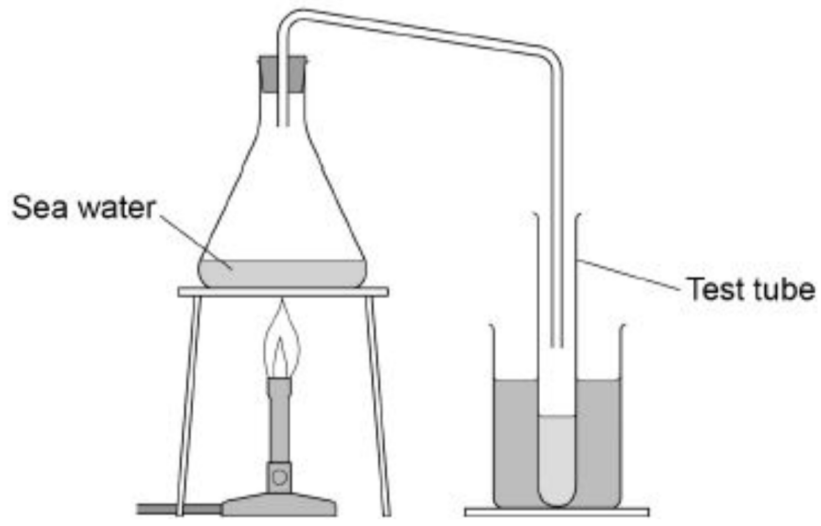


### Stages:

1. **Screening and grit removal**  
→ Waste is passed through wire grid to remove solids and grit
2. **Sedimentation**  
→ Waste is allowed to settle in a tank forming effluent which floats and sludge which sinks
3. **Aerobic biological digestion of effluent**
4. **Anaerobic digestion of sewage sludge** (this releases methane which can be used as natural gas, and the remaining organic matter can be used as fertiliser)

Compulsory Practical

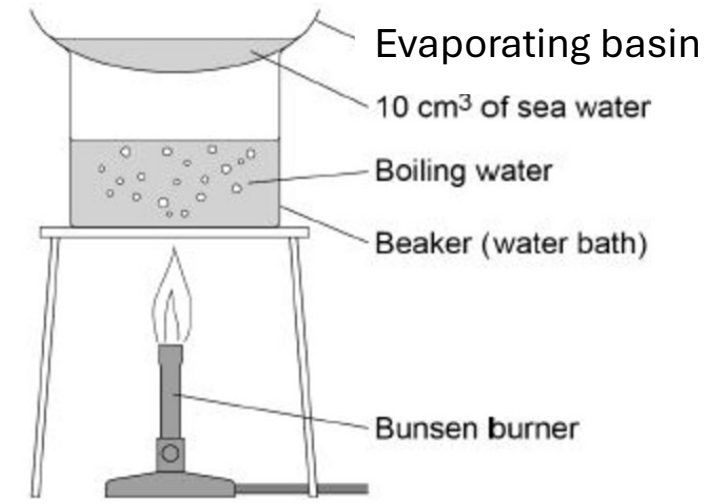
Distillation



Distillation can be used to make pure water from seawater

Water **evaporates** in the conical flask, the vapour travels down the tube and the cold water in the beaker, makes the vapour **condenses** so that pure water is collected in the test tube

Finding the mass of dissolved solids in water sample



Method:

1. Measure mass of dry evaporating basin and record
2. Measure out 10cm<sup>3</sup> of seawater using measuring cylinder and pour into evaporating basin
3. Heat over a water bath until all the water has evaporated (heat until mass is constant)
4. Dry the bottom of the evaporating basin (removes any condensation)
5. Reweigh evaporating basin and record mass
6. Subtract mass of dry evaporating basin to find the mass of dissolved solids