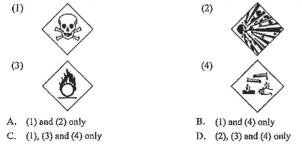
SECTION 0 Laboratory Safety and Precautions

Multiple-Choice Questions

CE88_39

Which of the following hazard warning labels should be attached to a bottle of liquid bromine?



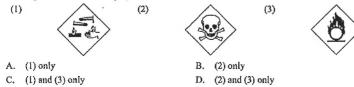
CE89_27

Which of the following combinations would cause "striking back" in a Bunsen flame?

	Air hole	Gas supply
Α.	Fully closed	Too weak
в.	Fully closed	Too strong
C.	Fully open	Too weak
D.	Fully open	Too strong

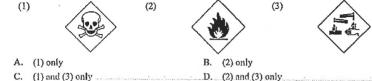
CE91_05

Tetrachloromethane is a common solvent in the chemistry laboratory. Which of the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on a bottle of tetrachloromethane?



CE94_32

Which of the following label(s) should be placed on a bottle containing tetrachloromethane



CE97_10

Which of the following combinations is INCORRECT?

	Chemical	Method of storage
А,	Calcium	Under water
В.	Potassium	Under paraffin oil
С.	Ethanol	In a cool place
D.	Solution	In a brown bottle

CE99_35

The label below is displayed on a container for chemical X:



which of the following chemicals may A b	h of the following chemicals may X b	icals may X be	chemical	llowing	foll	the	Which of	
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- (1) Bromochlorodifluoromethane
- (2) Ethanol
- (3) Potassium A. (1) only

C. (1) and (3) only

B. (2) only

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D. (2) and (3) only

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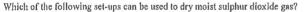
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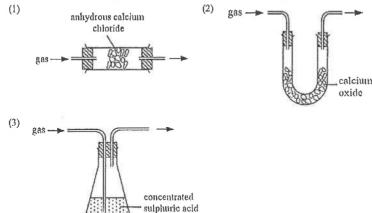
CE01_02

The hazard warning label shown below is found on a compressed gas cylinder.

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Wh	ich of the followin	ig gases may be conta	ained in the	cylinder?
A.	hydrogen		В.	oxygen
C.	chlorine		D.	argon

CE02 38





 A.
 (1) and (2) only
 B.
 (1) and (3) only

 C.
 (2) and (3) only
 D.
 (1), (2) and (3)

CE04_05

Which of the following statements concerning nitric acid is correct?

- A. Nitric acid can be used as fertilizer.
- B. Nitrogen monoxide is a raw material in the manufacture of nitric acid.
- C. In the laboratory, concentrated nitric acid is commonly stored in brown bottles.

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D. The following hazard warning label should be displayed on a bottle of concentrated nitic acid.

CE05_18

The following hazard warning labels are displayed on the reagent bottle of an acid.



What information about this acid can be obtained from the labels?

- A. It is very concentrated and flammable.
- B. It is very concentrated and oxidizing.
- C. It is flammable and corrosive,
- D. It is corrosive and oxidizing.

CE06_11

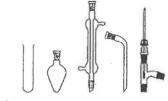
Which of the following statements about acids is correct?

- A. Nitric acid is used in car batteries.
- B. Hydrochloric acid is produced in human stomach.
- C. Ethanoic acid is strong oxidizing agent.
- D. The following hazard warning label should be displayed on a bottle of concentrated sulphuric acid.

CE08_26

Consider the following pieces of apparatus:

Which of the following process can be performed by normal use of some or all of the above apparatus?



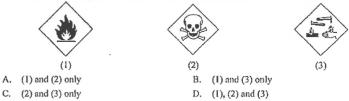
- (1) Refluxing a reacting mixture
- (2) Separating two immiscible liquids
- (3) Performing a simple distillation
- A. (1) and (2) only
- C. (2) and (3) only

CE09_25

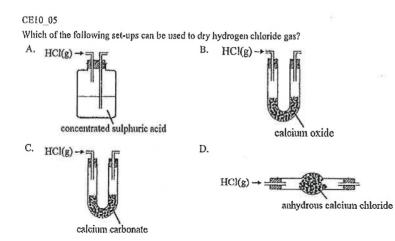
Which of the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on the reagent bottle of methanol?

B. (1) and (3) only

D. (1), (2) and (3)







CE10_26

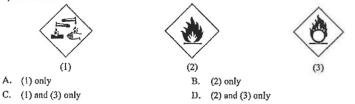
Which of the following safety measures should be taken when investigating the reaction between sodium and water?

- (1) Use forceps to pick sodium.
- (2) Use a small piece of sodium.
- (3) Use a small amount of water.
- A. (1) and (2) only
- C. (2) and (3) only D. (1), (2) and (3)

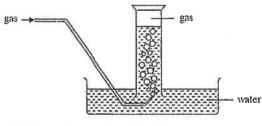
CE10_42

Which of the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on a bottle of concentrated hydrochloric acid?

B. (1) and (3) only



CE11 10



The set-up shown in the above diagram can be used to collect

- A. ethene, B. ammonia,
- C. sulphur dioxide. D. hydrogen chloride.

CE11_19

- What is / are the potential hazard(s) of mixing an acidic toilet cleaner with chlorine bleach?
- (1) A toxic gas is liberated.
- (2) A large amount of heat is given.
- (3) A flammable substance is produced,
 - B. (2) only

B. (2) only

D. (2) and (3) only

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C. (1) and (3) only D. (2) and (3) only

CE11_20

A. (1) only

Which of the following gases can be	dried by using	concentrated subhuric ac	id?
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- (I) Ammonia
- (2) Sulphur dioxide
- (3) Hydrogen chloride
- A. (1) only
- C. (1) and (3) only

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The following hazard warning labels are displayed on the reagent bottle of an acid.

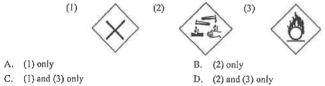


What information about this acid can be obtained from the labels?

- A. It is very concentrated and flammable.
- B. It is very concentrated and oxidizing.
- C. It is flammable and corrosive,
- D. It is corrosive and oxidizing.

DSE14 15

Which of the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on both the reagent bottle storing concentrated sulphuric acid and the reagent bottle storing concentrated hydrochloric acid?



DSE15 01

Which of the following statements is correct?

- A. All aqueous solutions contain H⁺(aq) ions,
- B. The pH of all acid solutions is greater than zero.
- C. All acidic compounds contain hydrogen as their constituent elements.
- D. A 'corrosive' hazard warning label must be displayed on all reagent bottles containing acid solution.

DSE16_19

The hazard warning label below is displayed on a bottle containing chemical Z:



Which of the following chemicals may Z be?

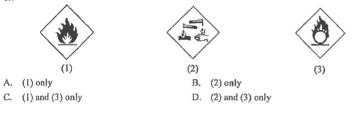
- (1) Sodium
- (2) Trichloromethane
- (3) Concentrated aqueous ammonia
- A. (1) only

C. (1) and (3) only D. (2) and (3) only

DSE18 20

Which of the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on a bottle containing propan-2ol?

B. (2) only



	tural Questions	
	9(J)_08a(ii)	
Sug	gest how to extinguish	
(I)	Burning cyclohexane in a conical flask, and	
		(1 mark
(II)	Burning sodium	
		(1 mark
AL0	0(1)_07c(ii)	
Wh	at hazard warning label should be displayed on a bottle of ammonium nitrate(V) solid?
		(1 mark
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AL03	3(1)_086	
The	following compounds can be used as drying agents:	
	Na2SO4(s), NaOH(s), CaCl2(s) and P2O3(s)	
Cho	ose, from the above, one compound which is most suitable and effective	
(i)	for drying a solution of C6H3CO2H in CHCl3.	
.,		(1 mark
(ii)	for drying a moist solid sample of $C_6H_5CO_2H$.	(
	0	(1 mark
		(1 mark
AL04	(I) 07	
	udent proposed a method to determine the concentration of citric acid in a sa	mule of lemor
	by titration with standard sodium hydroxide solution. The method proposed	
	wing experimental procedures:	00111111110 01 1111
1.	Prepare a standard sodium hydroxide solution by dissolving a known m	ass of sodium
	hydroxide pellets in deionized water and then make it up to 250.0 cm ³ ,	
2,	Transfer a known volume of the sample of lemon juice to a clean conical flas	k
3.	Fill a burette, which has been well rinsed with deionized water beforehand, wi	
	sodium hydroxide solution.	an are aterioure
4.	Titrate the lemon juice in the flask with the sodium hydroxide solution using	mathul organ
	as the indicator.	memyi orange
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ч,	Using this titration result, calculate the concentrate of citric acid in the sample	е.

Point out four inappropriate practices in the method. Explain why they are inappropriate and suggest corrections for them,

(6 marks)

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AL04(I)_08c

The following passage about an explosion involving hydrogen-oxygen balloons was adapted from a chemical journal.

Hydrogen-Oxygen Balloon Hazards

An accident occurred prior to the performance of a hydrogen-oxygen balloon demonstration, seriously injuring a demonstrator, who suffered painful second-degree burns.

To prepare for the demonstration, 15 balloons (pre-filled with a hydrogen-oxygen gas mixture) in a large, black polyethene garbage bag were transported to the site and kept there for a few hours. While setting up the demonstration, the demonstrator opened the bag and removed a single balloon for stringing and floating. Suddenly, the entire bag of balloons exploded violently...

(Source: Journal of Chemical Education, July 2003)

Using your knowledge of science, suggest why the explosion occurred.

(3 marks)

AL04(I)_08d

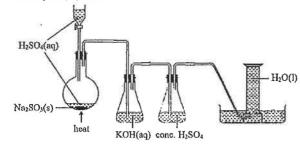
- Explain why carbon dioxide extinguishers must not be used to put out a piece of burning sodium.
- (i) Suggest a proper way to put out a piece of burning sodium in the laboratory.
 (1 mark)

AL04(I)_07a

 Suggest one hazard warning label which should be displayed on a bottle of propan-2-ol. (1 mark)

AL04(I)_07b

 (ii) A student suggested to use the set-up shown below to prepare a dry sample of sulphur dixodec from sodium sulphate(VI) solid.



Point out two mistakes in the above set-up, and suggest the corresponding rectifications.

(4 marks)

AL05(I)_08

The photograph below shows a person conducting a test in a laboratory to detect the presence of ammonium ions in a solid sample. He is holding a test tube containing a hot mixture of the sample and sodium hydroxide solution, and is trying to smell.



State three inappropriate laboratory practices of the person and suggest the proper actions that should be taken.

(3 marks)

AL06(I) 07b

 (i) Circle the hazard warning label(s) below that should be displayed on a bottle of liquid bromine.



(1 mark)

(ii) A few drops of liquid bromine are spilt on a laboratory bench. Suggest a chemical method to treat the splite liquid bromine.

(I mark)

AL06(I)_08b

State a possible consequence from each of the following poor laboratory techniques:

- (i) Draining the lower layer from a separating funnel without removing the stopper.
- (ii) Determining the melting point of a compound without completely removing the solvent after recrystallization.

AL07(I)_07

In a chemistry laboratory, students are required to wear laboratory coat, plastic gloves and safety spectacles. Which of these safety measures do you consider the most important? Explain.

(2 marks)





(ii) Suggest why the following hazard warning labels should be displayed on a bottle of $LiA|H_4(s)$.





AL08(II) 04

Suggest ONE safety precaution when shaking the liquid mixture in the separating funnel.

(1 mark)

AL09(1) 07c

Explain why water should NOT be added to concentrated H₂SO₄ in order to dilute the acid. (1 mark)

AL09(I)_07d

Suggest the most appropriate hazard warning label that should be displayed on a bottle of NaClO3(s).

(1 mark)

AL10(1) 07b

State under what circumstances each of the following practices would be adopted and explain your answer.

(i) The use of an air condenser instead of a water condenser in reflux.

(2 marks)

(ii) The use of concentrated H₃PO₄ instead of concentrated H₂SO₄ in the preparation of hydrogen halides from the corresponding sodium halides.

(2 marks)

DSE12PP 08

- (b) A concentrated aqueous methanol solution is used as the fuel in DMFC.
 - (ii) Circle TWO of the following hazard warning labels that should be displayed on the container of a concentrated aqueous methanol solution.









(1 mark)

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DSE12 07

A fertilizer only contains animonium nitrate (NH4NO₃) and potassium chloride (KCl). An experiment was performed to determine the percentage by mass of NH4NO₃ in this fertilizer. The KOH(aq) was added slowly to the fertilizer and the mixture formed was heated gently. The animonia liberated from the reaction between NH4NO₃ and KOH was first cooled in a condenser, and then passed through an inverted funnel to a solution containing 0.0485 mol of HCl. The solution was finally made up to 100.00 cm³ and fabelled as 'S'.

(b) Suggest the potential hazard of one of the chemicals used.

(1 mark)

DSE13_04

(c) Solid sodium hydroxide is available in school laboratories. However, a standard NaOH(aq) CANNOT be directly prepared by weighing NaOH(s) and then dissolving it in water. Explain why.

(1 mark)

- (e) The following were considered as INAPPROPRIATE practices when carrying out the titration experiment. For each of them, explain why it would lead to inaccurate titration results:
 - (i) Rinsing the conical flask with the standard $H_2C_2O_4(aq)$ before transferring 25.00 cm³ of the acid solution to it.

(1 mark)

 (ii) Carrying out the titration with the filter funnel remained on top of the burette after using it to fill the burette with the NaOH(aq).

(1 mark)

DSE13_10

(a) An oxygen cylinder can be used to provided oxygen for the fuel cell. From the hazard warning labels shown below, circle the label that should be displayed on the oxygen cylinder.



(1 mark)

DSE14_05

Concentrated acids are common reagents found in laboratories.

(a) State a safety measure in handing concentrated acids in laboratories.

(1 mark)

DSE14 07 (modified)

(c) Suggest a possible reason why the concentration of the concentrated hydrochloric acid in the bottle obtained from volumetric analysis would be smaller than that actual value.

(1 mark)

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DSE15 03

- (b) A compound contains iron and oxygen only. In an experiment for determining the empirical formula of this compound, 2.31 g of the compound was heated with carbon monoxide. Upon complete reaction, carbon dioxide and 1.67 g of iron were formed.
 - (iii) As carbon monoxide is poisonous, suggest one necessary safety precaution in carrying out the experiment.

(1 mark)

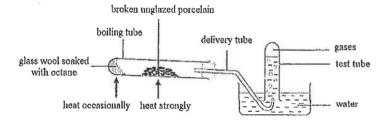
DSE15 04

- (d) A student diluted a sample of concentrated sulphuric acid for making a lead-acid accumulator.
 - (i) Describe how concentrated sulphuric acid can be diluted in a laboratory. State a safety precaution needed during the dilution process.

(3 marks)

DSE16_03

The diagram below shows an experimental set-up in which the glass wool soaked with octane is heated occasionally and the broken unglazed porcelain is heated strongly. Some gases are collected in the test tube over water.



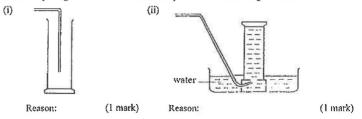
(d) When no more gas can be collected, what should be done to end the experiment for safety consideration? Explain your answer.

(2 marks)

DSE17_01

Barium (Ba) is an element in Group II of the Periodic Table. Its chemical properties are similar to those of calcium.

(b) A gas with a pungent smell is formed when $Ba(OH)_2(s)$ is heated with $NH_4Cl(s)$. State the reason why the gas CANNOT be collected by each of the following methods.



DSE17_06

Concentrated sulphuric acid is a reagent commonly found in laboratories.

(a) Circle TWO hazerd warning labels that should be displayed on a bottle of concentrated sulphuric acid:



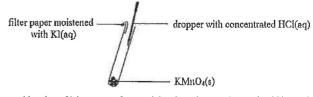
(1 mark)

(b) (i) Explain why concentrated sulphuric acid should NOT be titrated directly with NaOH(aq).

(1 mark)

DSE18 08

Refer to the experimental set-up as shown below:



(d) In consideration of laboratory safety, explain where the experiment should be performed.

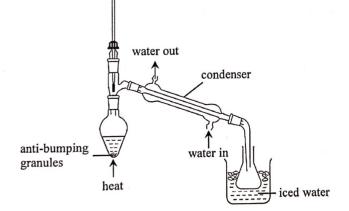
(1 mark)

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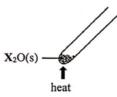
17. Refer to the following set-up :



Which of the following processes can be performed by using the above set-up ?

- obtaining pure water from sea water obtaining propane from diesel oil obtaining oxygen from liquefied air (1)
- (2)
- (3)
 - (1) only Α.
 - (2) only B.
 - (1) and (3) only (2) and (3) only C.
 - D.

The diagram below shows an experimental set-up in which a metal oxide $X_2O(s)$ is decomposed upon strong heating. A silvery metal X and a colourless gas Z are formed. 2.



State what Z is and suggest a test for it. (a)

6 (e)

(2 marks)





(1 mark)

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CE88_39	С	CE89_27	С	CE91_05	в	CE94_32	A
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Structural Qu	Jestions						
AL99(I)_08	a(ii)						
(I) Cover	the flask w	ill) wet towel	/ fire blanke	ŧ			I
OR,	use foar	n / carbon dio	xide / BCF	BTM type es	ktinguisher		
(II) Use po	owder tyupe	extinguisher	/ sand]
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Oxidizing /	explosive						[
AL03(I) 08	Ь						
(i) Na ₂ SC							[
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AL04(J)_07		H(aq) should r	ant ha means	vad zvatu – tle-	unthad as a		
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	yl orange is	not a suitable	indicator.				p,
	-			f a weak acid	with a strop	ng alkali, pH at tl	
end point is a						0 F w u	
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		be errors in th					[]
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the result of the trial titration, if necessary).

AL04(1)_08c The garbage bag was filled with a hydrogen-oxygen mixture because $O_2(g)$ and $H_2(g)$ diffused [1]

out of the balloons.	• •
The frictional force between balloons produces static electricity and hence sparks.	[1]
The electric spark cause the $H_2(g)$ and $O_2(g)$ mixture to explode.	[1]
(Accept other reasonable answers)	[1]
AL04(1)_08d	
(i) The high temperature of the piece of burning sodium may cause decomposition of CO2.	[1]
The sodium will continue to burn.	r.1
(ii) Covering the piece of burning Na with sand / use dry powder extinguisher to put out the	[1]
fire.	[*]
AL04(I)_07a	
(ii) Flanmable	[1]
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AL04(I)_07b	
(ii) KOH(aq) should not be used as SO2(g) reacts vigorously with KOH(aq). An empty	[1]
conical flask (as a trap) should be used instead. / It is not necessary to include the flask containing KOH(aq) in the set-up.	[1]
SO2(g) should not be collected over water as it is very soluble. Collect the SO2(g)	[1]
produced by download delivery / upward displacement of air / using a syringe.	
produced by download convery / dy while displacement of all / using a syringe.	[1]
AL05(1)_08	
The person did not wear laboratory coat. Should wear a laboratory coat.	[1]
The person did not have eye protection. Should weak safety spectacles / goggles.	[1]
Should not detect NH ₃ (g) by smelling while heating the reaction mixture. The mixture may	[1]
shoot his face. Should detect NH3(g) by the use of a piece of wet red litmus paper that can	E.1
change it from red to blue	
OR, by HCl(aq) that can form a white fumes with HCl(aq).	
OR, should smell NH3(g) after turning off the Bunsen burner.	
ål 06(1) 07h	

AL06(1)_07b

(i)	Toxic; corrosive	[1]
(ii)	Treat the spilt bromine with NaOH(aq),	[1]

AL06(I)_08b

- (i) Withot releasing the pressure, the liquid in the separating funnel with not drain out of the [1] funnel.
- (ii) The melting point determined wil be lowered than the expected value. [1]

AL07(I) 07

Safety spectacles	[1]
Eyes are the most delicate organs. Any harm on eyes cannot easily be recoved	[1]

AL08(I) 07b

(ii)	LiAlH4(s) reacts with water moisture in air to give H2(g).	[1]
	The reaction is highly exothermic. When H2(g) is mixed with air under this condition, an	[1]
	explosion may occur.	
	The reaction gives LiOH of high concentration. Presence of high [OH-] is corrosive.	[1]

AL08(II) 04

Release pressure in the separating funnel from time to time by inverting it and opening the tap. [1]

AL09(I) 07c

Dilution of conc. H₂SO₄ is highly exothermic process. The heat evolved can vaporize the water [1] and cause splashing out of the acid.

AL09(1) 07d

[1]

AL10(1) 07b

- (i) If the reactant(s) / solvent used in the experiment has a high boiling point (>130 °C), the [1] large temperature difference outside and inside the water jacket may cause cracking of the water condenser. [1]
- (ii) HBr and HI are reducing agents. They react with concentrated H₂SO₄ to give the [1] corresponding halogens. In such cases, the non-oxidizing and non-volatile acid HaPO4 [1] should be used.

Concentrated H2SO4 can only be used to prepare HCl and HF.

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(b)	(ii)	Toxic and flammable	
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DSE12 07

(b) The KOH is (very) corrosive. / NH4NO3 is explosive / NH4NO3 is flammable / HCl is [1] corrosive.

DSE13 04

(c) NaOH(aq) is deliquescent / hygroscopic / absorbs water from the atmosphere. [1] OR. NaOH(s) reacts with CO₂(g) in the atmosphere. . The mass of NaOH(s) cannot be accurately determined by weighing.

- (e) (i) Rinsing the conical flask with $H_2C_2O_4(aq)$: Some $H^+(aq)$ ions / acid / [1] H2C2O4(ag) remain in the flask, and more alkali (as revealed from the burctle reading) than actually required is used to reach the titration end-point. (Do not accept the concentration of H⁺(ad) increase.)
 - NaOH(ag) clinging onto the stem of funnel may fall into the burette. The [1] (ii) volume of alkali used (as revealed from the burette reading) is smaller than what is expected.

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[1]

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DSE14 05

(a)

(a)	Wearing protective gloves or plastic gloves or gown or safety googles or any suitable						[1]		
	PPE								
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- OR, Adding concentrated acids into water when diluting the concentrated acids
- OR. Use a fume cupboard.
- Not accepted: maintain a good ventilation.

DSE14 07 (modified)

(c) Some HCl escaped / vaporized from the concentrated acid as HCl(g) / Concentrated [1] hydrochloric acid is volatile.

DSE15 03

(b)	(iii)	Perform the experiment in a fume cupboard.	[1	1
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DSE15 04

(d)	(i)	Pour a small amount of the concentrated sulphuric acid to a large amount of	[2]
		water.	
		Accept answers like "add concentrated sulphuric acid to a large amount of water."	
		Constant stirring is required (if the amounts of water and acid are not mentioned)	[1]
		Wear goggle / face shield / safety spectacles / safety glasses	

DSE16 03

(d)	The delivery tube should be taken out of the water level before removing the heating	[1]
	source, otherwise sucking back will happen / the boiling tube will be cracked.	[1]

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(b)	(i)	The gas (ammonia) is less dense than air. [1]	
		(Should be answered in terms of density. Not accept: The gas is lighter than air.)	
	(ii)	The gas (ammonia) is soluble (in water). [1]	ŀ
		Accept: the gas will be absorbed by water / The gas will react with water.	
		(Not accept: The gas is slightly soluble in water.)	
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(a)	Oxid	izing and corrosive [1]	ł
(b)	(i)	The reaction between concentrated sulphuric acid and NaOH(aq) is highly [1]	
		exothermie.	
		OR, Concentrated NaOH / H2SO4 is corrosive.	
		OR, Avoid to fill the burette more than once.	

OR. Use less chemicals.

(Do not accept answer like "splashed out" without mentioning of "highly exothermic.")

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(d) The experiment should be performed in a fume cupboard as chlorine gas is toxic / toxic [1] gas is released,

(Do not accept well-ventilated benches, etc.)

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