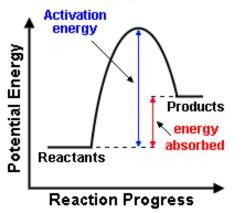
C5 Knowledge Organiser – Energetics



Endothermic reactions 1

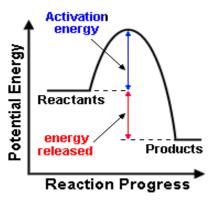
- Takes in energy from the surroundings
- Temperature of the surroundings decreases
- Examples:
- Thermal decomposition
- Citric acid + Sodium hydrogencarbonate
- Sports injury packs



Endothermic reaction

Exothermic reactions 2

- Transfers energy to the surroundings
- Temperature of the surroundings increases
- Examples:
- Combustion
- Oxidation reactions
- **Neutralisation reactions**
- Hand warmers



Exothermic reaction

Bond Enthalpy

436

464

498

+ 0=0 ---

H-H

Bond

H-H

H-O

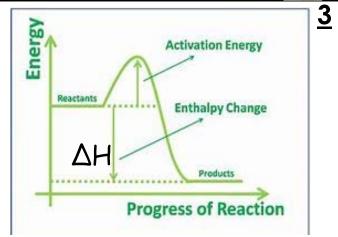
Reaction profiles

Activation energy –

The minimum amount of energy that particles require to react

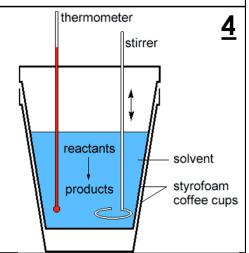
ΔH - Overall energy change

- + ΔH = Endothermic
- ΔH = Exothermic



Required practical

- Styrofoam cup reduces energy transfer
- Independent Reactants
- Dependent Temperature change
- Improvements add a lid to reduce energy loss
- Add a stirrer to ensure reactants fully mixed



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Bond enthalpy calculations (HT only) Example: Calculate the enthalpy change when water is

formed from H2 and O2.

STEP 1 Bonds Broken

$$2 \times (H-H) = 2 \times 436 = 872$$

$$1 \times (0=0) = 498$$

STEP 2 Bonds Made

$$4 \times (O-H) = 4 \times 464 = 1856$$

STEP 3

Enthalpy change = bonds broken - bonds made



