## **Module 1 – Development of practical skills - Personal Learning Checklist**

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Learning Objectives:			
Planning			
Design experiments to solve problems set in a practical context.			
Identify variables that must be controlled			
Evaluate experimental methods to ensure they are appropriate to meet the expected outcomes.			
Implementing			
Use a wide range of practical apparatus and techniques correctly			
Use appropriate units for measurements			
Present observations and data in an appropriate format			
Analysis			
Process, analyse and interpret qualitative and quantitative experimental results.			
Use appropriate significant figures			
Plot and interpret suitable graphs from experimental results, including;  - Selection and labelling of axes with appropriate scales, quantities and units.  - Measurement of gradients and intercepts.			
Evaluation			
Evaluate results and draw conclusions			
Identify anomalies in experimental measurements			
Understand the limitations in experimental procedures			
Understand precision and accuracy of measurements and data, including margins of error, percentage errors and uncertainties in apparatus.			
Refine experimental design by suggesting improvements to the procedures and apparatus.			
Independent Thinking			
Apply investigative approaches and methods to practical work.			
Use and Application of Scientific Methods and Practices			
Safely and correctly use a range of practical equipment and materials.			
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Follow written instructions.			
Keep appropriate records of experimental activities.			
Present information and data in a scientific way.			
Use appropriate software and tools to process data, carry out research and report findings.			

Research and Referencing		
Use online and offline research skills including websites, textbooks and other printed scientific sources of information.		
Correctly cite sources of information.		
Instruments and Equipment	•	
Use a wide range of experimental and practical instruments, equipment and techniques appropriate to the knowledge and understanding included in the specification.		
Use of Apparatus and Techniques	,	
Use appropriate apparatus to record a range of measurements to include mass, time, volume of liquids and gases and temperature.		
Use of a water bath, electric heater or sand bath for heating		
Measure pH using pH charts, a pH meter or pH probe on a data logger.		
Use laboratory apparatus for a variety of experimental techniques including;  - Titration, using burette and pipette  - Distillation and heating under reflux, including setting up glassware using retort stand and clamps  - Qualitative tests for ions and organic functional groups  - Filtration under reduced pressure		
Use of a volumetric flask, including accurate techniques for making up a standard solution.		
Use of acid-base indicators in titrations of weak/strong acids with weak/strong alkalis		
Purification of a  - Solid product by recrystallization  - Liquid product, including use of a separating funnel		
Use of melting point apparatus.		
Use of thin layer or paper chromatography.		
Set up electrochemical cells and measure voltage.		
Safety and carefully handle solids and liquids, including corrosive, irritant, flammable and toxic substances.		
Measure rates of reaction by at least two different methods, including  - An initial rate method such as a clock reaction  - A continuous monitoring method		

## **Module 2 - Foundations in Chemistry - Personal Learning Checklist**

Atomic Structure and Isotopes (Chapter 2)  Define the term isotope.  Describe atomic structure in terms of the numbers of protons, neutrons and electrons for atoms and ions, given the atomic number, mass number and any ionic charge.  Explain the terms relative isotopic mass and relative atomic mass, based on the mass of a <sup>12</sup> C atom.  Describe how to determine relative isotopic masses and relative abundances of the isotope using mass spectrometry.  Calculate the relative atomic mass of an element from the relative abundances of its isotopes.  Jose of the terms relative molecular mass, M., (for simple molecules) and relative formula mass (for giant structures) and calculate their values from relative atomic masses.  Write formulae of ionic compounds from ionic charges.  Predict ionic charge from the position of an element in the periodic table.  Recall the names and formulae for the following ions: NO <sub>2</sub> *, CO <sub>2</sub> *, SO <sub>4</sub> *, OH*, NH <sub>1</sub> *, Zn <sup>2</sup> *, and Ag*.  Construct balanced chemical equations (including ionic equations), including state symbols, for reactions studied and for unfamiliar reactions given appropriate information.  Amount of Substance (Chapter 3) -  Predict ionic charges from the position of an element on the periodic table.  Recall the names and formulae for the following ions: nitrate, carbonate, sulfate, hydroxide, ammonium, including and and use the following terms correctly:  • amount of substance equations (full and ionic), including state symbols for familiar reactions and for unfamiliar reactions when given information.  Understand and use the following terms correctly:  • amount of substance  • mole  • Avagadro constant  • mole mass  • molar gas volume  • empirical formula  • molecular formula  • molecular formula from data giving composition by mass or % by mass.  Calculate empirical formula from the empirical formula and Mr.		Con	fidence
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Carry out calculations using:	
the Avagadro constant	
<ul> <li>mass of substance, M<sub>r</sub> and amount in moles</li> </ul>	
concentration, volume and amount of substance in a solution	
Use balanced equations to calculate:	
masses	
volumes of gases	
% yields	
% atom economy	
concentrations and volumes of solutions	
State the ideal gas equation.	
State the correct SI unit for each variable in the ideal gas equation.	
Convert values into the correct unit for the ideal gas equation.	
Rearrange the ideal gas equation and use it to calculate $p$ , $V$ , $n$ and $T$ .	
Describe how to make up a volumetric solution.	
Describe how to carry out an acid-base titration.	
Discuss the benefits for sustainability of developing chemical processes with a high atom economy.	
Acids (Chapter 4) -	
Recall the names and formulae of the following common acids: HCI, H2SO4, HNO3 and CH3COOH.	
Recall the names and formulae of the following common alkalis: NaOH, KOH and NH <sub>3</sub> .	
Explain that acids release H⁺ions in aqueous solution.	
Explain that alkalis release OH <sup>-</sup> ions in aqueous solution.	
Explain the difference between strong and weak acids in terms of relative dissociations.	
Describe neutralisation as the reaction of H <sup>+</sup> and OH <sup>-</sup> to form H <sub>2</sub> O, including an ionic equation.	
Describe neutralisation reactions of acids with bases, including carbonates, metal oxides and alkalis (water-soluble bases), to form salts, including full equations.	
Describe the techniques and procedures used to prepare a standard solution of required concentration.	
Describe the techniques and procedures used to carry out acid–base titrations.	
Carry out structured and non-structured titration calculations, based on experimental results of familiar and non-familiar acids and bases.	
State and apply the rules for assigning and calculating oxidation number for atoms in elements, compounds and ions (including O in peroxides and H in metal hydrides).	
Write chemical formulae using oxidation numbers.	
Use Roman numerals to indicate the magnitude of the oxidation number when an element has compounds/ions with different oxidation numbers.	
Describe oxidation and reduction in terms of electron transfer.	
Describe oxidation and reduction in terms of changes in oxidation number.	
Describe redox reactions of metals with acids to form salts, including full equations.	
Interpret redox equations and unfamiliar redox reactions, to make predictions in terms of oxidation numbers and electron loss/gain.	

Electrons, Bonding and Structure (Chapter 5) -		
Electronic Configuration -		
State the number of electrons that can fill the first four shells.		
Define the term orbital.		
State the shape of s- and p-orbitals.		
State the number of orbitals that make up s-, p- and d-sub-shells and the number of electrons that they can hold.		
Describe how the orbitals fill.		
Deduce the electron configurations for atoms and ions up to atomic number $Z = 36$ and represent them using the 'electrons in box' and sub-shell notations.		
Ionic Bonding -		
Describe what ionic bonding is.		
Draw 'dot-and-cross' diagrams for ionic compounds.		
Explain the solid structures of giant ionic lattices, e.g. NaCl.		
Use knowledge of structure and bonding to explain the physical properties of ionic compounds, including:  • melting and boiling points;  • solubility;  • electrical conductivity in solid, liquid and aqueous states.		
Covalent Bonding -	•	
Describe what a covalent bond is.		
Draw 'dot-and-cross' diagrams of molecules and ions to show single, multiple and dative (coordinate) covalent bonding (up to six electron pairs, including lone pairs, surrounding a central atom).		
Relate average bond enthalpy to covalent bond strength.		

Shapes of Molecules and Intermolecular Forces		
Shapes of Simple Molecules and lons -		
Use electron pair repulsion to explain the following shapes of molecules and ions: linear, non-linear, trigonal planar, pyramidal, tetrahedral and octahedral.		
Use electron pair repulsion theory to predict the shapes of, and bond angles in, molecules and ions with up to six electron pairs, including lone pairs, surrounding a central atom.		
Draw 3-D diagrams to show the shapes of molecules and ions.		
Describe the relative repulsive strengths of bonded pairs and lone pairs of electrons.		
Explain how the relative repulsive strengths affect the bond angles in molecules, e.g. $CH_4$ , $NH_3$ and $H_2O$ .		
Electronegativity and Bond Polarity -		
Define the term <i>electronegativity</i> .		
Interpret Pauling electronegativity values.		
Describe the trends in electronegativity across the periodic table.		
Use electronegativity to predict chemical bond type.		
Describe what polar bonds and permanent dipoles are and explain why they are formed.		
Explain why some molecules that contain polar bonds have a permanent dipole (e.g. $H_2O$ ) but others do not (e.g. $CO_2$ ).		
Predict whether a molecule will be polar or non-polar		
Intermolecular Forces -		
Describe how permanent dipole-dipole interactions, induced dipole-dipole interactions and hydrogen bonds form (including the role of lone pairs in H-bonding).		
Draw diagrams to represent the hydrogen bonding between molecules.		
Deduce the type of intermolecular forces that would occur between given molecules.		
Explain the anomalous properties of $H_2O$ , e.g. the density of ice compared with water and its relatively high melting and boiling points.		
Explain how intermolecular forces influence the solid structures of simple molecular lattices, e.g. I <sub>2</sub> , ice.		
Use knowledge of structure, bonding and intermolecular forces to explain the physical properties of covalent compounds with simple molecular lattice structures, including:  • melting and boiling points;  • solubility;  • electrical conductivity.		

## **Module 3 – Periodic Table and Energy - Personal Learning Checklist**

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Learning Objectives:			
Periodicity (Chapter 7) -			
The structure of the periodic table -			
Describe the periodic table as the arrangements of elements by increasing atomic number.			
Describe the periodic table as the arrangement of elements in periods showing repeating trends in physical and chemical properties (periodicity).			
Describe the periodic table as the arrangement of elements in groups having similar chemical properties.			
Periodic trends in electron configuration and ionisation energy -			
Explain the periodic trend in electron configurations across Periods 2 and 3.			
Classify elements into s-, p- and d-blocks.			
Define first ionisation energy.			
Describe first ionisation energy and successive ionisation energies.			
Describe the trend in first ionisation energies across periods 2 and 3.			
Explain the trend in first ionisation energies across periods 2 and 3, in terms of attraction, nuclear charge and atomic radius.			
Describe the trend in first ionisation energies down a group.			
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Explain the anomalies (small decreases) in first ionisation energies from group 2 to group 3 as a result of s- and p-sub-shell energies (e.g. between Be and B).			
Explain the anomalies (small decreases) in first ionisation energies from group 5 to group 6 as a result of p-orbital repulsion (e.g. between N and O).			
Predict the number of electrons in each shell of an atom and the group of an element from successive ionisation energies.			
Periodic trends in structure and melting point -			
Explain metallic bonding as strong electrostatic attraction between cations (positive ions) and delocalised electrons.			
Explain a giant metallic lattice structure (e.g. all metals).			
Explain solid giant covalent lattices of carbon (diamond, graphite and graphene) and silicon as networks of atoms bonded by strong covalent bonds.			
Describe the physical properties of giant metallic lattices, including melting and boiling points, solubility and electrical conductivity in terms of structure and bonding.			
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Explain the variation in melting points across Periods 2 and 3 in terms of structure and bonding.			

Reactivity Trends (Chapter 8) -	
Group 2 -	
Describe what happens to Group 2 atoms during redox reactions, in terms of electrons.	
Describe the relative reactivities of the Group 2 elements from Mg to Ba, based on their redox reactions with oxygen, water and dilute acids. (Reaction with acid limited to those that produce a salt and hydrogen.)	
Describe the trend in reactivity down Group 2 in terms of the first and second ionisation energies. (Definition for second ionisation NOT required, but should be able to write an equation for the change.)	
Describe the action of water on Group 2 oxides and the approximate pH of resulting solutions.	
Describe the trend in alkalinity of Group 2 oxides.	
<ul> <li>Describe some uses of Group 2 compounds as bases, including (but not limited to):</li> <li>Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> in agriculture to neutralise acid soils</li> <li>Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> and CaCO<sub>3</sub> as 'antacids' in treating indigestion.</li> </ul>	
The Halogens -	
Describe halogens a diatomic molecules.	
Explain the trend in boiling points down Group 7 in terms of intermolecular forces.	
Describe what happens to Halogen atoms during redox reactions, in terms of electrons.	
Describe and explain the trend in reactivity of the halogens in terms of:  attraction  atomic radius  electron shielding.	
<ul> <li>Explain the term disproporionation as illustrated by:</li> <li>the reaction of chlorine with water as used in water treatment</li> <li>the reaction of chlorine with cold, dilute aqueous sodium hydroxide, as used to form bleach</li> <li>similar reactions to those above.</li> </ul>	
Compare the benefits of using chlorine in water treatment to the risks.	
Describe and write equations for the precipitation reactions of aqueous halide ions with aqueous silver ions, followed by ammonia, and the use of this as a test for halide ions.	
Qualitative Analysis -	
Describe the processes and techniques needed to identify the following ions in unknown compounds:  • CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> • SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> • Cl <sup>-</sup> , Br, l <sup>-</sup> • NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	

Enthalpy Changes (Chapter 9) -		
Explain the enthalpy changes associated with endothermic and exothermic reactions in terms of bond breaking and making.		
Construct enthalpy profile diagrams to show the difference in the enthalpy of reactants compared to products.		
Explain the term activation energy, including use of enthalpy profile diagram.		
Explain and use the terms:		
standard conditions and standard states		
<ul> <li>enthalpy change of reaction (Δ<sub>r</sub>H)</li> </ul>		
• enthalpy change of formation ( $\Delta_f H$ )		
• enthalpy change of combustion ( $\Delta_c H$ )		
<ul> <li>enthalpy change of neutralisation (Δ<sub>neut</sub>H)</li> </ul>		
average bond enthalpy		
Determine the enthalpy changes directly from experimental results, including the use of $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{mc}\Delta \mathbf{T}$ .		
Calculate enthalpy changes and related quantities from average bond enthalpies.		
Use Hess' Law to construct enthalpy cycles and calculate the following indirectly:		
an enthalpy change of reaction from enthalpy changes of combustion		
an enthalpy change of reaction from enthalpy changes of formation		
enthalpy changes from unfamiliar enthalpy cycles.		
Describe the techniques and procedures used to determine enthalpy changes directly and indirectly.		
Reaction Rates and Equilibrium (Chapter 10) -		
Reaction Rates -		
Describe the effect of concentration, including pressure of gases, on the rate of a reaction in terms of frequency of collisions.		
Calculate the rate of reaction from the gradient of a graph.		
Explain the role of a catalyst in:  • increasing reaction rate without being used up by the overall reaction		
in allowing a reaction to proceed via a different route.		
Explain the terms:  • homogeneous catalyst		
heterogeneous catalyst.		
Explain the economic importance of catalysts and benefits for sustainability.		
Describe the techniques and procedures used to investigate reaction rates including the measurement of mass, gas volumes and time.		
Explain the Boltzmann distribution and its relationship with activation energy.		
Use Boltzmann distributions to explain the qualitative effect on the proportion of molecuels exceeding the activation energy and hence the reaction rate for:  • temperature changes		
catalytic behaviour.		

Equilibrium -	
Explain what <i>dynamic equilibrium</i> is.	
Apply le Chatelier's principle in homogeneous equilibria to deduce the effect of change in:  • temperature	
<ul> <li>pressure</li> <li>concentration</li> <li>on the position of equilibrium.</li> </ul>	
Explain why a catalyst does not affect the equilibrium position.	
Describe the techniques and procedures used to investigate changes to the position of equilibrium for changes in concentration and temperature.	
Explain why it is important for the chemical industry to consider a compromise between chemical equilibrium and reaction rate in deciding the operational conditions.	
Give expressions for the equilibrium constant, $K_c$ , for homogeneous reactions.	
Calculate the equilibrium constant, $K_c$ , from provided equilibrium concentrations. (Do not need to determine units for $K_c$ .)	
Estimate the position of equilibrium from the magnitude of $K_c$ (qualitative only).	

## **Module 4 – Core Organic Chemistry - Personal Learning Checklist**

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Learning Objectives:				
Basic Concepts of Organic Chemistry (Chapter 11) -			·	
Use IUPAC rules of nomenclature to systematically name organic molecules with up to 10 carbon atoms in the longest chain.				
Interpret and use the terms:  • general formula  • structural formula  • displayed formula  • skeletal formula  • homologous series (including definition)  • functional group  • alkyl group  • aliphatic  • alicyclic  • aromatic  • saturated  • unsaturated  • use of R to represent alkyl groups or fragments of organic compounds not involved in a reaction.				
Predict the formula of a molecule using the general formula of the homologous series.				
Define the term structural isomer.				
Predict possible structural isomers of an organic molecule from its molecular formula.				
Describe the two types of covalent bond fission:  • homolytic fission  • heterolytic fission				
Describe what a <i>radical</i> is and represent radicals with 'dots' in mechanisms.				
Describe what a 'curly arrow' shows.				
Describe what a <i>reaction mechanism</i> is and use reaction mechanisms to explain what happens in organic reactions, including correct use of curly arrows and dipoles.				

Alkanes (Chapter 12) -		
Describe and explain:		
what alkanes are		
<ul> <li>the bonding in alkanes in terms of orbital overlap</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>the shape and bond angles around each carbon atom.</li> </ul>		
Explain how boiling points vary with carbon-chain length and branching, in terms of induced dipole-dipole interactions.		
Explain the low reactivity of alkanes.		
Compare and write equations for complete and incomplete combustion of alkanes.		
Explain the potential dangers from CO.		
Reaction of alkanes with chlorine:		
name the mechanism		
state what is needed for this reaction to take place		
state the type of fission involved		
name the three stages of the mechanism		
<ul> <li>use a series of equations to represent the reaction mechanism, using a single</li> </ul>		
'dot' to represent the unpaired electron.		
Explain why radical substitution is of limited use in organic synthesis.		
Alkenes (Chapter 13) -		
Describe and explain:		
what alkenes are		
the bonding in alkenes in terms of orbital overlap		
<ul> <li>the shape and bond angles around each carbon atom in the C=C.</li> </ul>		
Explain the terms:		
• stereoisomer		
E/Z isomerism		
• cis-trans isomerism		
electrophile		
Identify molecules that will have E/Z or cis-trans stereoisomers from their structural formulae.		
Use Cahn-Ingold-Prelog (CIP) priority rules to identify E and Z stereoisomers.		
Explain the reactivity of alkenes.		

<ul> <li>State what an addition reaction is and describe the reactions of alkenes with:</li> <li>hydrogen in the presence of a suitable catalyst, e.g. Ni</li> <li>halogens</li> <li>hydrogen halides</li> <li>steam in the presence of an acid catalyst, e.g. H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>.</li> </ul>		
State the type of fission that takes place during electrophilic addition.		
Draw the mechanism for electrophilic addition reactions		
Use Markownikoff's rule to predict the major and minor organic products in addition reactions and explain these products in terms of the relative carbocation stability.		
Addition polymerisation:      describe the reaction     draw the repeat unit of an addition polymer from a given monomer     identify the monomer from a section of polymer.		
Describe the benefit for sustainability of processing waste polymers by:              combustion for energy production             use as an organic feedstock             removal of toxic waste products e.g. HCl		
Discuss the benefits to the environment of the development of biodegradable and photodegradable polymers.		
Alcohols (Chapter 14) -		
Explain the solubility and relatively low volatility of alcohols compared with alkanes.		
Classify alcohols as primary, secondary or tertiary.		
<ul> <li>Describe and write equations for the following reactions of alcohols:</li> <li>combustion</li> <li>oxidation by an oxidising agent, e.g. Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2</sup>-/H<sup>+</sup> (i.e. K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)</li> <li>elimination of H<sub>2</sub>O by heating with an acid catalyst (H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> or H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)</li> <li>substitution with halide ions in the presence of acid (e.g. NaBr/ H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)</li> </ul>		
Explain how to control the oxidation products from primary alcohols using different reaction conditions.		
Compare the oxidation/resistance to oxidation of primary, secondary and tertiary alcohols.		

Haloalkanes (Chapter 15) -	
Describe how haloalkanes are hydrolysed in a substitution reaction by:  • aqueous alkali  • water in the presence of AgNO <sub>3</sub> and ethanol	
Describe how the rate of hydrolysis of different carbon-halogen bonds can be determined experimentally using the reaction with water in the presence of AgNO <sub>3</sub> and ethanol.	
Explain the trend in rates of hydrolysis in terms of bond enthalpies of the carbon-halogen bonds (C-F, C-Cl, C-Br and C-I).	
Define the term <i>nucleophile</i> .	
Draw the mechanism for the nucleophilic substitution of primary haloalkanes with aqueous alkali.	
Explain why the use of organohalogen compounds is an environmental concern in terms of:  • production of halogen radicals from CFCs in the upper atmosphere  • catalysed breakdown of ozone by CI• and other radicals e.g. •NO.	
Organic Synthesis (Chapter 16) -	
<ul> <li>Describe the techniques and procedures used to purify organic liquids, including:</li> <li>use of a separating funnel to remove an organic layer from an aqueous layer</li> <li>drying with an anhydrous salt (e.g. MgSO<sub>4</sub>, CaCl<sub>2</sub>)</li> <li>redistillation.</li> </ul>	
Identify individual functional groups in molecules containing several functional groups.	
Predict the properties and reactions of molecules containing several functional groups.	
Devise two-stage synthetic routes for preparing an organic compound. These could involve transformations between all the functional groups studied, plus use of additional information provided.	

Analytical Techniques (Chapter 17) -	
Describe the effect of infrared (IR) radiation on covalent bonds, e.g. the gases containing C=O, O-H and C-H bonds in the atmosphere (CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O and CH <sub>4</sub> ), and the suspected link to global warming.	
<ul> <li>Use IR spectra to identify:</li> <li>an alcohol from an absorption peak of the O=H bond</li> <li>an aldehyde or ketone from an absorption peak of the C=O bond</li> <li>a carboxylic acid from an absorption peak of the C=O bond and a broad an absorption peak of the O-H bond.</li> </ul>	
Interpret or predict IR spectra of familiar and unfamiliar substances.	
Describe how IR spectroscopy can be used to monitor gases causing air pollution (e.g. CO and NO from car emissions) and in modern breathalysers to measure ethanol in the breath.	
Identify the molecular ion peak from a mass spectrum and use it to determine molecular mass.	
Appreciate that mass spectra may contain a small M+1 peak due to the small proportion of carbon-13.	
Analyse fragmentation peaks in mass spectra and use them to identify parts of a structure.	
Deduce the structure of organic compounds using analytical data including:  elemental analysis (use to calculate empirical and molecular formulae)  mass spectra  IR spectra.	