

| Question | Marking guidance | Mark | AO | Comments |
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| 03.1 | $\text{C(s)} + 2\text{F}_2(\text{g}) \longrightarrow \text{CF}_4(\text{g})$ | 1 | AO1a | State symbols essential |
| 03.2 | Around carbon there are 4 bonding pairs of electrons (and no lone pairs) | 1 | AO1a | |
| | Therefore, these repel equally and spread as far apart as possible | 1 | AO1a | |
| 03.3 | $\Delta H = \sum \Delta_f H \text{ products} - \sum \Delta_f H \text{ reactants}$ or a correct cycle | 1 | AO1b | Score 1 mark only for +85 (kJ mol ⁻¹) |
| | Hence = $(2 \times -680) + (6 \times -269) - (x) = -2889$ | 1 | AO1b | |
| | $x = 2889 - 1360 - 1614 = -85 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ | 1 | AO1b | |
| 03.4 | Bonds broken = $4(\text{C-H}) + 4(\text{F-F}) = 4 \times 412 + 4 \times \text{F-F}$ | 1 | AO3 1a | Both required |
| | Bonds formed = $4(\text{C-F}) + 4(\text{H-F}) = 4 \times 484 + 4 \times 562$ | | | |
| | $-1904 = [4 \times 412 + 4(\text{F-F})] - [4 \times 484 + 4 \times 562]$ | 1 | AO3 1a | Relevant comment comparing to other bonds (Low activation energy needed to break the F-F bond) |
| | $4(\text{F-F}) = -1904 - 4 \times 412 + [4 \times 484 + 4 \times 562] = 632$ | 1 | AO3 1a | |
| | $\text{F-F} = 632 / 4 = 158 \text{ (kJ mol}^{-1}\text{)}$ | 1 | AO3 1b | |
| | The student is correct because the F-F bond energy is much less than the C-H or other covalent bonds, therefore the F-F bond is weak / easily broken | | | |