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Formative Test - Materials

1. Consider the polymer below:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} CN & CN & CN \\ | & | & | \\ -CH-CH_2-CH-CH_2-CH-CH_2- \end{array}$$

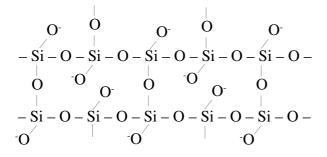
- (a) Draw brackets around the repeating unit of the polymer. /1
- (b) Name the class to which the polymer belongs based on the reaction used in its formation.
- (c) Draw the structural formula of the monomer used to form the polymer.

2. Consider the monomers below:

- (a) Draw the structural formula of the polymer they would form.
- (b) State whether the polymer is a polyester or a polyamide. /1
- 3. Compare the physical and structural properties of thermoplastic and thermoset polymers. /3

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- (a) Deduce the formula of the aluminosilicate ion in the mineral kaolinite, Al₂Si₂O₅(OH)₄. /2
- (b) Identify the repeating unit of the silicate below.



- (c) State the molecular formula of the silicate ion in (b).
- (d) Deduce the formula of a mineral containing the silicate in (c) and the cations Mg and K in 1:1 ratio.
- 5. Explain how cations in soil are made available to plants over time. /3
- 6. Explain whether you would use octane or water to scrub out a stain consisting mostly of benzene. /2
- 7. With a structural formula equation briefly describe the process of saponification.
- 8. Sodium palmitate (CH₃(CH₂)₁₄COONa) is a soap, but palmitic acid (CH₃(CH₂)₁₄COOH) is not. Explain. /3

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- (a) State two advantages of adding tripolyphosphate ions to detergent formulations. /2
- (b) State one disadvantage of the same. /1
- (c) Draw the structural formula for the linear tripolyphosphate ion.
- 10. With the aid of at least one equation, explain how hydrogen peroxide is able to remove stains.