

# Chemistry A Level

## Course Content

In Year 12 the course includes the following topics of study and practical experiments related to:

Inorganic chemistry topics:

Periodicity, the alkaline earth metals, organic chemistry, physical chemistry topics and a variety of relevant practical skills

Physical chemistry topics:

Atomic structure, amount of substance, bonding, energetics, kinetics, oxidation, reduction and redox equations

These then develop in Year 13 into studying the following topics with their related practical experiments:

Thermodynamics, rate equations, acids and bases, transition metals, alkanes, optical isomerism, aldehydes and ketones and aromatic chemistry

### Assessment

#### Paper 1

2 hour written exam on Physical and Inorganic Chemistry plus practical skills 105 marks (35% of total A Level)

#### Paper 2

2 hour written exam on Physical and Inorganic Chemistry plus practical skills 105 marks (35% of total A Level)

#### Paper 3

2 hour written exam Any content from the specification and practical skills 90 marks (30% of total A Level)

# Career Opportunities

Chemistry is essential for careers including: dentistry, medicine, veterinary science.

Other careers include: dietetics, environment and health, environmental science and engineering, food science, forensic science, pharmacy, pharmacology.

## Entry Requirements

Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry Or Grade 6- 6 in Trilogy Science

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Preferably Grade 6 (but Grade 5 may be considered) in Maths on higher paper