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SECTION "A"

[20Q. × 1 = 20 marks]

Choose the most appropriate answer and mark [X].

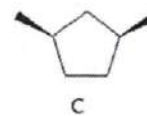
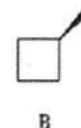
1. Which of the following compound(s) is/are chiral?

Only A and B

Only B

Only B and C

Only A



2. Which of the following statements is true about the stereochemistry of an SN2 reaction?

It proceeds with retention of configuration.

It proceeds with racemization.

It proceeds with inversion of configuration.

It has no effect on stereochemistry.

3. What is the effect of doubling the concentration of the base in an E2 reaction?

The rate of the reaction remains the same.

The rate of the reaction doubles.

The rate of the reaction quadruples.

The rate of the reaction halves

4. Which of the following is a correct example of a propagation step in the free radical halogenation of methane?

$\text{Cl}\cdot + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\cdot + \text{HCl}$

$\text{Cl}\cdot + \text{Cl}\cdot \rightarrow \text{Cl}_2$

$\text{CH}_4 + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{Cl} + \text{HCl}$

$\text{CH}_3\cdot + \text{CH}_3\cdot \rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_6$

5. What is the directing effect of the -OH group in electrophilic aromatic substitution?

Meta-directing

Ortho/para-directing

Deactivating

Non-directing

6. The alkaloid quinine is optically active. An ethanol solution of 16g quinine in 50 mL displays a rotation of -13.6° in a 1dm polarimeter tube. What is the specific rotation of quinine?

-85°

-170°

-43°

-26°

7. In the Cahn-Ingold-Prelog (CIP) system, what is the priority order for the following groups attached to a chiral center?

$-\text{OH} > -\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3 > -\text{CH}_3 > -\text{H}$

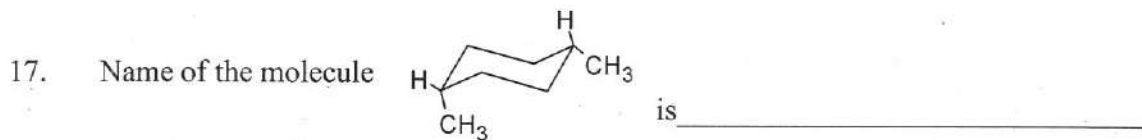
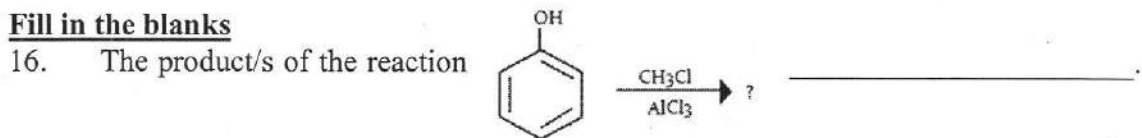
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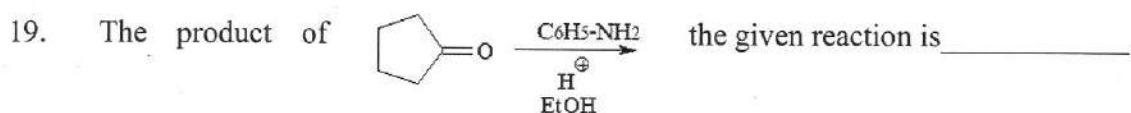
$-\text{CH}_3 > -\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3 > -\text{OH} > -\text{H}$

8. Which of the following statements about cyclohexane is true?
 It is a planar molecule It has sp hybridized carbon atoms
 It undergoes ring flipping It is aromatic
9. Which of the following substituents increases the reactivity of benzene towards nucleophilic substitution?
 -OH -CH₃ -NO₂ -NH₂
10. Which of the following reactions are favoured by polar aprotic solvent?
 SN₁ reactions SN₂ reactions
 Both SN₁ and SN₁ reactions None of the mentioned
11. How many monochlorination products are possible in the reaction of 2,2-dimethylbutane with chlorine in the presence of light?
 2 3 4 5
12. CF₃CH₂-OH is _____ solvent.
 polar protic polar aprotic non-polar nonpolar protic
13. Which of the following terms best describes the the reactive nature of a Grignard reagent.
 carbocation free radical electrophile nucleophile
14. _____ is two step reaction in which the major product is alkene
 SN₁ SN₂ E₁ E₂
15. Identify the incorrect statement regarding Benzene
 It has sp³ hybridized carbons
 It is aromatic Compound
 It undergoes electrophilic substitution reactions
 It undergoes nucleophilic substitution reactions

Fill in the blanks



18. The potential energy difference between half-chair and boat conformers is _____.



20. Dehydrohalogenation of 2-chloro-2 methyl hexane give major product _____.

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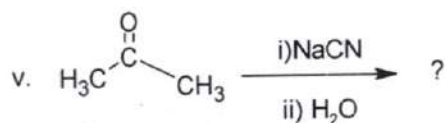
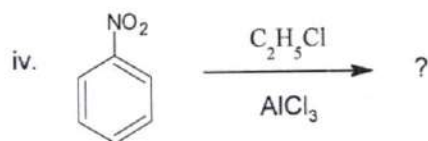
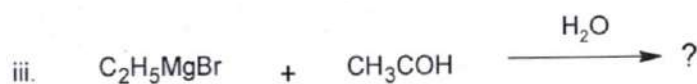
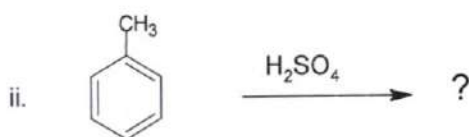
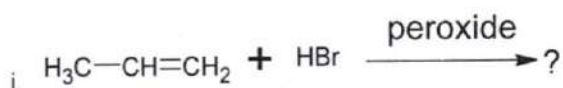
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SECTION "B"

Attempt ALL the questions.

1. Write the mechanism for the following reactions.

[5×3=15]



2. Explain with appropriate reasons.

[6×3=18]

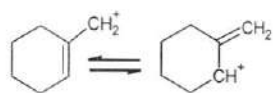
- $-\text{NO}_2$ is the deactivating and meta directing group during electrophilic aromatic substitution reaction.
- Tertiary carbocation is more stable than primary carbocation.
- The order of reactivity of haloalkanes for E1 reaction is Tertiary > Secondary > Primary
- Axial methylcyclohexane is less stable than the equatorial methylcyclohexane
- Ortho-deuteriofluorobenzene is converted into aniline only very slowly but loses its deuterium rapidly to yield fluorobenzene.
- $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ reaction the order of reactivity of haloalkanes is Methyl > primary > secondary > tertiary.

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3. Write notes on. [4×2.5=10]
- Conformations of cycloalkane.
 - Resolution of racemic modification
 - Enantiomer
 - Mesocompounds

4. Explain the followings with appropriate examples. [3×2=6]
- Aromatic character
 - Hyperconjugation
 - Conformations of n-Butane

5. [2×3=6]
- Which of the following ions is more stable? Explain your answer.



- Explain with mechanism that Hydroboration-oxidation reaction follows the anti – Markovnikov orientation.