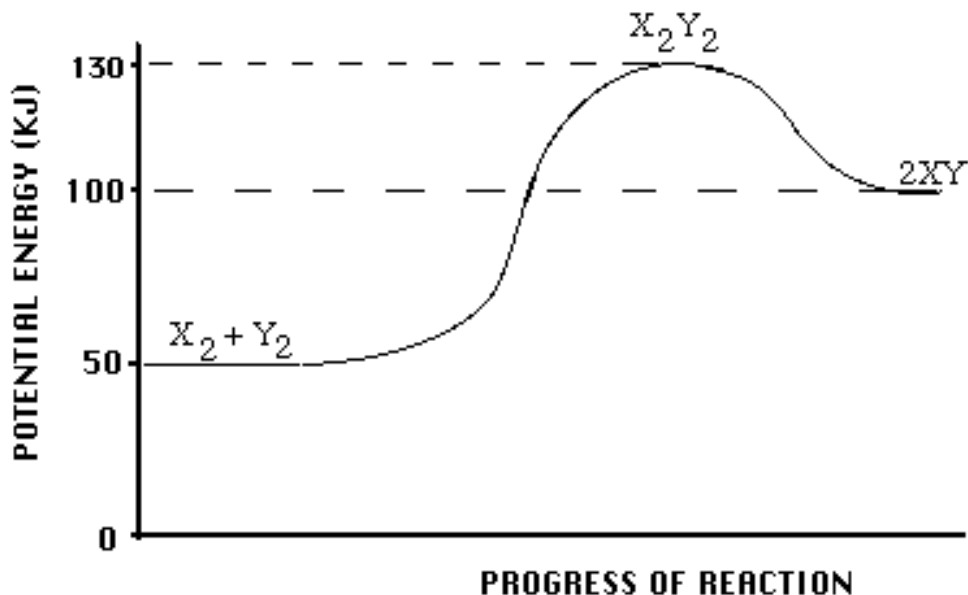


Chemistry 12 Worksheet 1-2 - Potential Energy Diagrams

USE THE POTENTIAL ENERGY DIAGRAM TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW:



1. Is the overall reaction as shown **exothermic** or **endothermic**?

2. What is the **activation energy** for the forward reaction?

3. What is the **activation energy** for the reverse reaction?

4. What is the **enthalpy change of reaction** (ΔH) for the *forward* reaction?

5. What is the ΔH for the *reverse* reaction?

6. Is the *reverse* reaction **exothermic** or **endothermic**? _____
7. Which species forms the **activated complex**? _____
8. Which species or set of species has the **highest potential energy**?

9. Which species or set of species has the *highest kinetic energy*?

10. Which species or set of species has the *weakest bonds*?

11. Which species or set of species has the *strongest bonds*?

12. What is \mathbf{H} for the reaction: $\mathbf{X_2Y_2} \rightarrow \mathbf{X_2} + \mathbf{Y_2}$?

13. Which do you think would be *faster*, the **forward** reaction or the **reverse** reaction?

_____ Explain. _____

14. Which species or set of species has the *lowest kinetic energy*?

15. Show the $\Delta\mathbf{H}$, the Activation Energy for the *forward* reaction and the Activation Energy for the *reverse* reaction on the graph above.

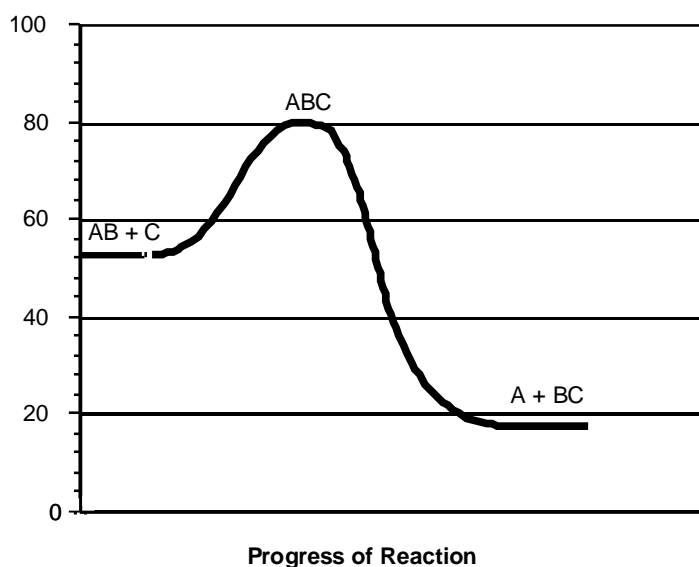
16. As reactant particles approach each other before a collision, the *Potential* Energy goes _____, while the *Kinetic* Energy goes _____.

17. As particles of newly formed products move away from one another, the *Potential* Energy goes _____, while the *Kinetic* Energy goes _____

18. As *reactant* molecules approach each other, they exert _____ forces on each other. Thus, as they move together, their speed _____ and their *Potential Energy* _____

19. State the meaning of *Activated Complex*. _____

20. Use the following **Potential Energy Diagram** to answer the questions below:



- a) Determine the **Activation Energy** for the *forward* reaction... _____ kJ
- b) Determine the **Activation Energy** for the *reverse* reaction.... _____ kJ
- c) What is the **Enthalpy Change** (ΔH) for the *forward* reaction?.. _____ kJ
- d) What is the **Enthalpy Change** (ΔH) for the *reverse* reaction?.. _____ kJ
- e) The *forward* reaction is _____ thermic.
- f) The *reverse* reaction is _____ thermic.
- g) Which species or set of species forms the **Activated Complex**? _____
- h) Which bond is *stronger*, A--B or B--C?_____. Give a reason for your answer. _____

- i) Particles from which species or set of species is moving the *fastest*? _____
State how you arrived at your answer. _____

j) Particles from which species or set of species is moving *most slowly*? _____

State how you arrived at your answer. _____

k) The compound "AB" is a gas and the element "C" is a solid. What effect would grinding "C" into a fine powder have on the graph shown here? _____

21. State the meaning of **Activation Energy**. _____

22. What two requirements must be met before a collision between two reactant particles is **effective**?

1. _____

2. _____

23. Describe what happens to two reactant particles which collide with *less* energy than the **Activation Energy**.

24. Burning coal (Carbon) is a highly *exothermic* reaction. However coal, in contact with air at room temperature has such a *slow* reaction that it is not noticeable. Explain these two facts with the help of a Potential Energy Diagram.

