Chemguide - questions

ALDEHYDES AND KETONES: ADDITION-ELIMINATION (CONDENSATION) REACTIONS

1. Brady's reagent is a solution of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine in a mixture of methanol and sulphuric acid.

a) How is Brady's reagent used to test for an aldehyde or ketone?

b) Describe briefly how you could use this reaction to help to identify a particular aldehyde or ketone.

2. a) Hydrazine has the formula N_2H_4 . Draw its structure.

b) Phenylhydrazine has a phenyl group attached to the hydrazine. Draw its structure, using the symbol for the benzene ring.

- c) Draw the structure for 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine.
- d) Draw the structure for the product of the reaction of 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine with
 - (i) ethanal,
 - (ii) propanone,
 - (iii) propanal.
- e) Name the products of the reactions in part (d).
- f) What other product do you get in each of these reactions?
- 3. a) Draw the structure of hydroxylamine.
 - b) Draw the structure of the organic product of the reaction between hydroxylamine and propanone.