Chemguide - questions

VARIOUS ENTHALPY CHANGE DEFINITIONS

- 1. This question is about the word "standard" as in *standard conditions* and *standard states*.
 - a) What do you understand by standard conditions as applied to:
 - (i) temperature;
 - (ii) pressure;
 - (iii) concentrations of solutions?
 - b) What are the standard states for the following substances?
 - (i) oxygen
 (ii) hydrogen
 (iii) H₂O
 (iv) CO₂
 (v) carbon
 (vi) NaCl
 (vii) sodium
 (viii) CH₄
 (ix) bromine
 (x) ammonia
- 2. a) Define the term *enthalpy change*.

b) Define the term *standard enthalpy change of reaction*, using the following equation as an illustration:

 $2C_2H_{6(g)} + 7O_{2(g)} \longrightarrow 4CO_{2(g)} + 6H_2O_{(I)} \Delta H = -3120 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

c) This reaction shows the combustion of ethane, but the standard enthalpy change of combustion of ethane is *not* -3120 kJ mol⁻¹. Define the term *standard enthalpy change of combustion*, and explain why the standard enthalpy change of combustion of ethane isn't -3120 kJ mol⁻¹.

3. a) Define the term *standard enthalpy change of formation*.

b) Write equations for the reactions for the enthalpy changes of formation for the following compounds. State symbols are *essential*.

 $\begin{array}{l} (i) \ H_2O_{(l)} \\ (ii) \ C_3H_{8(g)} \\ (iii) \ NaCl_{(s)} \\ (iv) \ C_2H_5OH_{(l)} \\ (v) \ NH_4Cl_{(s)} \\ (vi) \ Na_2SO_{4(s)} \end{array}$