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Question number	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1 (a) (i)	2.16 / 241.8 = 0.008 93 or 8.93 × 10 ⁻³ mol	1	Penalise if not 3 significant figures.
1 (a) (ii)	n(O2) = 0.00893 <u>x 0.75</u> (= 0.006 70 mol)	1	Allow (a)(i) <u>× 0.75</u>
1 (a) (iii)	M1 = T = 566 K and P = 100 000 Pa	1	If M1 incorrect can only score M2 and M3
	M2 = Moles NO2 = 0.0268 mol	1	If M2 incorrect can only score M1 and M3 Allow moles of NO_2 = student's answer to (a)(i) × 3 OR (a)(ii) × 4 and consequential M4 Minimum of 2 significant figures.
	M3 = V = <i>n</i> R <i>T</i> / <i>p</i> OR = 0.0268 × 8.31 × 566 / 100 000	1	If M3 incorrect can only score M1 and M2
	M4 = 0.001 26 m ³ or 1.26 × 10^{-3} m ³	1	Allow minimum of 2 significant figures. Allow no units but incorrect units loses M4
			If 0.00642 moles used: $M2 = Moles NO_2 = 0.0193 mol$ $M3 = V = nRT / p = 0.0193 \times 8.31$ $\times 566 / 100 000$ $M4 = 9.06 \times 10^{-4} m^3$ allow 9.06 to 9.08×10^{-4}
1 (b)	(Thermal) decomposition	1	Do not allow catalytic decomposition.
1 (c)	Other products are gases / other products escape easily	1	Allow no other solid (or liquid) product.
2 (a) (i)	3 Fe + Sb ₂ S ₃ \rightarrow 3 FeS + 2 Sb	1	Or multiples. Ignore state symbols.
2 (a) (ii)	$Fe \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + 2e^{-}$	1	Ignore charge on the electron unless incorrect. Or multiples. Credit the electrons being subtracted on the LHS. Ignore state symbols.
2 (b) (i)	$Sb_2S_3\textbf{+4.5}O_2 \rightarrow Sb_2O_3\textbf{+3}SO_2$	1	Or multiples.

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			Ignore state symbols.
2 (b) (ii)	SO_3 or sulfur trioxide / sulfur (VI) oxide	1	Credit also the following ONLY H_2SO_4 or sulfuric acid OR gypsum / CaSO ₄ or plaster of Paris
2 (c) (i)	M1 (could be scored by a correct mathematical expression) M1 $\Delta H_r = \Sigma \Delta H_{-}^{\pm}$ (products) - $\Sigma \Delta H_{-}^{\pm}$ (reactants) OR a correct cycle of balanced equations / correct numbers of moles M2 = 2(+20) + 3(- 394) - (- 705) - 3(-111) = 40 - 1182 + 705 + 333 = -1142 - (-1038) (This also scores M1) M3 = -104 kJ mol ⁻¹ (Award 1 mark ONLY for + 104)	3	Correct answer gains full marks. Credit 1 mark for +104 kJ mol ⁻¹ . For other incorrect or incomplete answers, proceed as follows: • Check for an arithmetic error (AE), which is either a transposition error or an incorrect multiplication; this would score 2 marks. • If no AE, check for a correct method; this requires either a correct cycle with 3CO, 2Sb and 3CO ₂ OR a clear statement of M1 which could be in words and scores only M1 .
2 (c) (ii)	It / Sb is <u>not in its standard state</u> OR <u>Standard state</u> (for Sb) <u>is solid / (s)</u> OR (Sb) <u>liquid is not its standard state</u>	1	Credit a correct definition of standard state as an alternative to the words 'standard state'. QoL
2 (c) (iii)	Reduction OR reduced OR redox	1	
2 (d)	Low-grade ore extraction / it • uses (cheap) scrap / waste iron / steel • is a single-step process • uses / requires less / low(er) energy	1	Ignore references to temperature / heat or labour or technology.
3 (a)	Relative MassRelative ChargeProton1+1Electron1/1800	1 1	This is just easy learning stuff. Make sure you put the – and + signs for the electron and proton though, i.e. not just 1.
3 (b)	³⁸ Ar	2	
3 (c) (i)	1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁶	1	Remember the order of filling up the levels. Remember that ions have the noble gas arrangement.
3 (c) (ii)	any two from:	2	This type of question is common

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	more protons / atomic number / proton number / bigger nuclear charge Al ³⁺ smaller (size) than Na ⁺ / e ⁻ closer to nucleus / more attraction for e ⁻ from / e ⁻ pulled more strongly by Al3 ⁺		so learn the points well. Remember that the 3+ ions have more pulling power and why.
4 (a) (i)	difference in electronegativity / F more electronegative than H	1	Remember it's the difference in electronegativity that is needed not just the electronegativity values.
	bonding electrons drawn towards F	1	State which way the electrons flow.
4 (a) (ii)	NH ₃	1	Electronegativity increases across the period.
4 (a) (iii)	N has smallest electronegativity of N, O, and F NH_3 has smallest electronegativity difference	1	
4 (a) (iv)	Four electron pairs around oxygen, so shape is based on tetrahedron	1	
	Greater repulsion between the two lone pairs of electrons on oxygen and the two bonding pairs. H—O—H bond angle reduced.	1	
4 (b) (i)	hydrogen bonding	1	Don't just put hydrogen.
4 (b) (ii)	$H \xrightarrow{\delta_{+}} N \xrightarrow{\delta_{-}} H \xrightarrow{\delta_{+}} N \xrightarrow{\delta_{-}} H$ 1 pair of charges shown on both molecules	1	A diagram is asked for so you must do that and make sure all the charges, lone pairs, etc. are shown. (If this is asked for as just writing then you need to know the 3 points well.)
	lone pair on both molecules	1	
	hydrogen bond between lone pair and H atom	1	
4 (c) (i)	dative / co-ordinate	1	Learn this.
4 (c) (ii)	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	4	
4 (c) (iii)	pyramidal / (distorted) tetrahedral / (trigonal) pyramid	1	



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		the shapes of just the atoms in each case. Learn the bond angles and in this case realise that it's a regular tetrahedron in NH ⁴⁺ since it has 4 bonds.
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