

IGCSE Chemistry (9-1) Specification 2(c)

(c) Gases in the atmosphere

Students should:

- 2.9** know the approximate percentages by volume of the four most abundant gases in dry air
- 2.10** understand how to determine the percentage by volume of oxygen in air using experiments involving the reactions of metals (e.g. iron) and non-metals (e.g. phosphorus) with air
- 2.11** describe the combustion of elements in oxygen, including magnesium, hydrogen and sulfur
- 2.12** describe the formation of carbon dioxide from the thermal decomposition of metal carbonates, including copper(II) carbonate
- 2.13** know that carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas and that increasing amounts in the atmosphere may contribute to climate change
- 2.14 practical:** determine the approximate percentage by volume of oxygen in air using a metal or a non-metal