

## SL & HL Answers to Fundamentals of organic chemistry (1)

1. i. 2-bromobutane

ii. hexan-3-ol

iii. but-2-ene (for HL it is (*E*)-but-2-ene or *trans*-but-2-ene)

2. i. alcohols:  $C_nH_{(2n+1)}OH$

ii. alkenes:  $C_nH_{2n}$

iii. alkynes:  $C_nH_{(2n-2)}$

iv. amines :  $C_nH_{(2n+1)}NH_2$

3. i.  $C_6H_{10}$

ii. Although cyclohexene does contain just one C=C double bond, when two of the carbon atoms join together to form the six-membered ring two hydrogen atoms are lost (so the general formula for cyclic alkenes is  $C_nH_{(2n-2)}$ , not  $C_nH_{2n}$ ).

iii.  $C_6H_{10}(l) + H_2(g) \rightarrow C_6H_{12}(l)$

iv. Benzene does not consist of alternate double and single bonds between the carbon atoms. Instead it is a resonance hybrid so that all the bonds are of equal strength. This makes the benzene ring more thermodynamically stable by about  $150 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . In order to add hydrogen this energy has to first be overcome so the energy given out is approximately  $(3 \times 120) - 150 = 210 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . (HL students should answer this by saying that the carbon atoms are  $sp^2$  hybridized. The remaining six p electrons (one on each of the six carbon atoms) delocalise to form a delocalised pi bond around all six carbon atoms).

