CHAPTER 3- CARBON-BASED SOCIETY & THE ENVIRONMENT

ACTIVITY 1: Developing a Formula to Make Ethanol

Activity Objective: Develop a formula to make Ethanol using distilled water, yeast and sugar and write a report detailing this formula and process.

Chapter 3 Definition: Ethanol (EtOH or C_2H_6O), also commonly called alcohol, ethyl alcohol, and drinking alcohol, is the principal type of alcohol found in alcoholic beverages, produced by the fermentation of sugars by yeasts. It is a neurotoxic, psychoactive drug, and one of the oldest recreational drugs. It can cause alcohol intoxication when consumed in sufficient quantity.

Ethanol is a volatile, flammable, colorless liquid with a slight chemical odor. It is used as an antiseptic, a solvent, a fuel, and due to its low freezing point, the active fluid in many alcohol thermometers. The molecule is a simple one, being an ethyl group linked to a hydroxyl group. The stem word "eth-" used in many related compounds originates with the then-German word for ethanol (äthyl) developed in the 19th century, used to identify the alkyl chain as consisting of 2 carbon atoms.

VIDEO: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=txm7eu8KxVI

Materials: Chapter 3, paper, computer, printer. Internet Access

SAFETY NOTE: YOU ARE NOT TO ACTUALLY MAKE THIS MATERIAL JUST EXPLAIN HOW IT IS MADE

Procedure:

- 1. Work as partners or small teams
- 2. Review the embedded video above and any other videos on www.youtube.com
- 3. Research the formula for making Ethanol and list it in your report
- 4. Research any applicable safety instructions regarding this process and list them in your report
- 5. List all of the ingredients need to formulate Ethanol
- 6. Write down the detailed process to formulate Ethanol in your report



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World-Class	Proficient	Developing	Emergent
Learner	Learner	Learner	Learner
Learner at this	Learner at this	Learner at this	Learner at this
level has gone	level has had	level has been	level may or may
beyond mastery of	opportunities to	exposed to & had	not have been
knowledge, skills,	apply knowledge,	opportunity to	exposed to
& attitudes	skills, & attitudes	apply knowledge,	knowledge, skills,
described in	of component of	skills, & attitudes	& attitudes
project. World-	project. Proficient	of project.	required by
class learner	learner has	Developing	academic
consistently	mastered essential	learner may have	standards of the
exhibits high-	attributes, thus	only a few	project.
quality	proving mastery.	essential attributes	
performance.		to master before	
		mastery.	

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