

Answer all the questions below as fully as you can then check your answers

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- 4 Draw the displayed formula for ethane-1,2-diol.
- a. Draw the displayed formula for benzene-1,4-dicarboxylic acid.
- b. Draw the molecule formed when one molecule of ethane-1,2-diol and one molecule of benzene-1,4-dicarboxylic acid react.
- c. Draw the repeat unit of the condensation polymer Terylene formed when ethane-1,2-diol and benzene-1,4-dicarboxylic acid react.
- 5. Draw the displayed formula for lactic acid.
- a. What is the IUPAC name for lactic acid?
- b. Draw a diagram to show 3 molecules of lactic acid reacting to form part of the polymer PLA.
- c. Name two uses of PLA.
- d. Suggest a reason why PLA is a better choice to make disposable coffee cups from than expanded polystyrene.

## Answers

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A reaction where two small molecules react and join together to form a larger molecule with the release or elimination of a small molecule; usually water, methanol or hydrogen chloride gas.

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- a. What is the IUPAC name for lactic acid?
  - 2-hydroxypropanoic acid

b. Draw a diagram to show 3 molecules of lactic acid reacting to form part of the polymer PLA.

$$CH_{3}$$
 O  $CH_{3}$  O  $CH_{3}$  O  $CH_{3}$  O  $CH_{3}$  O  $CH_{4}$  OH  $CC-C$  O

- c. Name two uses of PLA.
  - Used in 3d printers to produce a large number of varied products.
  - Food packaging.
  - Disposable cups and cutlery.
  - Compostable bags.
  - · Feminine hygiene products and baby's nappies.
  - · Agricultural mulches to suppress weeds and agricultural netting for crops.
  - Car parts such as mats and plastic panels.
- d. Suggest a reason why PLA is a better choice to make disposable coffee cups from than expanded polystyrene.

PLA is biodegradable and will rot down in the environment; it is also made from renewable resources. Polystyrene is made from a finite resource; crude oil, It's also not biodegradable.