

The chemical terminology (polymers)

Activity One:

Find the full names of the following abbreviations in the field of polymers.

HDPE:

LDPE:

PET:

PP:

PS:

PVA:

PVC:

Activity Two

Find the appropriate concepts for the following definitions.

Viscosity- cross-linking- configuration- crystalline polymer- copolymer- polyester- propagation- kevlar- branched polymer- monomer- extrusion- macromolecule- composite polymer- Ekonol- T_g - Domains- amorphous- linear- Polymerization- end group- polyethylene- Bakelite- filler- Van der Waals forces- initiation- vinyl chloride- material- homopolymer- nylon- dimer- cellulose- Vulcanization- polystyrene- T_m - creep- polymer- condensation polymer- elastomer Thermoset- thermoplastic- addition polymerization- oligomer- free radical-

.....: a network polymer obtained by cross-linking a linear polymer to make it infusible or insoluble.

.....: a polymer produced by the condensation of phenol and formaldehyde.

.....: occurs when primary valence bonds are formed between separate polymer chain molecules.

.....: a high strength polymer which can withstand high temperatures.

.....: a polymer.

.....: a polymer commonly used in packaging.

.....: the chemical reaction in which high molecular mass molecules are formed from monomers.

.....: polymer with a regular order or pattern of molecular arrangement and a sharp melting point.

.....: cross-linking with heat and sulfur to toughen a polymer.

.....: melting temperature.

.....: a macromolecule consisting of more than one type of building unit.

.....: polymer having smaller chains attached to the polymer backbone.

.....: a chemical reaction in which simple molecules are linked together to form long chain molecules.

.....: cold flow of a polymer.

.....: a relatively inert material used as the discontinuous phase of a polymer composite.

.....: a polymer with a COOR repeating unit.

.....: a type of polymer that exhibits rubber-like qualities.

.....: A chemical component that contains a free electron which covalently bonds with a free electron on another molecule.

.....: a high molecular weight macromolecule made up of multiple repeating units.

.....: a fabrication process in which a heat-softened polymer is forced continually by a screw through a die.

.....: glass transition temperature below which a polymer is a hard glassy material.

.....: the most extensively produced polymer.

.....: a low molecular weight polymer in which the number of repeating units is approximately between two and ten.

.....: intermolecular attractions.

.....: one in which two or more molecules combine resulting in elimination of water or other simple molecules, with the process being repeated to form a long chain molecule.

.....: functional group at the end of a chain in polymers, e.g. carboxylic group.

.....: related chemical structure produced by the making and breaking of primary valence bonds.

.....: the start of a chain reaction with a source such as free radicals, peroxides, etc.

.....: the monomer used in PVC production.

.....: sequences or regions in block copolymers.

.....: smallest repeating unit of a polymer.

.....: a substance useful for structural purposes.

.....: non-crystalline polymer or non-crystalline areas in a polymer.

.....: a natural polymer found in wood and other plant material.

.....: a filled or reinforced plastic.

.....: a polymer containing two monomers.

.....: a moldable, high temperature polymer.

.....: a macromolecule consisting of only one type of building unit.

.....: polymers made up of one long continuous chain, without any excess appendages or attachments.

.....: a polymer used commonly in the textiles industry.

.....: the continuous successive chain extension in a polymer chain reaction.

.....: a polymer which may be softened by heat and hardened by cooling in a reversible physical process.

.....: the resistance to flow as applied to a solution or a molten solid.