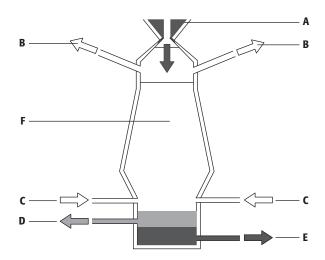
Worksheet 9.1

The blast furnace

1 Complete the following labels for the diagram of the blast furnace for extracting iron. The labels fit in places A–F on the diagram.

molten iron out 1500 °C hot gases out blast of hot air in mixture of iron ore, coke and limestone in molten slag out



A = B =

E = F =

2 Write balanced chemical equations for these reactions which occur in the blast furnace.

a Carbon and oxygen react to form carbon dioxide.

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b Carbon dioxide reacts with carbon to form carbon monoxide.

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c Hematite (iron(III) oxide) reacts with carbon monoxide to form iron and carbon dioxide.

d	Limestone (calcium carbonate) decomposes to form calcium oxide and carbon dioxide.
e	Calcium oxide reacts with impurities such as silica to form slag (calcium silicate).