Quiz (Hydrogen Bonding)

- 1. Predict whether each of the following pairs of molecules will form hydrogen bond when mixed.
 - (a) HF and NH₃
 - (b) CH₃OCH₃ and CH₃CH₂OH
 - (c) CH₃COCH₃ and CHCl₃
- 2. Explain briefly why H₂O has a higher boiling point than both NH₃ and HF.

Suggested Answer

- 1. (a) Yes
 - (b) Yes
 - (c) Yes

Remark:

(a) Hydrogen bond between HF and NH₃ molecules:

(b) Hydrogen bond between CH₃OCH₃ and CH₃CH₂OH molecules:

hydrogen bond
$$\text{H}_{3}\text{C} = 0 \text{ i.i.} \text{H} \text{A} \text{C} \text{H}_{2}\text{CH}_{3}$$

$$\text{CH}_{3} \text{CH}_{3}$$

(c) Hydrogen bond between CH₃COCH₃ and CHCl₃ molecules:

 Each H₂O molecule can form two hydrogen bonds on average but each NH₃ and each HF molecule can form only one hydrogen bond on average respectively. Hence, the intermolecular forces between H₂O molecules are stronger than those between NH₃ or HF molecules.