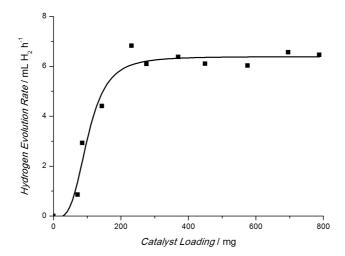
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Briefly explain how a catalyst works.	Mark 2

• When irradiated with visible light, CdS can catalyse the production of H₂ from water.

$$H_2O$$
 + light CdS H_2 + $\frac{1}{2}O_2$

The rate of H₂ production from 80 mL of water at constant illumination varies with the amount of catalyst present (*i.e.* CdS loading) as shown below.



Why does the rate of H₂ production as a function of catalyst loading plateau?

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• What is a catalyst and, in general terms, how does it work? Make reference to an energy level diagram in your answer.	2