• The thermite reaction is written below. Show that the heat released in this reaction is sufficient for the iron to be produced as molten metal.

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$$2Al(s) \ + \ Fe_2O_3(s) \ \rightarrow \ Al_2O_3(s) \ + \ 2Fe(l)$$

Assume that the values in the table are independent of temperature.

Substance	Enthalpy of formation, $\Delta_f H^o$ kJ mol ⁻¹	Molar heat capacity, C_p J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	Melting point °C	Enthalpy of fusion kJ mol ⁻¹
Al	0	24	660	11
Al ₂ O ₃	-1676	79	2054	109
Fe	0	25	1535	14
Fe ₂ O ₃	-824	104	1565	138