MY FAVORITE MISTAKE

Identify where the mistake is in the steps and answer the questions in the table that follow.

Problem: How many moles of O₂ do you need to burn 3 moles of C₄H₁₀?

Given equation:
$$C_4H_{10} + 13O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O$$

Step 1: Balance the equation:

$$2C_4H_{10} + 5O_2 \rightarrow 8CO_2 + 10H_2O$$

Step 2: Mole-to-mole ratio:

2 moles C₄H₁₀ require 26 moles O₂

Step 3: Using the given information solve the problem:

Q1. What are two things that are done well?

Q2. Where is the mistake?

Q3. What should be done differently?

Q4. What is the correct answer?