

End-of-Topic A4

Quick-Mark Homeworks

for GCSE AQA Combined Science

Physics Topics 5–7

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Teacher's Introduction

These End-of-Topic Revision Quick-Mark Homeworks are designed to test and consolidate students' knowledge of the **AQA GCSE (9–1) Combined Science** course, **Physics Topics 5–7**.

The second half of the course is split into seven topics, six of which are covered by at least 40 questions, with one shorter 22-question test for a total of over 270 questions.

Remember!

Always check the exam board website for new information, including changes to the specification and sample assessment material.

The questions increase in difficulty across each homework, with an extension section at the bottom of each homework. The **Fundamentals** section on each homework is targeted at students aiming for grade 4–5. The **Challenge** section is targeted at students aiming for grade 6. The **Extension** section is targeted at students aiming for grade 7 and above. All Higher-tier-only content is in the extension section, so the main body of the homework is suitable for students completing Foundation-tier exams.

Maths questions and some shorter-answer questions may contain working or explanation that is not required in the answer so that students can more easily understand and follow difficult answers.

The homeworks are intended to be used at the end of each topic, but they can also be used at the end of the course to aid revision. Alternatively, you may choose to use them as tests in class or for students to work through by themselves or in pairs to test their understanding of the course material.

The first set of fundamentals questions for each homework are presented in the second section for use with weaker students who may struggle with the full homework. These can be cut down the middle to use one test at a time or test two topics at a time.

Answers are presented at the back of the resource, enabling students to check their answers, or teachers to mark students' work quickly and easily.

I hope you find this resource useful in your teaching.

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Specification Reference Table

Homework	Title	Specification Reference
1	Forces, Energy Transfer and Elasticity	6.5.1–6.5.3
2	Speed and Braking	6.5.4.1, 6.5.4.3
3	Newton's Laws and Momentum	6.5.4.2, 6.5.5
4	Wave Fundamentals	6.6.1
5	Electromagnetic Spectrum	6.6.2
6	Magnets and Electromagnets	6.7.1, 6.7.2.1
7	Electric Motors	6.7.2.2–6.7.2.3

Topic 1 — Forces, Energy Transfer and

Fundamentals

1. Is friction a contact or non-contact force?
2. What is the unit for mass?
3. What is the unit for weight?
4. Which energy transfers occur when a force is applied to the brakes of a moving car?
5. What is the unit for 'weight'?
6. Which formula relates mass, gravitational field strength and weight?
7. Which distance and displacement is a vector quantity?
8. A string holding an object from the ceiling is an example of which force?
9. What is the force produced by wings and rotating blades?
10. Air resistance and water resistance are also known as...
11. Name a contact force
12. Which equation relates force, spring constant and extension?
13. How do you work out the extension of a spring?
14. What unit should you use for spring extension in calculations?

1. Name a non-contact force
2. What does the area under a force-extension graph represent?
3. What does the gradient of a force-extension graph represent?
4. What is 660 N in kg?
5. What is the difference between a scalar and a vector quantity?
6. What is meant by 'weight'?
7. A change in momentum is equal to the impulse. True or false?
8. This type of force causes an object to return to its original shape. What is it?
9. Is force a vector quantity?
10. What is the difference between mass and weight?
11. A force exerted on a surface is called a contact force. True or false?
12. What is 26.8 N in kg? Give your answer to 2 s.f.
13. What is the weight of a 1 kg object on the Moon where $g = 1.6 \text{ N/kg}$?
14. The gravitational field strength on the Moon is 1.6 N/kg . True or false?

Extension

1. State Hooke's law.
2. Non-contact forces are due to the action of...
3. A material that obeys Hooke's law demonstrates which type of extension?
4. What is the normal contact force?
5. The point on a force extension graph where the graph changes from linear to non-linear extension is...
6. What is the unit for gravitational field strength?
7. Can the shape of an object be changed by stretching, compressing or bending due to a single force?
8. What is weight?
9. What is the type of force that causes an object whose shape changes by a force?
10. The work done on an object by a force is the area under a force-extension graph. True or false?
11. How many forces act on an object in order for it to be in equilibrium?
12. How much work is done by a 10 N force to accelerate a 1 kg object from rest to a speed of 35 m/s?

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Topic 2 — Speed and Braking

Fundamentals

1. How do you calculate average speed?
2. What is a typical walking speed?
3. What is the unit for acceleration?
4. What is the speed of a stationary object?
5. What is the unit for distance?
6. Stopping distance = _____
7. How can a car's reaction time increase the stopping distance of a car?
8. An object travels 120 m in 6 seconds. What is its speed?
9. What are the units of velocity?
10. Convert 20 km/s into m/s
11. A horizontal line on a distance–time graph indicates that the object is...
12. What will poor brakes affect: the thinking distance or the braking distance?
13. Is acceleration a vector or a scalar quantity?
14. Which formula relates acceleration, velocity and time?
15. What is deceleration?

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1. What is velocity?
2. If an object undergoes a change in direction it is said to be accelerating.
3. What is the size of the terminal velocity?
4. What is the difference between speed and velocity?
5. The gradient on a velocity–time graph is acceleration.
6. The gradient on a distance–time graph is speed.
7. Which factor affects the braking distance of a car?
8. A car's velocity changes from 0 to 30 m/s in a minute. Calculate its acceleration.
9. A negative acceleration is deceleration.
10. Which two forces determine the braking distance of a car?
11. An object travels 100 m in 5 s with an acceleration of 2 m/s^2 . What is its final velocity?
12. What does 'uniform' acceleration mean?
13. A negative value of velocity means the object is moving in the opposite direction.
14. The speed of sound in air is 340 m/s. How long does it take for sound to travel 2 miles (3.2 km)?
15. The distance travelled is not the same as the displacement. Why?

Extension

1. Rearrange $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ to find acceleration (a)
2. What does the area under a velocity–time graph tell you about an object's motion?
3. For a given braking force, doubling a car's speed increases the braking distance by a factor of...
4. An object is moving in a circle at 30 m/s – what is happening to the object's speed and velocity?
5. How do you calculate instantaneous speed on a curved distance–time graph?
6. An object accelerates from 2.5 m/s to 20 m/s in 2.5 s. What distance does it travel?
7. A beta particle travels at 270 000 km/s. What percentage of the speed of light ($3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$) is this?
8. A skydiver wears a helmet. Calculate the time taken to reach terminal velocity.
9. A car travels 7 m in 0.5 s. What is the speed limit is the car?
10. A stopwatch adds 0.04 s to the time taken for the stop button is pressed.
11. What is the average speed of a car that accelerates at 3 m/s^2 for 4 s from a stationary start?
12. Light (speed = $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$) takes 8 minutes to reach Earth. How far is it from the sun?
13. The moon is 384 400 km from Earth. Calculate the distance in metres and the time taken for light to reach Earth.
14. For a given braking force, doubling the speed increases the braking distance by a factor of...
15. A ball is launched from a height of 2 m. The maximum height it reaches is 10 m. Calculate its initial speed.

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Topic 3 — Newton's Laws and Mo

Fundamentals

1. Which formula relates force, acceleration and mass?
2. Compare and contrast the two forces in an interaction pair
3. An object is stationary and has a resultant force of zero acting on it. What happens to its motion?
4. Acceleration is caused by...
5. What force is required to give a 10 kg object an acceleration of 5 m/s^2 ?
6. Newton's first law states that...
7. Newton's second law states that...
8. Newton's third law says that whenever two objects interact they...
9. The acceleration of an object is inversely proportional to the...
10. The Earth exerts a 2 N force downwards on a pear. What force does the pear exert on the Earth?
11. A trolley of mass 10 kg accelerates at 4.2 m/s^2 . What size resultant force is acting on the trolley?
12. A tennis ball of mass 0.1 kg is hit with a force of 23 N. What is its initial acceleration?
13. One force in an interaction pair is an electrostatic force, the other force is...
14. An object travelling at terminal velocity is an example of which of Newton's laws?
15. Forces in an interaction pair act at right angles to each other — true or false?

1. What is inertia?
2. What is conservation of momentum?
3. The forces on a stationary object are balanced. What do we know about its motion?
4. What are the units of momentum?
5. An object of mass 2 kg is moving with a constant velocity of 15 m/s . What is its momentum?
6. If the resultant force on an object is zero, what will happen to its motion?
7. An object is at rest. What is the total momentum of the object?
8. Which of Newton's laws is always occurring?
9. If an object is moving with a constant velocity, what is true about the forces acting on it?
10. An object with a constant velocity is moving. What is its momentum?
11. Is momentum conserved in all collisions?
12. Why is momentum conserved?
13. Which equation relates momentum, mass and velocity?

Extension

1. If an object increases its speed then the air resistance that object experiences will...
2. An object is moving and has a resultant force of zero acting on it. This means it will...
3. What is the effect of an airbag on the momentum of a passenger in a road accident?
4. A cannonball is shot from a cannon with a momentum of 3000 kg m/s . What is the cannon's momentum?
5. The cannon in question 4 has a mass of 1500 kg. What is its velocity when it recoils?
6. A resultant force of 10 000 N accelerates an object at 2.5 m/s^2 . What is its momentum after 5 s or 1 s?
7. The mass of Earth is $6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$. What is the acceleration of a 50 g apple falling from the sky?
8. A student notices a car moving with a constant velocity of zero with no momentum. What is the car's mass?
9. Why will all cars eventually stop?
10. An object with a constant velocity is moving. What is its momentum?
11. A rock of weight 10 N is falling with a constant velocity of 17 m/s . What is its momentum?
12. As $F = ma$ and $a = \frac{dv}{dt}$, what is the relationship between force and momentum?
13. What force is required to stop a car of mass 1000 kg travelling at 70 m/s in 10 s?

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Topic 4 — Wave Fundamentals

Fundamentals

1. Peaks and troughs are features of which type of wave?
2. Compressions and rarefactions are features of which type of wave?
3. What unit is used to describe wave frequency?
4. Describe how to find the wavelength on a diagram of a transverse wave.
5. The minimum displacement of a transverse wave (undisplaced position to peak or trough) is the:
6. Which quantity does the symbol ' λ ' represent?
7. What is the wave equation?
8. What does a wave transfer?
9. Water ripples are an example of which type of wave?
10. Sound waves are an example of which type of wave?
11. The number of waves passing a point each second is referred to as what?
12. Describe the pressure and how the particles are arranged in a compression of a longitudinal wave.
13. Describe the pressure and how the particles are arranged in a rarefaction of a longitudinal wave.
14. What does perpendicular mean?
15. What does oscillate mean?

1. In a transverse wave, the particles oscillate in relation to the direction of wave travel.
2. In a longitudinal wave, the particles oscillate in relation to the direction of wave travel.
3. What is the period of a wave?
4. Convert 1.5 MHz to Hz.
5. A wave is measured to have a frequency of 50 Hz. What is the amplitude?
6. Which word describes the shaking caused by earthquakes?
7. Period \times Frequency = ?
8. The frequency of a wave is 20 Hz. What is the period of the wave?
9. What is the amplitude of a wave?
10. The frequency of a wave is 50 Hz. What is the period?
11. Are S-waves longitudinal or transverse?

Extension

1. What is the relationship between wavelength and frequency?
2. Are P-waves longitudinal or transverse?
3. Which of the two types of seismic waves can be detected on the opposite side of the world?
4. Compare and contrast how S-waves and P-waves travel through solids and liquids.
5. Measuring 10 wavelengths in a ripple tank is a way to reduce what?
6. The length of 10 waves produced by a 55 Hz generator is measured with a ruler to be 45 cm. Wave speed to 2 s.f. =
7. Refraction of a wave at a boundary is due to a change in what feature of a wave?
8. The period of a wave is 0.02 s. What is the wavelength?
9. How can you show that P-waves are not transferred through liquids?
10. How can you show that S-waves are not transferred through liquids?
11. Convert 2600 nm to standard form.
12. The period of a wave is 0.02 s. What is the frequency?
13. What are shadow zones?
14. A wave travelling at 340 m/s has a period of 0.002 s. What is its wavelength?

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Topic 5 — Electromagnetic Spectra

Fundamentals

1. What is the order of the electromagnetic spectrum from shortest to longest wavelength?
2. As wavelength increases in the electromagnetic spectrum, the frequency...
3. Microwaves are used for cooking or in mobile phones. What else are they used for?
4. Which illness is high exposure to ultraviolet radiation particularly associated with?
5. Which part of the electromagnetic spectrum are used in medical treatments and imaging?
6. Which is the only part of the electromagnetic spectrum that our eyes can detect?
7. How does the speed of waves in the electromagnetic spectrum in a vacuum compare?
8. What is a use of radio waves?
9. Radiation dose is measured in...
10. What type of waves are electromagnetic waves?
11. What do we call something that produces electromagnetic waves?
12. What do electromagnetic waves transfer?
13. All hot objects emit...
14. What has a greater frequency: ultraviolet or infrared?
15. Which type of radiation has a longer wavelength: radio waves or microwaves?

1. Fibre optics make use of which part of the electromagnetic spectrum?
2. What is the speed of light in a vacuum?
3. Ultraviolet, X-rays and gamma rays are all ionising radiation. What type of radiation is visible light?
4. What is ionising radiation?
5. How do electrons move in a vacuum tube?
6. Why are radio waves used for communication in a vacuum?
7. Calculate the frequency of a wave with a wavelength of 10 m.
8. Gamma rays are produced by the decay of unstable nuclei. What is the half-life of a substance?
9. Convert 250 mSv to Sv.
10. Which form of radiation is used to age prematurely?
11. Electromagnetic waves are produced by a source to an antenna. What is the purpose of the antenna?
12. Radio waves can be used to heat food in an electrical circuit. What is the purpose of the circuit?
13. Why is radiation dose measured in Sv?
14. What carries more energy than visible light?
15. Which form of electromagnetic radiation is used for sterilising medical equipment?

Extension

1. What is created when radio waves are absorbed by a conductor?
2. What happens to the internal energy of substances when they absorb electromagnetic radiation?
3. From where do gamma rays originate in the atom?
4. Why are microwaves superior to radio waves for satellite communications?
5. Which property of EM waves affects whether they are absorbed, reflected, transmitted or refracted?
6. Explain how a light ray will be refracted.
7. Refraction is a change in the direction of a wave in a new substance.
8. Which type of electromagnetic wave is used for a remote control?
9. Why are X-rays used for medical imaging?
10. Why would using visible light for communication be a problem?

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Topic 6 — Magnets and Electromagnetism

Fundamentals

1. By which term are the ends of a magnet referred to?
2. Why does a compass needle point towards the Earth's North pole?
3. As you get closer to a magnet, the strength of the magnetic field...
4. The field around a bar magnet can be shown by iron...
5. A magnetic field is stronger where the field lines are closer together, the further its field lines are apart...
6. What is a permanent magnet? What is an induced magnet? What is an electromagnet?
7. Name one magnetic material.
8. What will decreasing the current in a wire do to the strength of the magnetic field around it?
9. What do the arrows on magnetic field lines tell you?
10. How can a conducting wire be made to produce a magnetic field?
11. The north pole of a magnet and a south pole of another magnet will do what to each other?
12. Are magnetic attraction and repulsion examples of contact or non-contact forces?
13. The strength of a magnetic field around a bar magnet is stronger as you move away from it.
14. A magnet is attracted to a refrigerator door; which type of magnetism is this an example of?
15. A door is locked and unlocked using a switch; which type of magnetism is used in the door?

1. Which type of magnetic field is produced by a straight wire?
2. Which type of magnetic field is produced by a solenoid?
3. Where is the magnetic field strongest in a magnet?
4. A coil of wire is connected to a battery. What is the magnetic field around it?
5. A solenoid with a core of iron is used as an electromagnet. What is the magnetic field around it?
6. What is a magnetic field?
7. Explain why a magnetic field is useful in a motor.
8. Which factors affect the strength of a magnetic field?
9. Describe how a magnetic field can be produced by a current-carrying wire.
10. What happens to the magnetic field when a magnet is removed from a circuit?
11. Describe how a magnetic field can be produced by a current-carrying wire.
12. The direction of the magnetic field around a wire is given by the right-hand rule. What is the right-hand rule?
13. What shape is the magnetic field around a current-carrying wire?
14. Why is steel attracted to a magnet?
15. Imagine a straight wire carrying a current. What is the magnetic field around it?

Extension

1. If the current is kept the same, a magnetic field around a solenoid can be increased in strength by...
2. The shape of the magnetic field for a solenoid is similar to...
3. A student says 'an induced magnet repels the magnet placed by it'. Explain why the student is wrong.
4. Which has a stronger magnetic field when carrying a current: a solenoid or a straight wire?
5. How does a compass disagree with geographical polarity?
6. Compasses arranged around a wire all point clockwise – which way is the current flowing?
7. The force between two magnets is increased. What does the magnetic field do?
8. What does magnetic field strength mean?
9. A uniform magnetic field is applied to a wire. What is the magnetic field?
10. What is the magnetic field strength?
11. Convert 1.6×10^{-5} T to mT.
12. A 12 cm wire carries a current of 2 A. The force of 2×10^{-2} N is exerted on it. What is the magnetic field strength?
13. For the wire in Q12, what is the force if the current is 4 A?
14. What is the symbol for magnetic field strength?
15. What is the motor effect?

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Topic 7 — Electric Motors

Fundamentals

1. What is alternating current?
2. What is direct current?
3. Electric motors transfer energy to their kinetic energy store by which pathway?
4. The north poles of two magnets are moved close together. What do the north poles do to each other?
5. True or False – all metals are attracted to magnets?
6. Which type of magnet is most appropriate in a security gate lock?
7. Is magnetic force a contact or non-contact force?
8. Which of alpha, beta and gamma radiation will not be deflected by a magnetic field?
9. A magnetic field can induce current to flow. Which subatomic charges typically flow in circuits?
10. A piece of metal (in elemental form) appears to respond to a magnet. Which metal might it be?
11. A permanent magnet is repelled when moved close to material X. Is material X an induced magnet?

1. How many coils?
2. What does a step-down transformer do to current?
3. How can a magnetic field be induced in a permanent magnet?
4. A current can be induced in a magnetic field. What is the unit of induced current?
5. What is the unit of induced voltage?
6. Primary coil = 100 turns. Is this a step-up or step-down transformer?
7. A wire has a magnetic force of 0.04 N. What is the magnetic field strength?

Extension

1. What does a step-down transformer do to current?
2. In a generator, which coil position produces the greatest potential difference?
3. Which rule helps you to find the direction of forces produced in a motor?
4. A step-up transformer is used to charge a battery – what happens to the current?

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Fundamentals Tests

Topic 1 — Forces, Energy Transfer and Electricity

- 1 Is friction a contact or non-contact force?
- 2 What is the unit for mass?
- 3 What is the unit for weight?
- 4 Which energy transfer occurs when a force is applied to the brakes of a car?
- 5 What is the unit for 'work done'?
- 6 Which formula relates mass, gravitational field strength and weight?
- 7 Which of distance and displacement is a vector quantity?
- 8 A string holding an object from the ceiling is an example of which force?
- 9 What is the force produced by wings and rotating blades?
- 10 Air resistance and water resistance are also known as...
- 11 Name a contact force
- 12 Which equation relates force, spring constant and extension?
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Topic 2 — Speed and Braking

- 1 How do you calculate average speed?
- 2 What is a typical walking speed?
- 3 What is the unit for acceleration?
- 4 What is the speed of a stationary object?
- 5 What is the unit for distance?
- 6 Stopping distance = _____ + _____
- 7 How can alcohol consumption increase the stopping distance of a car?
- 8 An object travels 120 m in 6 seconds. What is its speed?
- 9 What are the units of velocity?
- 10 Convert 20 km/s into m/s
- 11 A horizontal line on a distance–time graph indicates that the object is...
- 12 What will poor brakes affect: the thinking distance or the braking distance?
- 13 Is acceleration a vector or a scalar quantity?
- 14 Which formula relates acceleration, velocity and time?
- 15 What is deceleration?

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Topic 3 — Newton's Laws and Momentum

- 1 Which formula relates force, acceleration and mass?
- 2 Compare and contrast the two forces in an interaction pair
- 3 An object is stationary and has a resultant force of zero acting on it. What can you say about the forces acting on it?
- 4 Acceleration is caused by...
- 5 What force is required to give a 10 kg object an acceleration of 5 m/s^2 ?
- 6 Newton's first law states that...
- 7 Newton's second law states that...
- 8 Newton's third law says that whenever two objects interact they...
- 9 The acceleration of an object is inversely proportional to the...
- 10 The Earth exerts a 2 N force downwards on a pear. What force does the pear exert on the Earth?
- 11 A trolley of mass 10 kg accelerates at 4.2 m/s^2 . What size resultant force is acting on it?
- 12 A tennis ball of mass 0.1 kg is hit with a force of 23 N. What is its initial acceleration?
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- 6 What quantity does the symbol ' λ ' represent?
- 7 What is the wave equation?
- 8 What does a wave transfer?
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- 10 Sound waves are an example of which type of wave?
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- 12 Describe the pressure and how the particles are arranged in a compression.
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- 15 What does oscillate mean?

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Topic 5 — Electromagnetic Spectrum

- 1 What is the order of the electromagnetic spectrum from shortest to longest?
- 2 As wavelength increases in the electromagnetic spectrum, the frequency...
- 3 Microwaves are used for cooking and what else?
- 4 Which illness is high exposure to ultraviolet radiation particularly associated with?
- 5 Which parts of the electromagnetic spectrum are used in medical treatment?
- 6 Which is the only part of the electromagnetic spectrum that our eyes can detect?
- 7 How does the speed of waves in the electromagnetic spectrum in a vacuum compare?
- 8 What are the frequencies of radio waves?
- 9 Radio wave dose is measured in...
- 10 What type of waves are electromagnetic waves?
- 11 What do we call something that produces electromagnetic waves?
- 12 What do electromagnetic waves transfer?
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- 1 By which term are the ends of a magnet referred to?
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- 4 The field around a bar magnet can be shown by iron...
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- 10 How can a conducting wire be made to produce a magnetic field?
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- 15 A door is locked and unlocked using a switch; which type of magnet is likely to be used?

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Topic 7 — Electric Motors

- 1 What is alternating current?
- 2 What is direct current?
- 3 Electric motors transfer energy to their kinetic energy store by which path?
- 4 The north poles of two magnets are moved close together. What do they do?
- 5 True or false - all metals are attracted to magnets?
- 6 Which type of magnet is most appropriate in a security gate lock?
- 7 Is magnetic force a contact or non-contact force?
- 8 Which of alpha, beta and gamma radiation will not be deflected by a magnetic field?
- 9 A magnetic field can induce current to flow. Which subatomic charges typically move?
- 10 A piece of metal (in elemental form) appears to respond to a magnet. What does this tell you about the metal?
- 11 A permanent magnet is repelled when moved close to material X. Is material X a magnet?

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Answers

Topic 1 — Forces, Energy Transfer and Elastic

Fundamentals

1. Contact
2. Kilograms
3. Newtons
4. Transfer from the kinetic energy store of the vehicle to the thermal store of the brakes
5. Joules
6. $W = mg$ (Weight = mass \times gravitational field strength)
7. Displacement
8. Tension
9. Lift
10. Drag
11. Any one of friction, air resistance, tension, thrust, normal contact force, upthrust
12. $F = k e$ (Force = Spring constant \times Extension)
13. Stretched length – Original length
14. Metres (m)

Challenge

1. Any one of: gravitational force, electrostatic force and magnetic force
2. That two quantities are proportional to each other
3. How stiff a spring is
4. 660 joules
5. Scalar quantities only have a magnitude, vector quantities have a magnitude and a direction
6. It is the point through which an object's weight appears to act (or is considered to) act
7. Deformation
8. Elastic
9. Vector
10. 9.8 m/s^2
11. Normal contact force
12. 27 kN
13. 12 N
14. False

Extension

1. The extension of an elastic object is directly proportional to the force applied as long as the limit of proportionality has not been exceeded
2. Fields
3. Linear
4. A force exerted by a surface in contact with an object – this force is exerted at 90° to the surface
5. Limit of proportionality
6. N/kg
7. No
8. The force applied by a gravitational field acting on a mass
9. Plastic
10. Elastic potential energy store
11. More than one
12. 5.1 kJ

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Topic 2 — Speed and Braking

Fundamentals

1. Distance ÷ Time
2. 1.5 m/s
3. m/s^2
4. 0 m/s
5. Metres (m)
6. Thinking distance + Braking distance
7. Alcohol consumption can slow reaction times: this can increase the time taken to apply the brakes (increasing the braking distance) so the car travels further in this time
8. 20 m/s
9. m/s
10. 20 000 m
11. Stationary
12. Braking distance
13. Vector
14. Acceleration = Change in velocity ÷ Change in time
15. When an object slows down

Challenge

1. Displacement ÷ Time **OR** Speed in a certain direction
2. Accelerating
3. 0
4. Speed only has a magnitude whereas velocity has a magnitude and a direction
5. Acceleration
6. Speed
7. The speed
8. $35 \div 30 = 1.17 \text{ m/s}^2$
9. Slowing down
10. Weight and air resistance (drag)
11. 20 m/s
12. A constant rate of acceleration
13. Travelling in the opposite direction
14. 9.70s
15. Because displacement is the distance from a given point in a certain direction – an object can change its direction while maintaining or reducing its overall displacement

Extension

1. $a = \frac{(v^2 - u^2)}{2s}$
2. Displacement
3. 4
4. Velocity is changing because of the change of direction, speed is constant
5. Draw a tangent to the graph at the desired time – calculate the gradient of the tangent
6. 28 m
7. 90%
8. It will decrease it
9. 1.5 mph (2.4 km/h)
10. Systematic
11. 8 m/s
12. $1.44 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$
13. 380 000 000 m
14. 9
15. 45.9m

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Topic 3 — Newton's Laws and Momentum

Fundamentals

1. Force = mass \times acceleration
2. The forces are equal in size and opposite in direction
3. It will remain stationary
4. The resultant force
5. 50 N
6. If the sum of all forces on an object is zero then its velocity will remain constant
7. The acceleration on an object is proportional to the resultant force applied to it
8. Exert equal and opposite forces on each other
9. Mass of the object
10. A 2 N force
11. 42 N
12. 230 m/s^2
13. Also an electrostatic force
14. First
15. False (forces act in the same plane, in different directions)

Challenge

1. The tendency of an object to remain at rest or continue its uniform motion
2. In a closed system the total momentum before an event is equal to the total momentum after
3. That it will remain constant
4. kg m/s
5. $22\,500 \text{ kg m/s}$
6. It will change
7. 0
8. Newton's third law
9. They must be unbalanced
10. 0 kg m/s
11. Vector
12. Different parts of the object move in different directions (so cancel out)
13. $F = ma$

Extension

1. Increase
2. Continue to move at the same speed and in the same direction
3. The airbag decreases the rate of change of momentum the passenger experiences
4. -3000 kgm/s
5. -2 m/s
6. $50\,000 \text{ kgm/s}$
7. $8.2 \times 10^{-26} \text{ m/s}^2$
8. Zero error (systematic)
9. Because there will be a point where the maximum driving thrust from the engine is balanced by friction and air resistance – the car will reach terminal velocity
10. 87.3 s
11. $34\,000 \text{ kgm/s}$ (mass of the object = $19600/9.8$)
12. $F = \frac{m\Delta v}{t}$
13. 350 N

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Topic 4 — Wave Fundamentals

Fundamentals

1. Transverse
2. Longitudinal
3. Hertz (Hz)
4. Find the distance between the same point on two adjacent waves (i.e. peak to peak)
5. Amplitude
6. Wavelength
7. $v = f\lambda$ (wave speed = frequency \times wavelength)
8. Energy
9. Transverse
10. Longitudinal
11. Frequency
12. Particles are close together (high pressure region)
13. Particles are spread further apart (low pressure region)
14. At 90° (right angles)
15. Vibrations around a fixed point

Challenge

1. Perpendicular
2. Parallel to
3. The time taken for one complete wave to pass a point
4. 1 500 000 Hz
5. 21 m
6. Seismic
7. 1
8. 0.01 s
9. Metres
10. 6.7×10^{-8} s
11. Transverse

Extension

1. Inverse
2. Longitudinal
3. P-waves
4. S-waves cannot travel through liquids, P-waves can travel through both solids and liquids
5. Percentage error
6. 2.5 m/s
7. Velocity
8. 93 m
9. Set up a float; as the wave passes through the float moves up and down
10. Set up a balloon next to a speaker; as a sound is played the balloon will move backwards and forwards
11. 2×10^{-6} m
12. 3.3×10^4 Hz
13. Areas where no P-waves are detected following an earthquake
14. 8 milliseconds

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Topic 5 — Electromagnetic Spectrum

Fundamentals

1. Gamma, X-rays, ultraviolet, visible light, infrared, microwaves, radio waves
2. Decreases
3. Satellite communications
4. Skin cancer
5. Gamma and X-rays
6. Visible light
7. They all have the same speed
8. Television and radio signals, communications
9. Sieverts (Sv)
10. Transverse
11. A source of electromagnetic radiation
12. Energy
13. Infrared
14. Ultraviolet
15. Radio waves

Challenge

1. Visible light
2. 3×10^8 m/s
3. Ionising
4. Radiation that can remove electrons from atoms
5. When they move between energy levels
6. Can travel long distances in air
7. 30 000 Hz
8. Changes in the nucleus of an atom
9. 0.25 Sv
10. UV
11. Absorber
12. Oscillations
13. It tells you the risk of harm from exposure to a particular form of radiation
14. Ultraviolet
15. Gamma

Extension

1. Alternating current
2. It increases
3. Nucleus
4. Microwaves can penetrate the atmosphere
5. Wavelength
6. It will not as refraction occurs when a wave crosses a boundary at an angle
7. Velocity
8. Infrared
9. Can penetrate soft tissue but are absorbed by bone – so can show breakages
10. Visible light is absorbed/affected by:
 - weather/clouds
 - atmospheric disturbances

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Topic 6 — Magnets and Electromagnets

Fundamentals

1. Poles (north and south)
2. Because the needle is a bar magnet
3. Increases
4. Filings
5. Weaker
6. Permanent
7. Any one of: iron, steel, nickel or cobalt
8. Reduce it
9. The direction of the force exerted by the north pole (of the magnet)
10. By passing an electric current through it
11. Attract
12. Non-contact
13. Decreases
14. Induced
15. An electromagnet

Challenge

1. Permanent
2. Induced
3. At the poles
4. Solenoid
5. Electromagnet
6. A region around a magnet where a magnetic material experiences a force
7. An electromagnet can be turned on and off – so it can be used for specific functions (unlike permanent magnetic materials)
8. How close that point is to the wire (the closer, the stronger) and the size of the current
9. Move a plotting compass around the magnet, marking the ends of the needle each time to draw the field lines
10. It loses its magnetism very quickly / almost immediately
11. Wrap an insulated wire around a nail and attach the ends to a battery
12. North to South
13. Circular
14. Because it contains iron
15. Clockwise

Extension

1. Adding an iron core **OR** Increasing the number of turns in the solenoid
2. A bar magnet
3. Induced magnetism always creates a force of attraction as the induced poles are opposite to the poles of the magnet it is placed near
4. A solenoid
5. A compass points to the geographic north pole which is a magnetic south pole
6. Down
7. Attractive
8. Its strength
9. Constant strength
10. Uniform
11. $16 \mu\text{T}$
12. 0.14 T
13. Force would increase by 3 times
14. B
15. When a current is passed through a conductor in a magnetic field

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Topic 7 — Electric Motors

Fundamentals

1. Current that reverses its direction several times per second
2. Current that flows in one direction round a circuit
3. Electric current
4. Repel
5. False
6. Electromagnet
7. Non-contact
8. Gamma
9. Electron
10. Iron, cobalt, nickel
11. No

Challenge

1. Two (one primary and one secondary)
2. It decreases it
3. If it repels another magnet it is a permanent magnet
4. Generator effect
5. Tesla
6. Step-down
7. 4 m/s^2

Extension

1. It increases it
2. 90° to the field (also 270°)
3. Fleming's left hand rule
4. Nothing happens as transformers only work with AC appliances – a battery provides DC

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