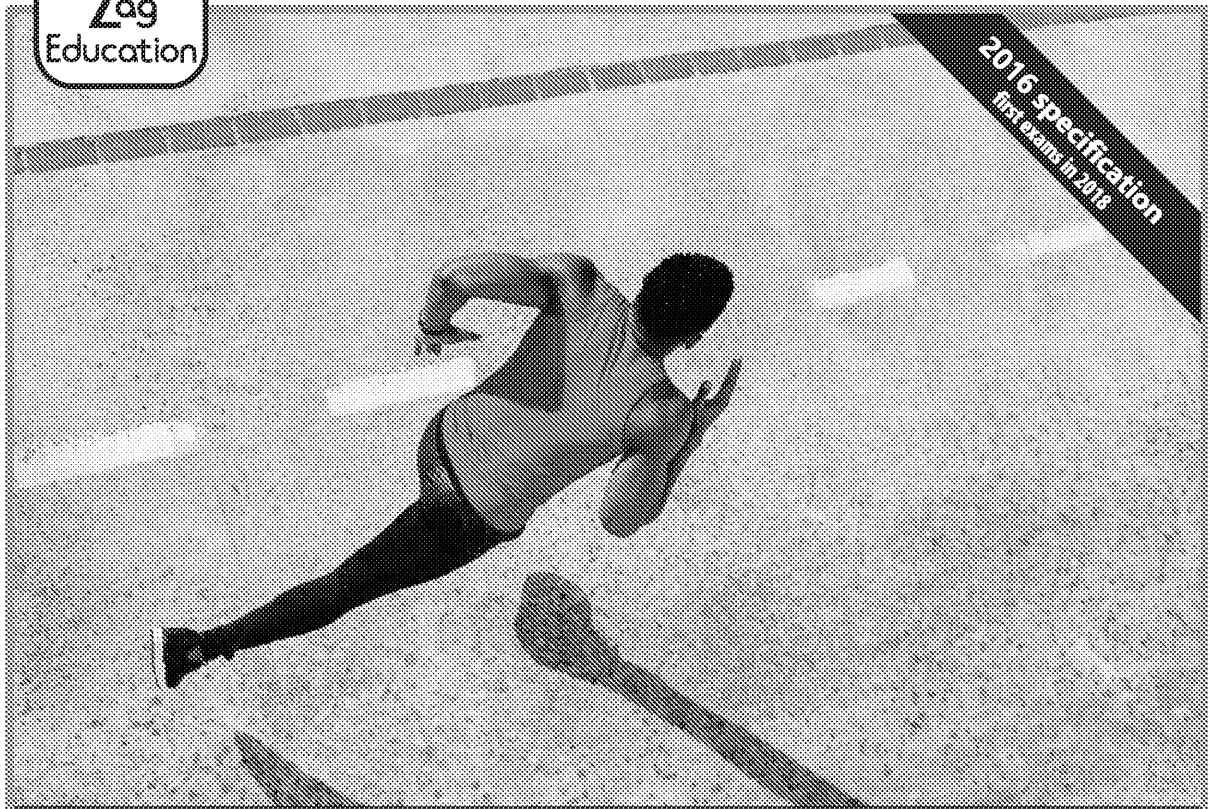




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Teacher's Introduction

This resource has been created to supplement your teaching and to support you and your students through the topic of **Edexcel GCSE PE (9–1): Movement Analysis**. It has been broken down into four sections ensuring time to fully develop the required knowledge and understanding:

- 2.1.1 – First-, second- and third-class lever systems
- 2.1.2 – Mechanical advantage
- 1.1.5 – Analysis of basic movements
- 2.2 – Planes and axes of movement

Remember!

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

Why is movement analysis a tricky topic?

I have found that students struggle with the concept of 'movement analysis' due to the complex nature of sporting movements. With sports skills being dynamic, it can be a challenge to interpret these movements, as a slight change in body position can lead students into incorrect answers. For example, a slight change in body position can deceive a student into thinking a certain lever system is being used, due to where the fulcrum is, or that a movement occurs through a certain plane, due to the multiple directions through which a skill takes place. Additionally, the terminology can be very technical and use terms that students may not be familiar with, leading to a reduction in their confidence in the topic.

Over the years it has become apparent that the analysis of movement should include activities that are visual in order to support students' understanding and application of, and ability to analyse, the key concepts. Additionally, I have often found that PE students enjoy being practical, so approaching this topic through physical activity is ideal for getting through to students and improving their confidence in this topic.

Worksheets provided throughout this pack have been designed to be visual and include a focus on 'doing' through a range of practical activities alongside more theoretical worksheets. There is a range of clear images and diagrams to support the students' understanding, which can also be used as a revision tool throughout the two-year course.

The pack contains four lessons, guided by the **teacher's overview page**, which highlights *timings, equipment required* and *guidance notes* for the activities that students receive. Each lesson then is inclusive of worksheets that include:

1. **Summary notes** – provide background knowledge and information on each subtopic to support students in completing the activities and give them a base to work from.
2. **Theoretical and practical tasks** – progressively build students' understanding of the topic step by step, introducing key terms and concepts individually before combining them as a whole. Tasks provide a variety of different approaches, and include individual, paired and small-group work. Each task is carefully instructed, allowing the students to be independent, and minimal input from the teacher is needed, allowing you to float between the groups and support students who need it. Optional extensions are also provided throughout – these can be supplied as in-class extension activities for the quicker learners or provided as homework.
3. **Top tips** – offer students key advice that can support knowledge retention and exam preparation.
4. **Questions to think about** – provide opportunities for in-class discussion springboards and encourage deeper thinking on the topic to stretch and challenge students.
5. **Practice exam-style questions** – expose students to the exam format for each subtopic and help them put their knowledge and understanding into practice.

Each lesson also contains **thought-provoking visual images and diagrams** to stimulate learners' interest and support their understanding of the tricky topic. Each worksheet is write-on and can be photocopied and handed out to students. The activities included require minimal equipment (except for the use of jelly babies in Lesson 4).



From the author

I am an experienced Head of Physical Education who has worked in London schools with a mix of ability students. I am also the Physical Education PGCE Lead Tutor at Roehampton University, and I use similar resources to the ones provided in this pack with my PGCE students to support their delivery of GCSE PE throughout schools in London. I would like to lay thanks to my previous GCSE classes who have gone through variations of these lessons in order to find clear and useable tasks to support their understanding of this section. Thank you!

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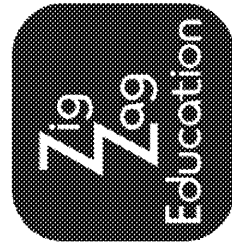
Teacher's Overview

This table provides an overall summary of how to use each worksheet in a lesson, providing time suggestions when setting students on each task. You may wish to hand these out for independent learning alongside the worksheets. The activities can be adapted to suit your own needs – these can be supported or extended as you see fit. Optional extensions are provided where possible – these can be supported or extended as you see fit. Provided as homework.

Topic no.	Spec reference and title	Time suggested	Resources needed	Activities
1	 <p>2.1.1 – First-, second- and third-class lever systems</p>	1 hour	Scissors Sticky notes	<p>5–10 mins: Discuss functions of levers</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 1) Support students answers as a group.</p> <p>10–15 mins: (Activity 2) Discuss how to explain how different combinations/objects can be used to support.</p> <p>15 mins: (Activity 3) Support students plantar flexion or dorsiflexion at the ankle.</p> <p>6 mins: (Activity 3) Students should complete the exam, so guide their time in the exam, so guide their time in the exam, so guide their time in the exam.</p> <p>(Optional) Extension: Students to practice (Exam-style questions) Student - 1 mark per minute</p>
2	<p>2.1.2 – Mechanical advantage</p> 	30 minutes		<p>5 mins: Recap lever systems, naming the advantage of each, levers, and explain the difference between them.</p> <p>7 mins: (Activity 1) Students to rearrange the objects into the space provided. Give students 1 mark per minute.</p> <p>4 mins: (Activity 2) Support students to justify their decisions in the exam.</p> <p>3 mins: (Activity 3) Support students in the exam.</p> <p>8 mins: (Activity 4) Draw and label lever systems.</p> <p>8 mins: (Exam-style questions) Student - 1 mark per minute</p>

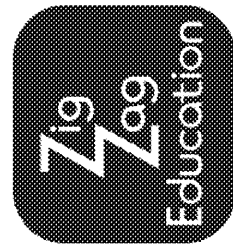
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Topic no.	Spec reference and title	Time suggestion	Equipment needed	
3	1.1.5 – Analysis of basic movements	1 hour		<p>5–10 mins: Introduction to, and discuss students to demonstrate the moves if possible</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 1) Support students in drawing</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 2) Choosing a sport, and drawing</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 3) Exam preparation of the movement. One student at a time to demonstrate the movement. Discuss what other sports they can think of that use the movement.</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 4) Exam preparation of the movement. One student at a time to demonstrate the movement. Discuss what other sports they can think of that use the movement.</p> <p>5 mins: (Exam-style questions) Student to prepare and answer questions. Student allotted 5 minutes</p>
4	2.2 – Planes and axes of movement	1 hour	<p>Jelly babies</p> <p>Blu Tack</p> <p>Cocktail sticks</p> <p>Scissors</p> <p>Card (or paper, if no card available) cut into 7 x 4 cm pieces</p>	<p>5–10 mins: Introduction to, and discuss to planes and axes of movement.</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 1) Students use jelly babies in the body. Support students in drawing that axis.</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 2) Support students in drawing</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 3) Students use Blu Tack to create the movement. Support students in drawing their diagrams and axes of movement.</p> <p>10 mins: (Activity 4) Support students in drawing</p> <p>(Optional) Extension: Students to prepare and answer questions. Student allotted 5 minutes</p>

Student Introduction

You may be familiar with the muscles and joints, but do you know how they work in sport? And do you know how different combinations of these can cause different effects on physical activity and sports performance?

Building on the topics of the musculoskeletal system, this pack will help you to develop your understanding of the principles of movement and their effect on performance. You will explore lever systems that play a part in movement and how each lever system has a different effect. You will analyse basic movement skills and identify how different sporting actions take place around different axes.

This 'Tricky Topics' pack will support you in becoming more competent in this topic and in the examination.

Each lesson in this pack covers a separate topic within **Topic 2 Movement analysis**. Each lesson has specific exercises to complete as part of your lessons, but if you're tackling a worksheet...

- read the information on the worksheet – this will give you a base to work from
- read the part of your textbook which covers this topic. (If you don't have a textbook, look for key words or concepts online.)
- work through the activities or questions in the order given. If you have the answer key, you can look at it before looking at the question.
- check your answers against the answer sheet, or hand in your work to your teacher.

Good luck!

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First-, second- and third-class levers

A lever is a bar that moves a load/resistance when a force is applied to it. In our body, bones act as levers, and muscles act as the effort. When the muscles contract, they pull the bones, which act as the fulcrum, typically a joint. There are **three different types of lever system** in our body, which allow different types of movement to occur, as you will discover later.

The functions of the lever systems in the body are:

1. to multiply a force to move a large load
2. to increase the speed of body movement



All lever systems are similar in that each consists of a **load**, an **effort** and a **fulcrum**, which categorises which of the three types of lever system is being used.

			
Any weight that needs to be moved. Also called resistance.	The force needed to move the load (weight)		The
e.g. body weight or the weight of an object	e.g. the muscle (at the point of insertion on the bone)		re
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Activity 1 (individual)

In your exam you will be expected to draw basic drawings of these components and movements in order to identify which lever system is being used.

For each of the terms below, identify whether it would show the load, the effort or the fulcrum, the relevant component to represent this. One has been done for you.

Biceps	Shot	Ankle joint
		
Knee joint	Body weight	Gastrocnemius
		
Quadriceps	Basketball	Tibialis anterior

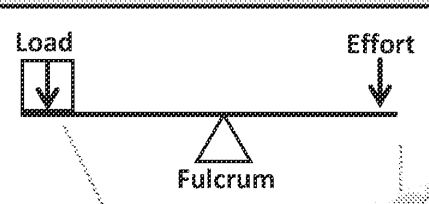
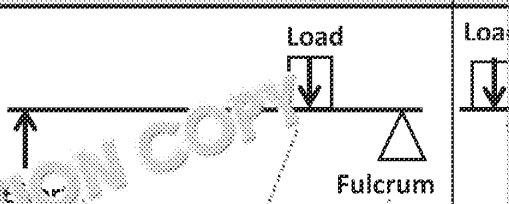

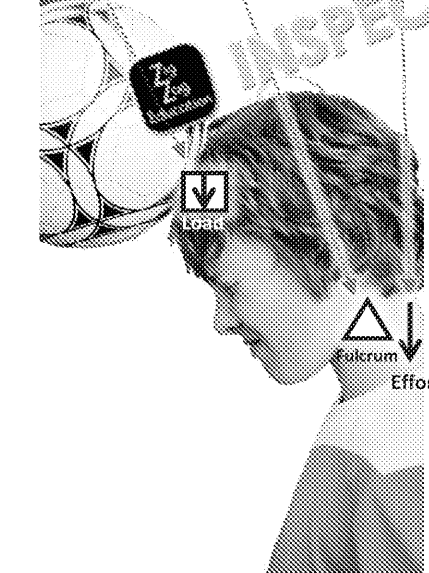
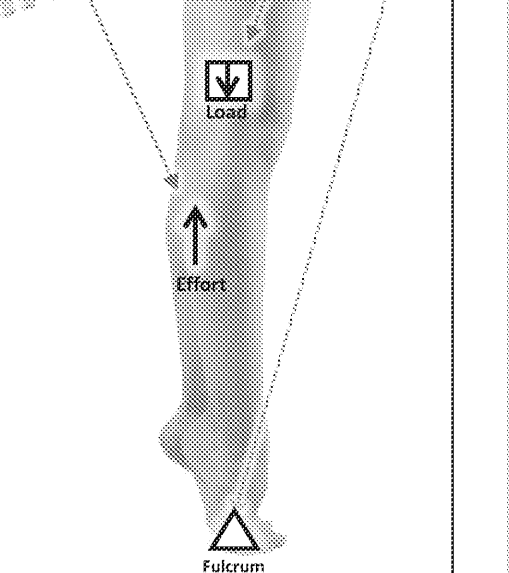
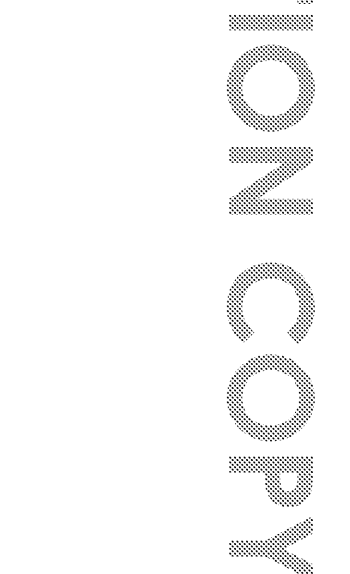
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The components mentioned (fulcrum, effort and load) will be put together to form one of three lever systems, as shown below. This uses the bar that was mentioned with the fulcrum along it.

Top tip: You will be required to link correct lever systems to specific movements in exam questions. However, you will not need to draw the anatomy.

First-class lever system	Second-class lever system	Third-class lever system
		
		
<p>Load = football / weight of head Fulcrum = neck joint Effort = neck muscles (during flexion and extension)</p>	<p>Load = weight of the body Fulcrum = (metatarsophalangeal*) joint / ball of the foot Effort = gastrocnemius muscle (during plantar flexion)</p>	<p>Load = weight of the hand Effort = biceps muscle Fulcrum = elbow joint Flexion</p>

*Not required knowledge. You can state the ball of the foot.

Top tip: Memorise the rhyme '1, 2, 3, F, L, E'. F, L and E are the components which are found at the centre of the first-, second- and third-class lever systems respectively.

Question: How do the components of a lever system work together to produce movement?

Notice how the fulcrum is always in the middle. The load and effort are always on opposite sides of the fulcrum. The fulcrum is always in the middle. The load and effort are always on opposite sides of the fulcrum. To work this out you should draw a linear diagram like a see-saw. In the first-class lever system the effort is applied downwards to keep the load up on the other end so the 'see-saw' is balanced. In the second- and third-class lever systems the effort is applied upwards to keep the load up and the 'see-saw' balanced.

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Activity 2 (group)

Get into groups of three and cut out the labels below (or draw them onto four sets of paper). In turns, one of you should replicate/mime a sporting example, and the other two should stick the labels onto the individual to locate each component of the lever. Can you then classify the lever?

Swap roles and repeat. Complete three sporting examples each with a focus on flexion at the elbow or knee and plantar flexion or dorsiflexion of the ankle.

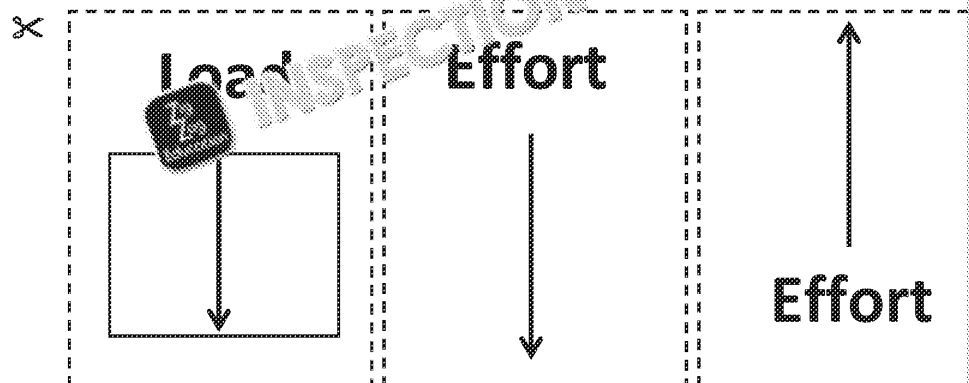
Fill in the table below to record your answers.

Sporting example	Fulcrum	Effort	Load	Line of action
				



Top tip: You may be asked to draw the basic diagram of the three classifications of lever system. You must be able to label clearly the fulcrum, load and resistance.

Question: For each example, write the advantages and disadvantages of the lever system.

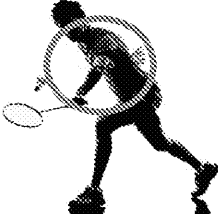

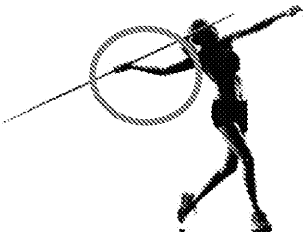



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Activity 3 (individual)

In your exam you may be asked to identify a lever system being used from a given image to draw a fully labelled diagram. For each of the following sporting movements, identify the lever system and draw the image.

<p>Lever system operating at the elbow during a badminton backhand</p> 	<p>Lever system:</p>	<p>Linear drawing:</p>
<p>Lever system operating at the knee when kicking a football</p> 	<p>Lever system:</p>	<p>Linear drawing:</p>
<p>Lever system operating at the elbow in a javelin throw</p> 	<p>Lever system:</p>	<p>Linear drawing:</p>
<p>Lever system operating at the ankle when pushing off from the starting blocks at the beginning of the 100 m</p> 	<p>Lever system:</p>	<p>Linear drawing:</p>



Top tip: You must be able to label the resistance and effort arms on the three types of lever system.

You will be required to interpret sporting movements in relation to levers, which would include flexion, extension, plantar flexion and dorsiflexion.

Question
What movement is shown in the image?

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Extension activity

Time to practise! Can you identify the lever system operating at the following locations? There are no images, so you could practise by replicating the movements, as in Activity 1, and drawing representations of them on paper. Tick the lever system and justify your choice. You can also create your own.

Sporting action	Lever system (✓)			
	First-class	Second-class	Third-class	
Lever system at the elbow during a forehand tennis shot				
Lever system at the shoulder at the start of a pommel horse vault during the routine in gymnastics				
Lever system at the neck when watching the flight of the ball in a squash game				
Lever system at the knee when pushing off the starting blocks for 200 m				
Lever system at the ankle during the take-off from a springboard to start a dive				
Lever system at the elbow when throwing a javelin				
Lever system at the neck when moving into a forward roll in gymnastics				

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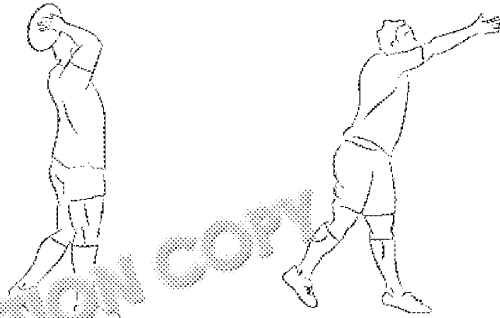
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Exam-style questions

1. Figure 1 shows a rugby player throwing a ball into a line-out.

Figure 1



- a) Identify the class of lever being used at the elbow.

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- b) Draw a diagram with labels to show this type of lever.



2. Which one of the following uses a third-class lever system?
- a) Extension at the neck in preparation to head a football
 - b) Flexion at the elbow to throw a javelin
 - c) Extension at the knee when running
 - d) Plantar flexion at the ankle to take off during a long jump

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Mechanical advantage of levers

Levers are designed efficiently to increase force production, i.e. they are designed to produce a force that is greater than the effort that is put in. The efficiency of a lever system is known as mechanical advantage.

The mechanical advantage of each lever system is dependent on the relationship between two distances:

1. The distance between the fulcrum and the load – known as the resistance arm
2. The distance between the fulcrum and the effort – known as the effort arm

A **second-class lever** system has a **high mechanical advantage** due to its having a long effort arm and a short resistance arm. Second-class levers can move relatively large loads with a small effort.

A **first-class lever system**, if it has the fulcrum positioned between the load and the effort, also has a mechanical advantage if the effort arm is longer than the load/resistance arm. However, this is not always the case. First-class levers also work at a mechanical disadvantage if the fulcrum is closer to the effort than the load.

A **third-class lever system** always works at a **mechanical disadvantage** as the load/resistance arm is longer than the effort arm. The muscles must exert more force than the weight of the load opposing it. Third-class levers are most common in the body and allow us to move loads with a greater range of motion.

Question

Which lever system has the greatest mechanical advantage and why? Consider the relationship between the effort and resistance arms in each lever system.

Activity 1 (pairs)

The mechanical advantage (or disadvantage) can be summarised with an equation given below, discuss with a partner which order you would put them in to create the equation, and then justify whether there is a mechanical advantage. Then, underneath, justify why you put them in that order.



Top tip: Your answer to the equation would indicate whether there is a mechanical advantage or a disadvantage. If you get an answer that is less than 1, it is a disadvantage.

=	<i>Load/resistance arm</i>	<i>Mechanical advantage</i>	÷
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Equation for mechanical advantage:

Justification for equation:

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Once you have checked your answer, be sure to write the correct answer here:

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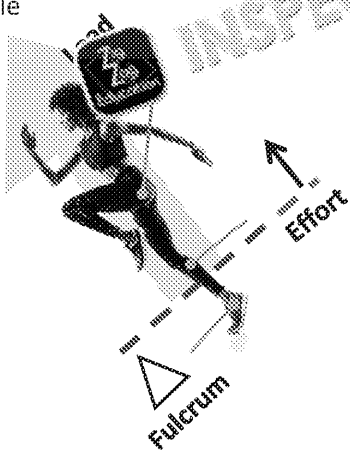
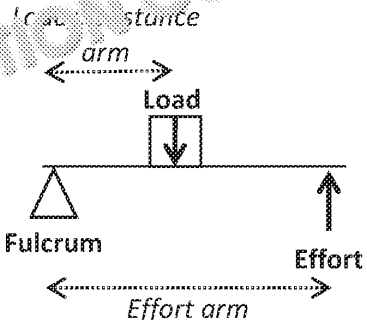



Activity 2 (pairs)

Discuss the following sporting movements with your partner. Label the lever system, then label the load/resistance arm and effort arm of the lever. Draw the lever system, the mechanical advantage or disadvantage of that lever. One has been completed.



Top tip: Don't always look at the image straight on. Consider viewing from different angles. See how the line of the lever in the first example is diagonal to movement and effort.

	Linear drawing and explanation	dis
<p>At the start of the 100 m sprint the runner applies a large force to the ground through their ankle.</p> 	 <p>This is a second-class lever as the load (bodyweight) is centred between the fulcrum (ankle joint) and effort (gastrocnemius muscle) to cause plantar flexion at the ankle.</p>	<p>The than</p> <p>This advantage being arm gives large the s from</p>
<p>A football player flexes the left knee in preparation for a shot.</p> 		

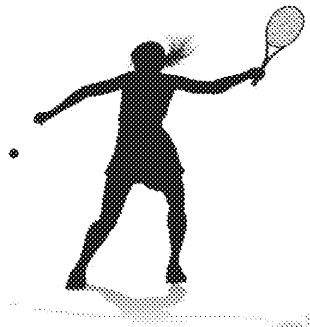
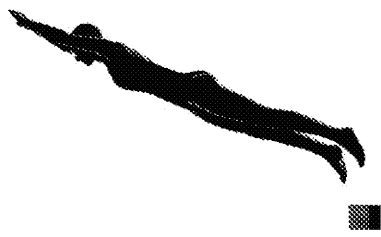


Top tip: When describing the lever, you need to compare the load and effort arms of that lever and explain why that is important!

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	Linear drawing and explanation	di
<p>Lever system at the elbow during a tennis player's movement towards the ball to perform a forehand stroke</p> 		
<p>Lever system at the ankle when a swimmer pushes off from the starting block</p> 		

Activity 3 (individual)

In order to understand questions on 'mechanical advantage' you need make sure you know what the term means. Without using your notes, write down your understanding of the terms and how the systems operate at a mechanical advantage/disadvantage. Then, check your answers and make any required changes in a different coloured pen to ensure thorough understanding. You should know whether you are correct.


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Top tip: Remember the location of the fulcrum in a first-class lever system can influence the mechanical advantage.

Question
Can you identify the different...



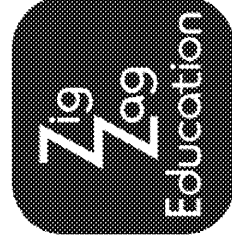
Activity 4 (individual)

Now let's put everything together. Complete the table below to draw and label each lever system, including describe each lever using a sporting example that uses each lever system, before explaining whether it suitable justification.

Class of lever	Drawing of joint (include effort arm and load/resistance arms)	Sporting example (describe the lever using a sporting example)
First-class lever		
Second-class lever		
Third-class lever		

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Exam-style questions

Complete the following exam-style questions to practise what you have learnt.

- Which one of the following best describes mechanical advantage of a lever?
 - Allows a large load to be moved with little effort
 - Allows a large range of motion with little effort
 - Allows powerful movements with a lot of effort
 - Allows a large load to be moved with no effort
- Figure 1** shows a netball player using the elbow joint during the execution phase. This is said to work at a mechanical disadvantage.



- Explain the term 'mechanical disadvantage'.

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- Levers are made up of different parts. Complete the table to state the effort and load at the ankle joint when

Fulcrum	Ball of foot
Effort	
Load	

- Explain levers that are considered to have a mechanical disadvantage a

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Analysis of basic movement

Basic movement analysis is linked closely to mechanical advantage and lever systems. This section provides more detail to the movement analysis required in the examination. At all joints in the body, a range of movement is produced; the types of movement available are listed and defined below. They are often paired off due to movements occurring in opposite directions.

- **Flexion:** decreasing an angle at the joint
- **Extension:** increasing the angle at the joint
- **Abduction:** movement away from the midline of the body
- **Adduction:** movement towards the midline of the body
- **Rotation:** movement around an axis
- **Circumduction:** combination of shoulder movements so that the hand creates a circle
- **Plantar flexion:** increasing the angle at the ankle by pointing the toes downwards
- **Dorsiflexion:** decreasing the angle at the ankle by pulling the toes upward

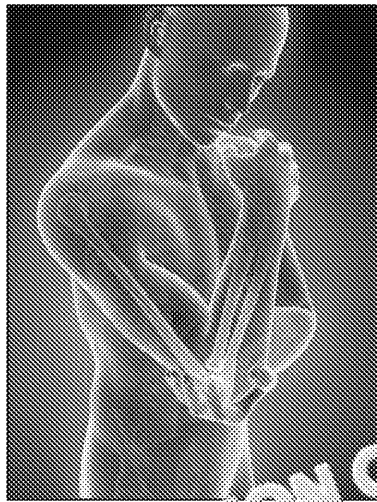
  Tip: You need to be able to apply your knowledge of anatomy and physiology along with this section. Make sure you reread your notes on these sections!

Question
What movements can be performed at the elbow and knee joints?

Activity 1 (pairs)

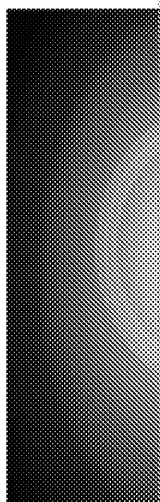
In pairs, discuss the joints in the pictures below. Take it in turns to move the required joint, list the range of movement available at that joint

Elbow joint



Movements that can be performed:

Knee joint



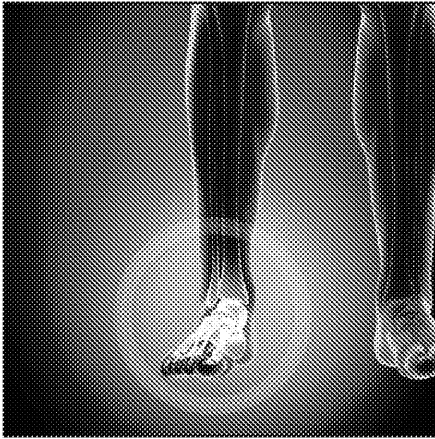
Movements that can be performed:

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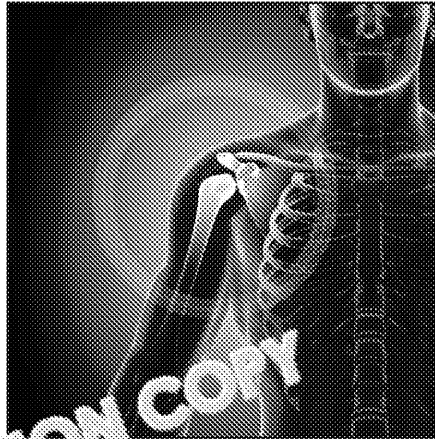
Ankle joint



Movements that can be performed:



Shoulder joint



Movements that can be performed:

In an exam you will be required to analyse the movement of a sportsperson competing in a sport. To gain the maximum number of marks you will need to link the anatomy and physiology to the movement available within your answers.



Top tip: ANALYSE: to examine something methodically and in detail in order to explain and interpret it.

Question

Can you identify the muscle groups involved in the movement and check their function?

For example: **Sport:** *Badminton*

Action	Movement analysis
Running to return the shuttle	<p>Hip joint (ball-and-socket joint): The hip undergoes flexion. This involves the contraction of the muscles of the upper leg and the core. This is caused by the contraction of the muscles of the lower leg, which undergoes extension, increasing the angle between the upper and lower leg. The gluteals working agonistically to pull the leg backwards.</p> <p>Knee joint (hinge joint): The knee flexes due to the contraction of the muscles of the upper leg. The hamstring relaxes because they work as an agonist. The contraction of the quadriceps at the knee in preparation for the next stroke.</p>
Overhead clear	<p>Shoulder joint (ball-and-socket joint): The shoulder extends using the trapezioids to bring arm backwards in preparation for the overhead clear. The deltoids (by moving the arm away from the midline) and the latissimus dorsi (by moving the arm up and above the head in preparation to hit the shuttle). One of the muscles of the shoulder uses the latissimus dorsi as the agonist to perform extension.</p> <p>Elbow joint (hinge joint): Flexes due to the biceps contracting on the upper arm. The triceps then starts to contract to extend the joint and hit the shuttle at its highest point. Once the shuttle has been hit, the triceps relaxes and the elbow during the downward swing of the arm.</p>

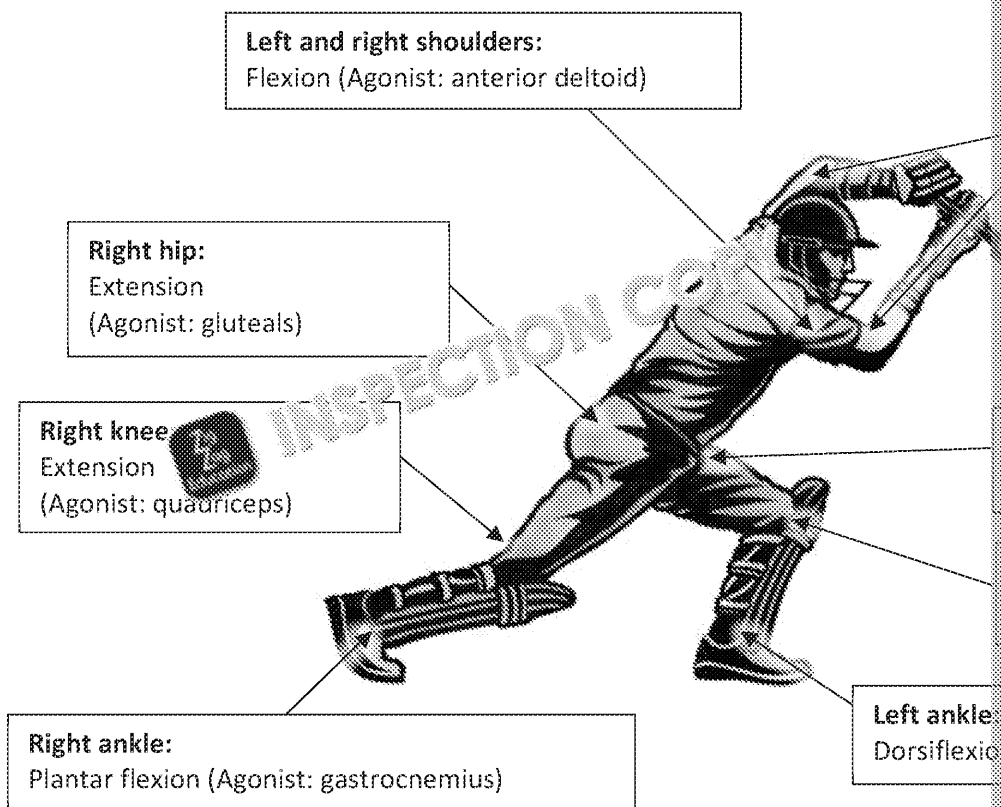
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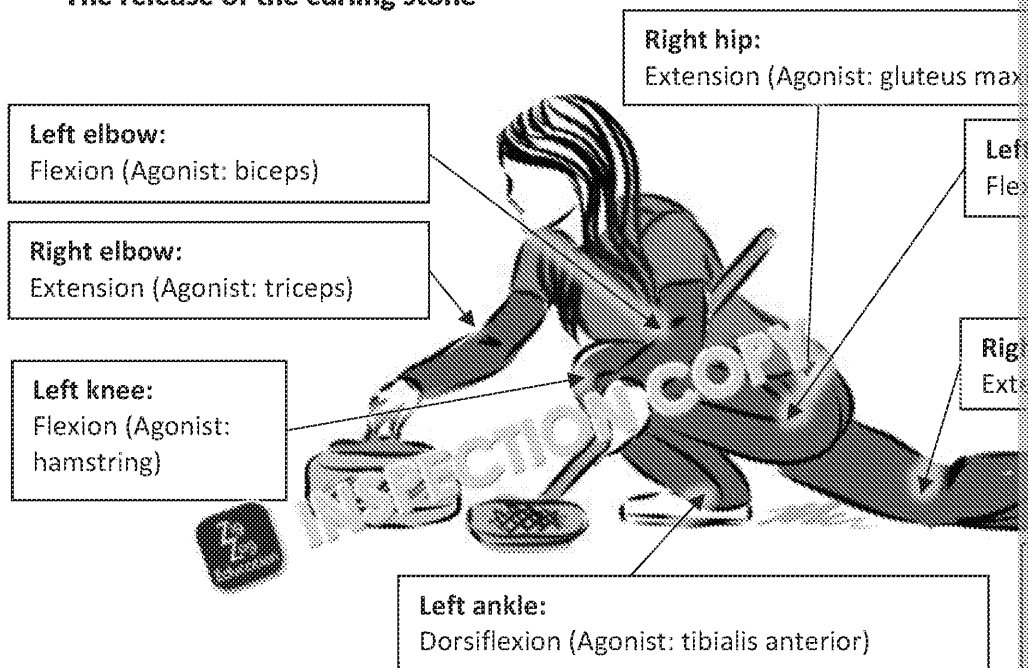


Sometimes seeing the movements being performed is a lot clearer. Let's take a look at the images below.

Batting in cricket



The release of the curling stone



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Activity 2 (groups or pairs)

Now it's your turn! Pick a sport, analyse the movements at the joints during specified actions and record your findings in the table.



Top tip: Remember to ANALYSE (see definition on p. 16) and then record your findings in that action.

Sport: _____

Action	Movement analysis



Top tip: Perform the movements yourself. You will always have to perform the movements in the exam.

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Activity 3 (pairs)

Exam preparation 1

In pairs, take it in turns to complete a slow press-up. While your partner is completing the press-up, ask the questions below in order to analyse the movement. Write your analysis in the box.

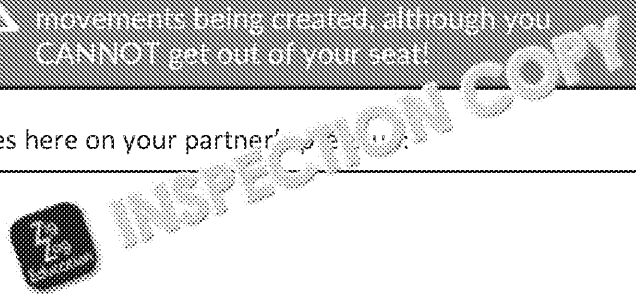
1. What muscles are being used in the press-up?
2. What movement is created (where, and during what phase of the press-up)?



Top tip: While seated during the exam, you CAN move your limbs to help you identify the movements being created, although you CANNOT get out of your seat!

Question
What other movements are created during the press-up?

Make notes here on your partner's press-up:



Compare your notes to those of your partner. Add points that you may have missed.

Activity 4 (individual)

Exam preparation 2

During your exam you will be required to analyse movements in a variety of sports. Identify the movement in the most common denominator in sport: leg action when running. Use the questions in preparation 1 to help you break down what you are looking for.

Make your notes here:



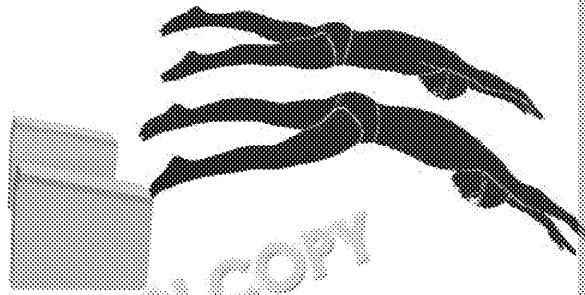
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Exam-style questions

Complete the following exam-style questions to practise what you have learnt.

Figure 1



1. Using Figure 1, identify the joint movements at the hip and ankle of the right

Hip:

Ankle:

2. a) Define the term 'rotation'.

.....

- b) Give an example of when rotation would be used in sport.

.....

3. Complete the table to state the role of each muscle in allowing movement.

Muscle	Role in allowing movement
Deltoids	
Triceps	
Gastrocnemius	

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Planes and axes of movement

This section looks at the imaginary planes and axes of movement that run through the body that are used during sporting actions. You will need to be able to explain what plane or axis is being used in your exam questions.

There are three types of plane and three types of axis that you need to know, and we will go through these in the activities below.

 **Top tip:** 'Axes' is just the plural of the word 'axis'.

Question
How many planes and axes are there?

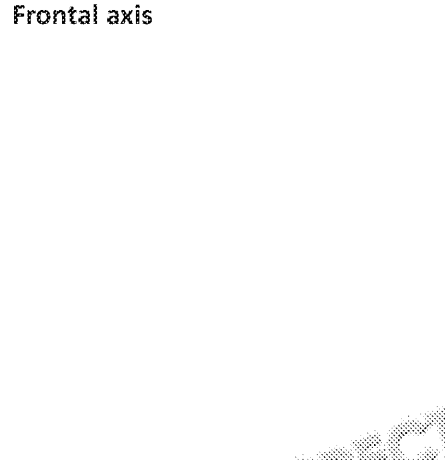
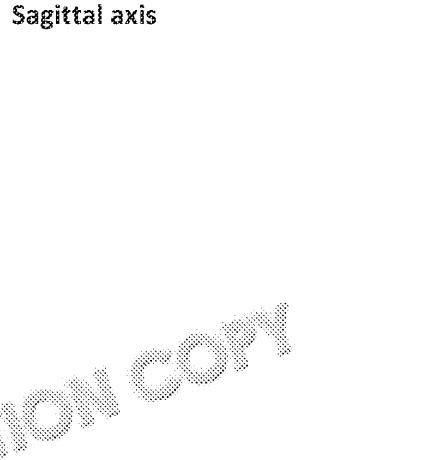

There are three types of plane that create movements such as somersaults, cartwheels and handstands.

- **Frontal axis:** line going through the hips (left to right)
- **Sagittal axis:** line going through the belly button (front to back)
- **Vertical axis:** line going through the top of the head to the toe (top to bottom)

Activity 1 (pairs)

Using your Jelly Babies and cocktail stick:
Pick one of the axes and carefully push the cocktail stick through the jelly baby to see what movements it can create. Check with your teacher that it looks the same as their jelly baby. Draw a diagram of it in one of the labelled boxes below. Hold the top and bottom fingers and spin the jelly baby – what movements would that create? You are looking for rotations and pirouettes!

Complete the activity for all three axes.

Frontal axis	Sagittal axis	Vertical axis
		
Movement created:	Movement created:	Movement created:

 **Top tip:** Planes and axes are paired!

Question to think about
Each axis is linked to a plane. Explain the link between them and explain how they are used in sport.


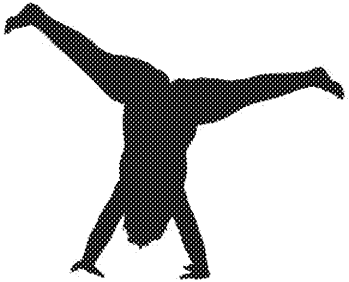
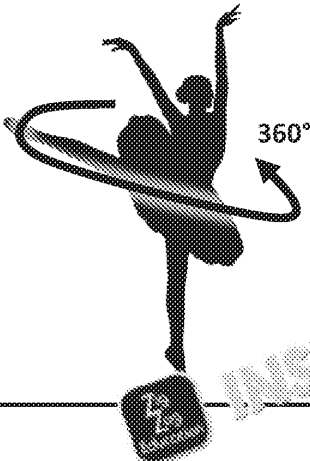
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Activity 2 (individual)

Look at the pictures in the table below. Name the movement and then name the decision by describing the movement that is being created on that axis. Try to complete the previous task. Once completed, check through your previous task and notes for any necessary changes if you made any mistakes.

Picture of movement	Name of movement	
		
		
		


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There are three types of plane in which a range of movements can take place!

- **Transverse plane:** passes through the middle of the body, dividing the body into top and bottom. Movements such as rotation are created on this plane.
- **Sagittal plane:** passes vertically through the body, dividing the body into left and right. Movements such as flexion and extension are created on this plane.
- **Frontal plane:** passes vertically through the body, dividing the body into front and back. Movements such as abduction and adduction are created on this plane.



Top tip: Movements such as a biceps curl, kicking a ball, star jumps and discus throw all work on planes of movement!

Question
Can you think of one movement for each of the three planes?

Activity (Pairs)

Using your Blu Tack and rectangular piece of card:
Pick one of the planes and stick a piece of Blu Tack (which represents the body) on the card. Holding the card, move the 'body'. In what direction are you moving the body to the description. Show your partner and see whether it looks the same as theirs. If the plane is correct and then draw a diagram of it in one of the labelled boxes below.

Complete the activity for all three planes.

<p>Transverse plane</p>	<p>Sagittal plane</p>	<p>Frontal plane</p>
<p>Movement(s) created:</p>	<p>Movement(s) created:</p>	<p>Movement(s) created:</p>

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Activity 4 (individual)

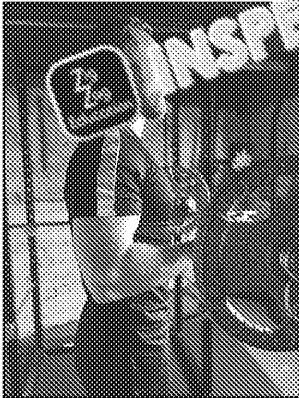

Look at the pictures in the table below. In the second column, describe the movement is using and justify your decision. Try to complete this without looking at the previous check through your previous task and notes to ensure it is correct. Make any necessary corrections.



Top tip: When describing the movement, name the muscles involved too!

Question 6

What lever system is used?
Draw the linear mechanical advantage.

Picture of movement	Plane and justification
	
	
	



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Extension Activity

Time to practise! Try identifying both the planes and axes on the following skills

Movement	Plane	Axis	
<i>A forward roll in gymnastics</i>			
<i>A gymnast abducting the shoulders on the rings</i>			
 <i>Kicking a rugby ball</i>			
<i>A full twist jump in trampolining</i>			
<i>A ballet dancer performing the splits</i>			
<i>A goalkeeper raising the arms to the side to make a save</i>			
 <i>Performing a drive shot on goal</i>			

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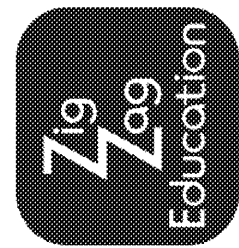
Activity 5 (pairs)

Complete the table below linking the planes and axes with the range of movements they produce. Check with your teacher!

Plane	Type of movement	Sporting example	Axis

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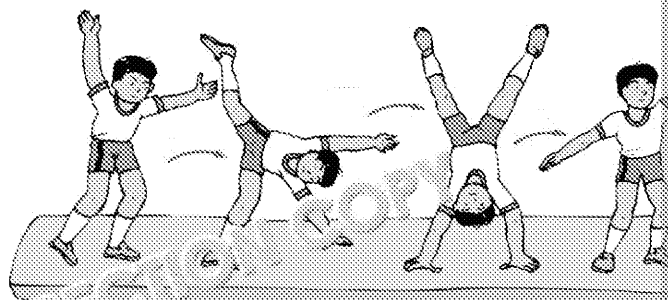


Exam-style questions

Complete the following exam-style questions to practise what you have learnt.

1. **Figure 1** shows a gymnast completing a cartwheel during their floor routine.

Figure 1



- a) Complete the table to state the plane and axis in which a cartwheel takes place.

	Plane	Axis
Cartwheel		

- b) The gymnast wants to transition into a front tucked somersault.

Complete the table to state the plane and axis in which a front tucked somersault takes place.

	Plane	Axis
Front tucked somersault		

- c) Identify the plane and the axis about which a 360° pirouette takes place.

- Frontal plane and sagittal axis
- Sagittal plane and frontal axis
- Transverse plane and vertical axis
- Vertical plane and frontal axis

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Answer Section

First-, second- and third-class lever systems

Activity 1

Students to draw correct drawings for each as follows:

Biceps = effort	Shot = load	Ankle joint = fulcrum
Knee joint = fulcrum	Body weight = load	Gastrocnemius = effort
Quadriceps = effort	Basketball = load	Tibialis anterior = effort

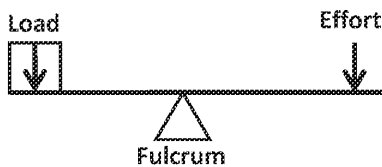
Activity 2

Student's answers will vary depending on which sporting movements they choose. Student levers as the most common one is found in the table.

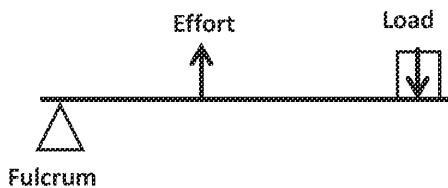
Activity 3

Student's drawings should be representative of the relevant lever.

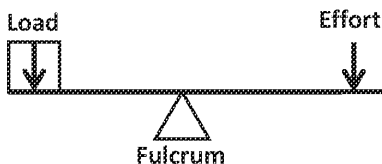
Badminton backhand (forearm): first-class lever (effort: triceps, fulcrum: elbow joint, load: racket head)



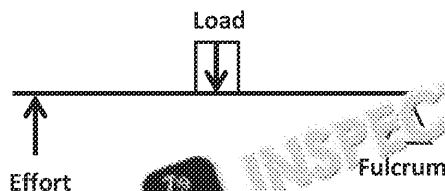
Football strike: third-class lever (fulcrum: knee joint, effort: quadriceps, load: football)



Javelin throw: first-class lever (load: javelin, fulcrum: elbow joint, effort: biceps)



Sprint start (ankle): second-class lever (fulcrum: ankle joint, effort: gastrocnemius, load: body weight)



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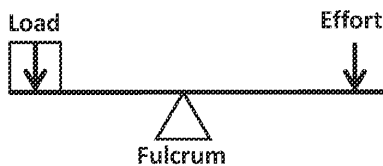


Extension activity

Sporting action	Lever system (✓)			
	First-class	Second-class	Third-class	
Lever system at the elbow during a forehand tennis shot			✓	The effort undergoes flexion in the middle of the load (ball)
Lever system at the ankle at the start of a somersault during the floor routine in gymnastics		✓		The effort to undergo resistance (ball of foot) is before the effort (gas)
Lever system at the neck when watching the flight of the ball in a squash game				The effort to look up is in the middle of the load
Lever system at the knee when pushing off during a 200 m sprint			✓	The effort to push the body off the ground is at the knee is the load
Lever system at the ankle during the take-off from a springboard to start a dive		✓		The effort to undergo resistance (ball of foot) is before the effort (gas)
Lever system at the elbow when throwing a javelin	✓			The effort to extend the arm is in the middle of the load (the javelin)
Lever system at the neck when moving into a forward roll in gymnastics	✓			The effort to look down is in the middle of the load

Exam-style questions

- Award 1 mark for identifying the type of lever (AO1)
 - First-class lever (N.B. Extension at the elbow the effort is created by the contraction of the biceps. The fulcrum is between the effort and the load).
 - Award 2 marks for drawing a fully labelled diagram, up to 2 marks (AO2)



- Correct order of components (load, fulcrum, effort)
- Correct drawing of a lever system

Answer: First-class lever (instead of load). Accept if drawing is reversed.

- Award 1 mark for the correct answer (AO2)
 - Extension at the knee when running

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Mechanical advantage of lever systems

Activity 1

Correct equation for mechanical advantage:

Mechanical advantage = Effort arm ÷ Resistance arm

Justification:

The efficiency of a lever is calculated by the difference between the effort arm and the resistance arm. Then determine whether the lever has a mechanical advantage or a mechanical disadvantage.

Activity 2

Support students to label the three images using effort arm, load/resistance arm.

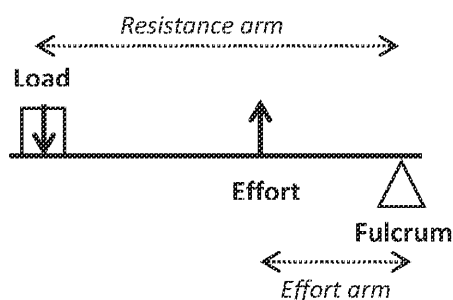
The picture of the sprinter has been completed for you for the second-class lever.

Footballer preparing to strike the ball: third-class lever

Students to label the picture:

- Fulcrum: knee joint
- Load/resistance: weight of lower leg
- Effort: hamstring (causing flexion at the knee)

Linear drawing of a third-class lever with the effort and resistance arms labelled (accepted)



Justification:

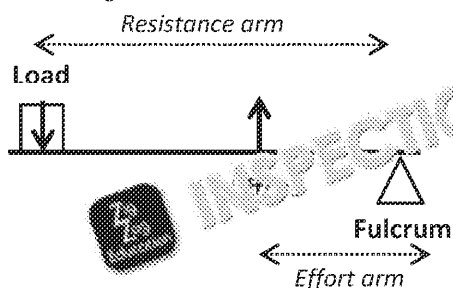
This lever has a mechanical disadvantage as the effort arm is shorter than the resistance arm. This means we can move the load further and faster so the movement is powerful and through.

Tennis player getting ready to strike the ball: third-class lever

Students to label the picture:

- Fulcrum: elbow joint
- Effort: biceps (causing flexion at the elbow)
- Load/resistance: impact of ball and racquet

Linear drawing of a third-class lever with the effort and resistance arms labelled (accepted)



Justification:

This lever has mechanical disadvantage as the effort arm is shorter than the resistance arm. This means we can move the load further and faster, so when the racquet impacts the ball it moves the ball further/faster.

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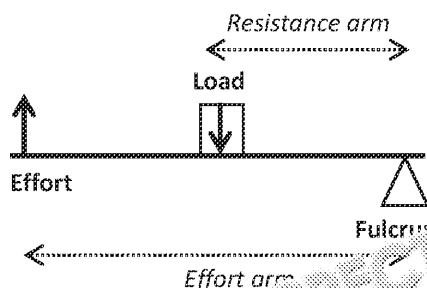


Swimmer pushing off from the starting block: second-class lever

Students to label the picture:

- Fulcrum: metatarsophalangeal joint (ball of foot)
- Effort: gastrocnemius
- Load/resistance: body weight

Linear drawing of a second-class lever with the effort and resistance arms labelled (accept)



Justification:

The resistance arm is shorter than the effort arm, meaning this has a high mechanical advantage meaning you are able to lift a heavier load (e.g. body weight) with relatively little effort. It requires little effort from the gastrocnemius muscle to cause plantar flexion at the ankle.

Activity 3

Support students overall summary of mechanical advantage/disadvantage:

Mechanical advantage relates to the efficiency of a lever system and is dependent on the resistance, usually calculated by effort ÷ weight (resistance).

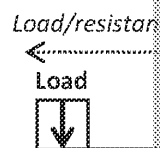
- If the effort arm is longer than the load/resistance arm, it is said to have a high mechanical advantage meaning you are able to lift large loads with relatively little effort. This can be seen in second-class lever systems where the fulcrum is closer to the load.
- If the load/resistance arm is longer than the effort arm it is said to have a mechanical disadvantage meaning you are lifting large loads. It has a low load to force ratio. However, they allow for a greater range of motion and allows for speed of the lever system.

Activity 4

Check the table to ensure both the drawing and the description are correct for the joint identified in the sporting examples.

First-class lever – e.g. elbow when using the triceps (as in a throw-in for football or rugby)

- **Elbow description**
 - Fulcrum – elbow
 - Effort – triceps
 - Load – weight or object in the hand
- **Neck description**
 - Fulcrum – neck
 - Effort – trapezius
 - Load – weight of the head



Mechanical advantage or mechanical disadvantage:

The fulcrum is located in the middle of the resistance and the effort. The length of the load/resistance arm is dependent on the joint and type of movement. If the fulcrum is closer to the load, the effort has a mechanical advantage. If the fulcrum is closer to the effort it will have a longer load/resistance arm and a mechanical disadvantage.

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Second-class lever – e.g. ankle during plantar flexion during a vertical jump in basketball

- **Ankle description**
 - **Fulcrum** – ball of foot
 - **Effort** – gastrocnemius
 - **Load** – weight of the body

Mechanical advantage:

The fulcrum is at the end of the linear drawing with a longer effort arm than the load/resistance arm. With the effort arm being longer, this means that it has a high mechanical advantage and can move a large load with little effort.



Third-class lever – elbow / knee flexion and extension

- **Elbow description:**
 - **Fulcrum** – elbow
 - **Effort** – biceps
 - **Load** – weight in hands
- **Knee description**
 - **Fulcrum** – knee
 - **Effort** – quadriceps
 - **Load** – foot / lower leg



Mechanical disadvantage:

Third-class levers are the most common type of lever in the body and are involved in the shorter effort arm compared to the load/resistance arm, meaning they are at a mechanical disadvantage has a low load force-to-effort ratio, meaning you cannot lift heavy loads but through a large range of motion and with power.

Exam-style questions

1. Award 1 mark for the correct answer (AO1)
 - a) Allows a large load to be moved with little effort
2. a) Any 2 marks from (AO1):
 - This is a third-class lever, where the effort arm is shorter than the load/resistance arm, meaning they are at a mechanical disadvantage has a low load force-to-effort ratio, meaning you cannot lift heavy loads but through a large range of motion and with power.
 - The load/resistance arm is longer than the effort arm as it is further from the fulcrum, meaning you cannot lift heavy loads but through a large range of motion and with power.
- b) Award 2 marks for the correct identification of each component part of the lever

Fulcrum	Ball of foot
Effort	Gastrocnemius (1)
Load	Body weight (1)

3. Award 2 marks for a correct comparison of effort and resistance arm followed by Sub-max 1 mark (comparison):
 - Shorter effort arm than resistance arm
 - Mechanical advantage/disadvantage = Effort arm ÷ Resistance arm or load
- Sub-max 1 mark (importance):
 - Third-class lever systems allow powerful and quick movements
 - Third-class lever systems allow greater range of movement/motion

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Analysis of basic movements

Activity 1

Ensure correct movements are linked to the joints.

- **Elbow** – flexion, extension
- **Knee** – flexion, extension
- **Ankle** – plantar flexion, dorsiflexion
- **Shoulder** – flexion, extension, abduction, adduction, rotation
- **Hip** – flexion, extension, abduction, adduction

Activity 2

Student's answers will depend on the choice of sport and movement. Use the two examples and annotated examples to support the student's descriptions.

Activity 3

Analysis of a press-up

- During the downward phase (lowering) of a press-up:
 - The elbow flexes, decreasing the angle at the joint
 - The biceps (agonist) is contracting, the triceps (antagonist) is relaxing
 - While the shoulder is extended, increasing the angle at the joint
 - The pectorals (agonist) are contracting, the latissimus dorsi (antagonist) is relaxing
- During the upward phase of a press-up:
 - The elbow extends, extending the angle at the elbow joint
 - The triceps (agonist) is contracting, the biceps (antagonist) is relaxing
 - The pectorals (agonist) are contracting, the latissimus dorsi (antagonist) is relaxing

Activity 4

Analysis of the leg when running:

There are three key joints to think about when writing about leg action when running with

1. The drive phase:
 - The hip extends (and hyperextends) using the gluteus maximus muscles and the hamstrings.
 - The knee extends using the quadriceps.
 - The ankle plantar flexes using the gastrocnemius.
2. The recovery phase:
 - The hip flexes using the hip flexors* (iliopsoas).
 - The knee flexes due to the hamstrings.
 - The ankle undergoes dorsiflexion due to the contraction of the tibialis anterior.

Exam-style questions

1. Award 1 mark per correct answer (AO2)
 - Hip: extension (straightening the leg)
 - Ankle: plantar flexion (increasing the angle between the top of the foot and the leg)
2. a) Award 1 mark for the definition
 - Rotation is the movement around an axis
 b) Award 1 mark for a reasonable example
 - An example of rotation can be seen at the shoulder when bowling in cricket. NB: any other correct sporting example of rotation
3. Award 1 mark for each role:

Muscle	Role in allowing movement
Deltoids	Allows abduction at the shoulder
Triceps	Allows extension at the elbow
Gluteus maximus	Allows extension at the hip

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Planes and axes of movement

Activity 1

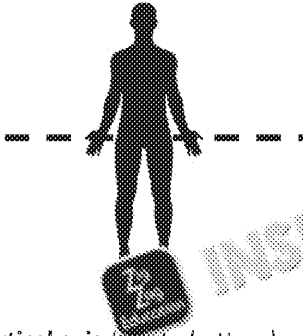
Look at the students' jelly babies and see whether the cocktail stick has been inserted in the correct movement around the intended axis.

Frontal axis (*side to side*)

Movement created: extension, flexion

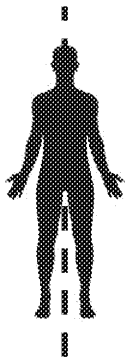
Sagittal Axis (*front to back*)

Movement created: abduction



Vertical axis (*top to bottom*)

Movement created: rotation



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Activity 2

Picture	Name of movement	Axis and justification
1	Back somersault	This takes place on the frontal axis as the rotation is line through the sides
2	Cartwheel	This takes place on the sagittal axis as the rotation is line going through the belly button
3	Pirouette	This takes place around the vertical axis as the rotation is imaginary line going through the top of the head

Activity 3

Students are required to stick Blu Tack onto the front face of the rectangular card to movement that can be created on the planes.

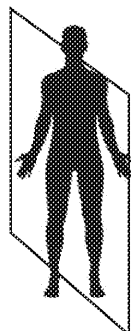
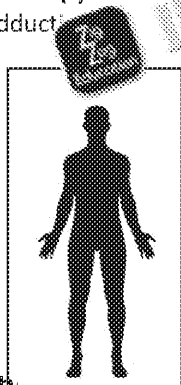
Frontal plane (*divides front and back*)

Movement(s) created: abduction and adduction

Sagittal plane (*divides left and right*)

Movement(s) created: extension and flexion

Transverse plane
and
Medial plane



Activity 4

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Students to work on their own and name the pictured movement and the plane it takes place in to justify their choice.

Picture	Name of movement	Plane and justify
1	Biceps curl	Sagittal plane as the movement created in a flexion and extension at the elbow joints
2	Side kick (karate)	Frontal plane as the movement created by moving away from and then towards the midline of the body
3	Discus throw	Transverse plane as the discus thrower is required to rotate in their throw

Extension activity

Students to work on their own and name the pictured movement and the plane it takes place in to justify their choice.

Movement	Plane	Axis	Justification
A forward roll in gymnastics	Sagittal	Frontal	Forward roll requires flexion and extension around the frontal axis.
A gymnast abducting their shoulders	Frontal	Sagittal	The deltoid and trapezius muscles contract to move the shoulder on the frontal plane.
Kicking a rugby ball	Sagittal	Frontal	The gluteals contract causing the leg to move back on the sagittal plane, bringing the leg forward to the frontal axis.
A full twist jump in trampolining	Transverse	Vertical	The full twist is around the vertical axis while in flight by momentum.
A ballet dancer performing the splits	Sagittal	Frontal	The gluteals contract causing one leg to move back on the sagittal plane. This takes place on the frontal axis.
A goalkeeper raising their arms to the side to make a save	Frontal	Sagittal	The deltoid and trapezius muscles contract to move the shoulder on the frontal plane.
Performing a drive shot in golf	Transverse	Vertical	The rotation of the shoulder and the swinging of the golf club is around the vertical axis.

Activity 5

Students are required to work on their own and to complete the table linking the axes and planes of movement.

Plane	Direction of movement	Sporting example	Axis	Justification
Sagittal	Flexion, extension	Biceps curl	Frontal	Flexion and extension
Frontal	Abduction, adduction	Star jump	Sagittal	Abduction and adduction
Transverse	Rotation	Pirouette	Vertical	Rotation

Exam-style questions

1. a) Award 1 mark for the correct plane and 1 mark for the correct axis (AO2)

	Plane	Axis
Cartwheel	Frontal (1)	Sagittal (1)

b) Award 1 mark for the correct plane and 1 mark for the correct axis (AO2)

	Plane	Axis
Front tucked somersault	Sagittal (1)	Frontal (1)

2. Award 1 mark for (AO1):

- c) Transverse plane and longitudinal axis

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