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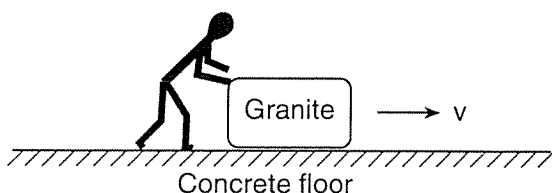
Part A

Answer all questions in this part.

Directions (1–35): For each statement or question, write on the separate answer sheet, the number of the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 1 Which is a vector quantity?  
 (1) distance (3) power  
 (2) speed (4) force

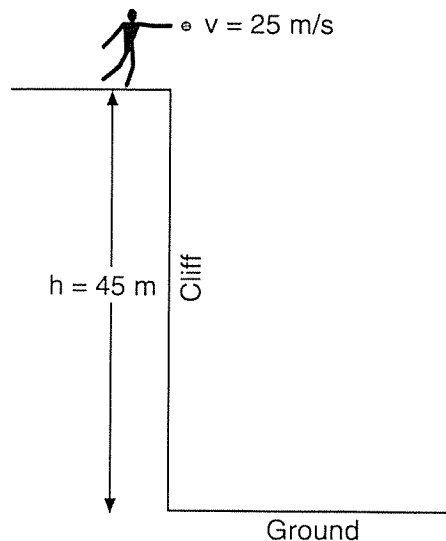
- 2 The diagram below shows a granite block being slid at constant speed across a horizontal concrete floor by a force parallel to the floor.



Which pair of quantities could be used to determine the coefficient of friction for the granite on the concrete?

- (1) mass and speed of the block  
 (2) mass and normal force on the block  
 (3) frictional force and speed of the block  
 (4) frictional force and normal force on the block
- 3 An object with an initial speed of 4.0 meters per second accelerates uniformly at 2.0 meters per second<sup>2</sup> in the direction of its motion for a distance of 5.0 meters. What is the final speed of the object?  
 (1) 6.0 m/s (3) 14 m/s  
 (2) 10. m/s (4) 36 m/s
- 4 After a model rocket reached its maximum height, it then took 5.0 seconds to return to the launch site. What is the approximate maximum height reached by the rocket? [Neglect air resistance.]  
 (1) 49 m (3) 120 m  
 (2) 98 m (4) 250 m

- 5 The diagram below shows a student throwing a baseball horizontally at 25 meters per second from a cliff 45 meters above the level ground.

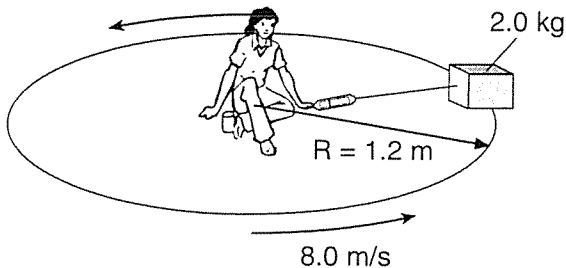


Approximately how far from the base of the cliff does the ball hit the ground? [Neglect air resistance.]

- (1) 45 m (3) 140 m  
 (2) 75 m (4) 230 m
- 6 A projectile is fired from a gun near the surface of Earth. The initial velocity of the projectile has a vertical component of 98 meters per second and a horizontal component of 49 meters per second. How long will it take the projectile to reach the highest point in its path?  
 (1) 5.0 s (3) 20. s  
 (2) 10. s (4) 100. s
- 7 A 70.-kilogram astronaut has a weight of 560 newtons on the surface of planet Alpha. What is the acceleration due to gravity on planet Alpha?  
 (1) 0.0 m/s<sup>2</sup> (3) 9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 (2) 8.0 m/s<sup>2</sup> (4) 80. m/s<sup>2</sup>

Base your answers to questions 8 and 9 on the diagram and information below.

The diagram shows a student seated on a rotating circular platform, holding a 2.0-kilogram block with a spring scale. The block is 1.2 meters from the center of the platform. The block has a constant speed of 8.0 meters per second. [Frictional forces on the block are negligible.]



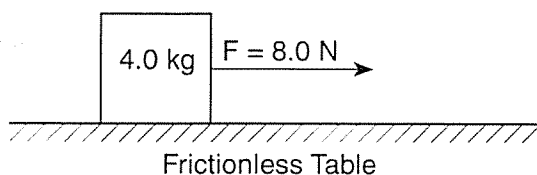
8 Which statement best describes the block's movement as the platform rotates?

- (1) Its velocity is directed tangent to the circular path, with an inward acceleration.
- (2) Its velocity is directed tangent to the circular path, with an outward acceleration.
- (3) Its velocity is directed perpendicular to the circular path, with an inward acceleration.
- (4) Its velocity is directed perpendicular to the circular path, with an outward acceleration.

9 The reading on the spring scale is approximately

- (1) 20. N
- (2) 53 N
- (3) 110 N
- (4) 130 N

10 The diagram below shows a horizontal 8.0-newton force applied to a 4.0-kilogram block on a frictionless table.



What is the magnitude of the block's acceleration?

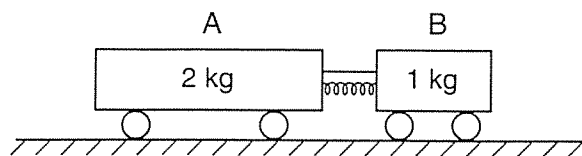
- (1)  $0.50 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (2)  $2.0 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (3)  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (4)  $32 \text{ m/s}^2$

11 A 0.10-kilogram model rocket's engine is designed to deliver an impulse of 6.0 newton-seconds. If the rocket engine burns for 0.75 second, what average force does it produce?

- (1) 4.5 N
- (2) 8.0 N
- (3) 45 N
- (4) 80. N

Base your answers to questions 12 and 13 on the information and diagram below.

The diagram shows a compressed spring between two carts initially at rest on a horizontal frictionless surface. Cart A has a mass of 2 kilograms and cart B has a mass of 1 kilogram. A string holds the carts together.



12 What occurs when the string is cut and the carts move apart?

- (1) The magnitude of the acceleration of cart A is one-half the magnitude of the acceleration of cart B.
- (2) The length of time that the force acts on cart A is twice the length of time the force acts on cart B.
- (3) The magnitude of the force exerted on cart A is one-half the magnitude of the force exerted on cart B.
- (4) The magnitude of the impulse applied to cart A is twice the magnitude of the impulse applied to cart B.

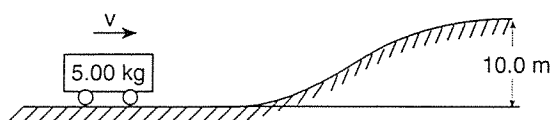
13 After the string is cut and the two carts move apart, the magnitude of which quantity is the same for both carts?

- (1) momentum
- (2) velocity
- (3) inertia
- (4) kinetic energy

14 An object moving at a constant speed of 25 meters per second possesses 450 joules of kinetic energy. What is the object's mass?

- (1) 0.72 kg
- (2) 1.4 kg
- (3) 18 kg
- (4) 36 kg

- 15 The diagram below shows a moving, 5.00-kilogram cart at the foot of a hill 10.0 meters high. For the cart to reach the top of the hill, what is the minimum kinetic energy of the cart in the position shown? [Neglect energy loss due to friction.]



- (1) 4.91 J                      (3) 250. J  
 (2) 50.0 J                      (4) 491 J

- 16 A constant force of 1900 newtons is required to keep an automobile having a mass of  $1.0 \times 10^3$  kilograms moving at a constant speed of 20. meters per second. The work done in moving the automobile a distance of  $2.0 \times 10^3$  meters is

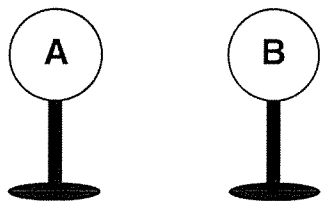
- (1)  $2.0 \times 10^4$  J              (3)  $2.0 \times 10^6$  J  
 (2)  $3.8 \times 10^4$  J              (4)  $3.8 \times 10^6$  J

- 17 The energy required to move one elementary charge through a potential difference of 5.0 volts is

- (1) 8.0 J                        (3)  $8.0 \times 10^{-19}$  J  
 (2) 5.0 J                        (4)  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  J

- 18 The diagram below shows two identical metal spheres, A and B, on insulated stands. Each sphere possesses a net charge of  $-3 \times 10^{-6}$  coulomb.

$-3 \times 10^{-6}$  C       $-3 \times 10^{-6}$  C



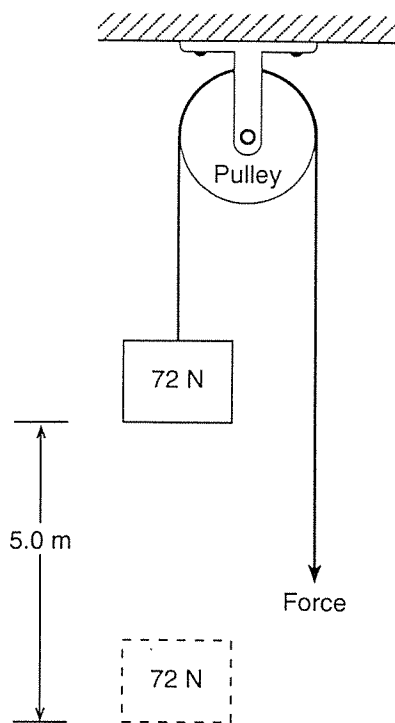
If the spheres are brought into contact with each other and then separated, the charge on sphere A will be

- (1) 0 C                            (3)  $-3 \times 10^{-6}$  C  
 (2)  $+3 \times 10^{-6}$  C              (4)  $-6 \times 10^{-6}$  C

- 19 In a vacuum, light with a frequency of  $5.0 \times 10^{14}$  hertz has a wavelength of

- (1)  $6.0 \times 10^{-21}$  m            (3)  $1.7 \times 10^6$  m  
 (2)  $6.0 \times 10^{-7}$  m            (4)  $1.5 \times 10^{23}$  m

- 20 In the diagram below, 400. joules of work is done raising a 72-newton weight a vertical distance of 5.0 meters.



How much work is done to overcome friction as the weight is raised?

- (1) 40. J                            (3) 400. J  
 (2) 360 J                            (4) 760 J

- 21 An incandescent light bulb is supplied with a constant potential difference of 120 volts. As the filament of the bulb heats up, its resistance

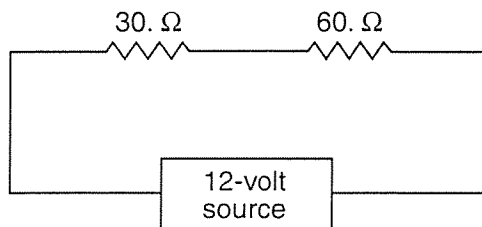
- (1) increases and the current through it decreases  
 (2) increases and the current through it increases  
 (3) decreases and the current through it decreases  
 (4) decreases and the current through it increases

- 22 During a thunderstorm, a lightning strike transfers 12 coulombs of charge in  $2.0 \times 10^{-3}$  second. What is the average current produced in this strike?

- (1)  $1.7 \times 10^{-4}$  A              (3)  $6.0 \times 10^3$  A  
 (2)  $2.4 \times 10^{-2}$  A              (4)  $9.6 \times 10^3$  A

Note that question 23 has only three choices.

- 23 A 30.-ohm resistor and a 60.-ohm resistor are connected in an electric circuit as shown below.

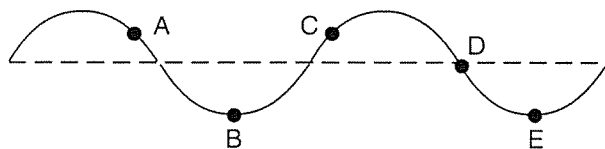


Compared to the electric current through the 30.-ohm resistor, the electric current through the 60.-ohm resistor is

- (1) smaller  
(2) larger  
(3) the same
- 24 An operating electric heater draws a current of 10. amperes and has a resistance of 12 ohms. How much energy does the heater use in 60. seconds?
- (1) 120 J                      (3) 7200 J  
(2) 1200 J                    (4) 72,000 J

- 25 If the charge on each of two small charged metal spheres is doubled and the distance between the spheres remains fixed, the magnitude of the electric force between the spheres will be
- (1) the same                    (3) one-half as great  
(2) two times as great      (4) four times as great

- 26 The diagram below represents a periodic wave.



Which two points on the wave are in phase?

- (1) A and C                    (3) A and D  
(2) B and D                    (4) B and E
- 27 A beam of monochromatic light travels through flint glass, crown glass, Lucite, and water. The speed of the light beam is slowest in
- (1) flint glass                    (3) Lucite  
(2) crown glass                (4) water

- 28 A standing wave pattern is produced when a guitar string is plucked. Which characteristic of the standing wave immediately begins to decrease?

(1) speed                      (3) frequency  
(2) wavelength              (4) amplitude

- 29 A source of sound waves approaches a stationary observer through a uniform medium. Compared to the frequency and wavelength of the emitted sound, the observer would detect waves with a

(1) higher frequency and shorter wavelength  
(2) higher frequency and longer wavelength  
(3) lower frequency and shorter wavelength  
(4) lower frequency and longer wavelength

- 30 What is the smallest electric charge that can be put on an object?

(1)  $9.11 \times 10^{-31}$  C              (3)  $9.00 \times 10^9$  C  
(2)  $1.60 \times 10^{-19}$  C              (4)  $6.25 \times 10^{18}$  C

- 31 Which characteristic of electromagnetic radiation is directly proportional to the energy of a photon?

(1) wavelength                (3) frequency  
(2) period                      (4) path

- 32 What is the maximum height to which a 1200-watt motor could lift an object weighing 200. newtons in 4.0 seconds?

(1) 0.67 m                      (3) 6.0 m  
(2) 1.5 m                        (4) 24 m

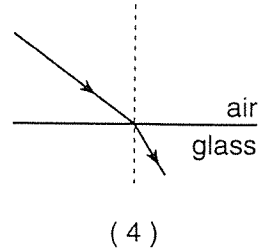
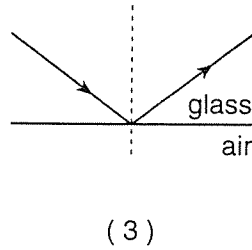
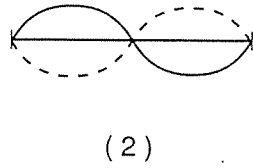
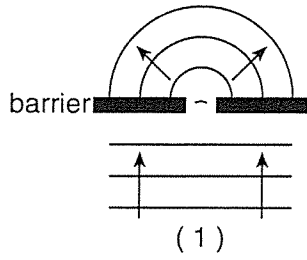
- 33 A spring of negligible mass has a spring constant of 50. newtons per meter. If the spring is stretched 0.40 meter from its equilibrium position, how much potential energy is stored in the spring?

(1) 20. J                        (3) 8.0 J  
(2) 10. J                        (4) 4.0 J

- 34 How much current flows through a 12-ohm flashlight bulb operating at 3.0 volts?

(1) 0.25 A                      (3) 3.0 A  
(2) 0.75 A                      (4) 4.0 A

35 Which diagram below best represents the phenomenon of diffraction?



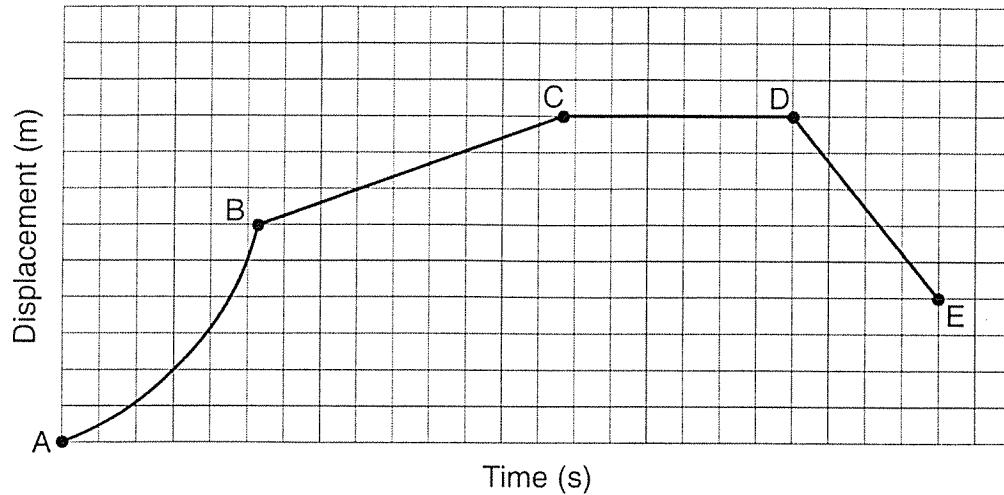
**Part B-1**

**Answer all questions in this part.**

*Directions (36–45):* For *each* statement or question, write on the separate answer sheet the *number* of the word or expression that, of those given, best completes the statement or answers the question.

36 The displacement-time graph below represents the motion of a cart initially moving forward along a straight line.

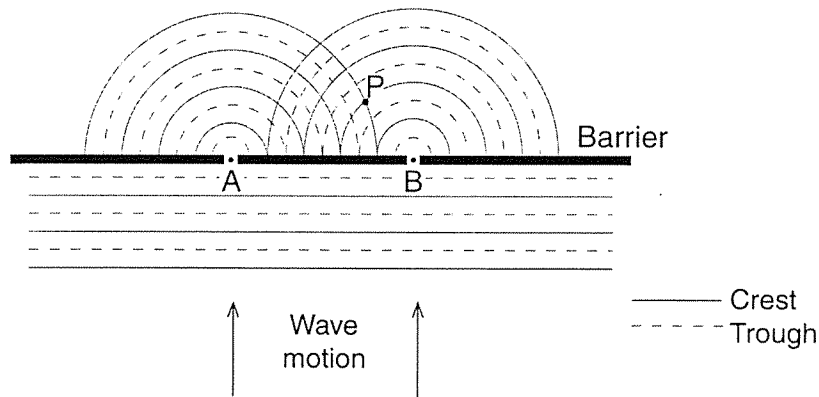
**Displacement vs. Time**



During which interval is the cart moving forward at constant speed?

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| (1) <i>AB</i> | (3) <i>CD</i> |
| (2) <i>BC</i> | (4) <i>DE</i> |

37 The diagram below represents shallow water waves of wavelength  $\lambda$  passing through two small openings, A and B, in a barrier.

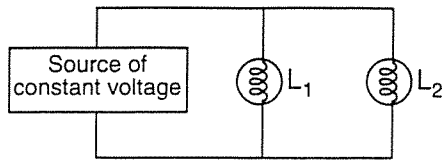


How much longer is the length of path *AP* than the length of path *BP*?

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| (1) $1\lambda$ | (3) $3\lambda$ |
| (2) $2\lambda$ | (4) $4\lambda$ |

Note that question 38 has only three choices.

38 In the diagram below, lamps  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are connected to a constant voltage power supply.



If lamp  $L_1$  burns out, the brightness of  $L_2$  will

- (1) decrease
- (2) increase
- (3) remain the same

39 What is the approximate mass of a pencil?

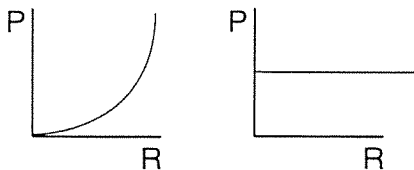
- (1)  $5.0 \times 10^{-3}$  kg
- (2)  $5.0 \times 10^{-1}$  kg
- (3)  $5.0 \times 10^0$  kg
- (4)  $5.0 \times 10^1$  kg

What is an essential characteristic of an object in

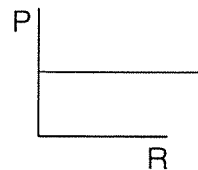
40 equilibrium?

- (1) zero velocity
- (2) zero acceleration
- (3) zero potential energy
- (4) zero kinetic energy

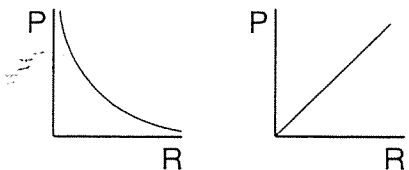
41 The potential difference applied to a circuit element remains constant as the resistance of the element is varied. Which graph best represents the relationship between power ( $P$ ) and resistance ( $R$ ) of this element?



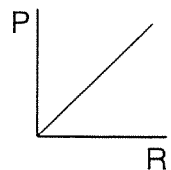
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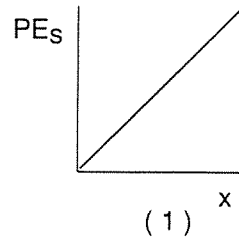


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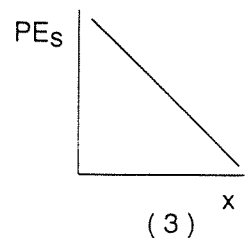


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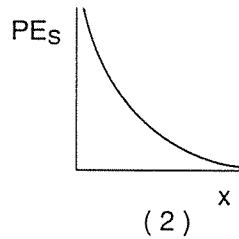
42 Which graph best represents the elastic potential energy stored in a spring ( $PE_s$ ) as a function of its elongation,  $x$ ?



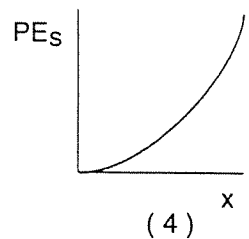
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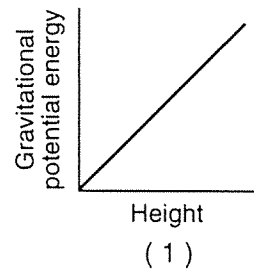


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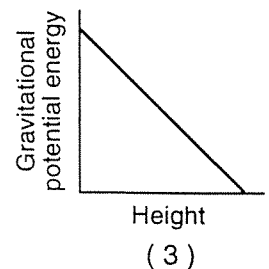


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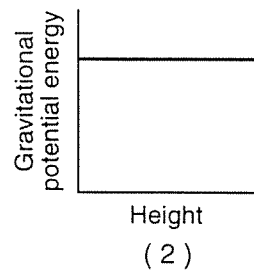
43 Which graph best represents the relationship between the gravitational potential energy of a freely falling object and the object's height above the ground near the surface of Earth?



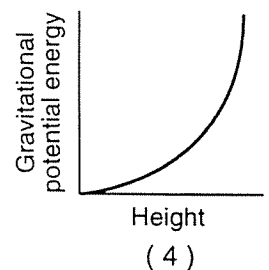
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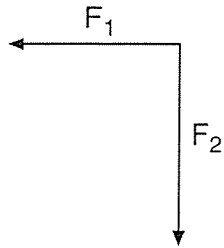
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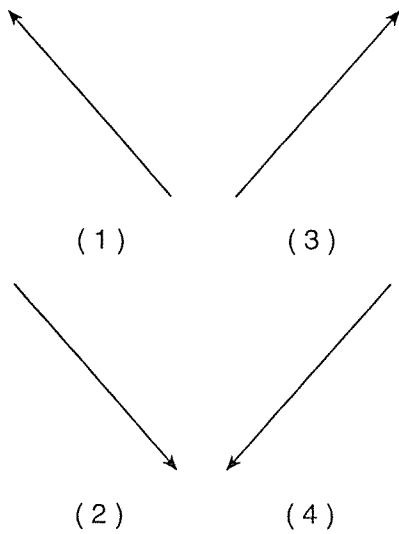
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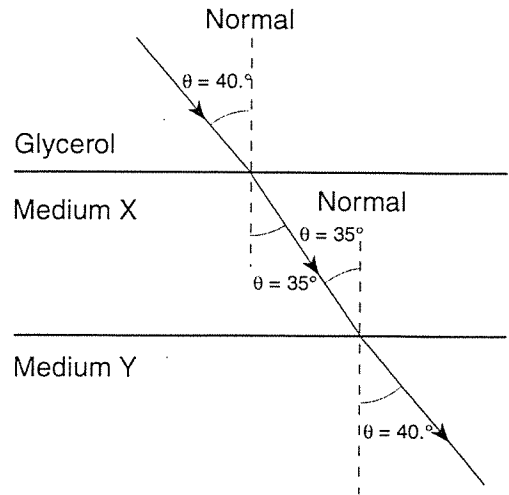
44 A force vector was resolved into two perpendicular components,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , as shown in the diagram below.



Which vector best represents the original force?



45 A beam of monochromatic light ( $f = 5.09 \times 10^{14}$  hertz) passes through parallel sections of glycerol, medium X, and medium Y as shown in the diagram below.



What could medium X and medium Y be?

- (1) X could be flint glass and Y could be corn oil.
- (2) X could be corn oil and Y could be flint glass.
- (3) X could be water and Y could be glycerol.
- (4) X could be glycerol and Y could be water.

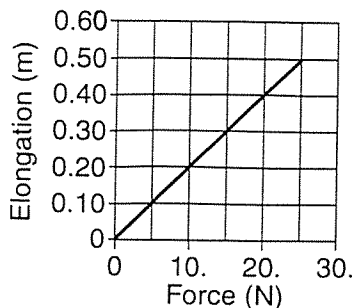
Part B-2

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Directions (46–59): Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet.

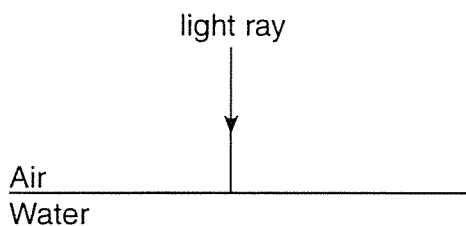
46. The graph below shows the relationship between the elongation of a spring and the force applied to the spring causing it to stretch.

Elongation vs. Applied Force



What is the spring constant for this spring?

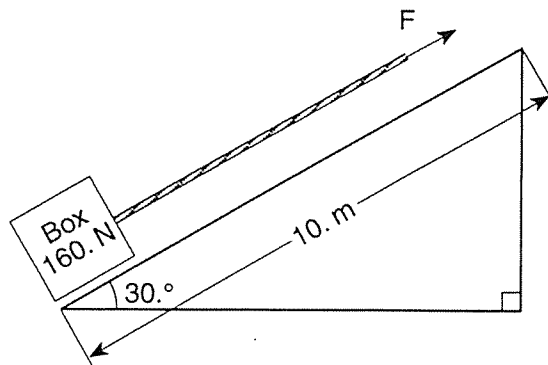
47. A ray of light traveling in air is incident on an air-water boundary as shown below.



On the diagram provided in your answer booklet, draw the path of the ray in the water. [1]

Base your answers to questions 48 and 49 on the information and diagram below.

A 160.-newton box sits on a 10.-meter-long frictionless plane inclined at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal as shown. Force ( $F$ ) applied to a rope attached to the box causes the box to move with a constant speed up the incline.



48. On the diagram in your answer booklet, construct a vector to represent the weight of the box. Use a metric ruler and a scale of 1.0 centimeter = 40. newtons. Begin the vector at point  $B$  and label its magnitude in newtons. [2]
49. Calculate the amount of work done in moving the box from the bottom to the top of the inclined plane. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

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Base your answers to questions 50 through 53 on the information and table below.

The table lists the kinetic energy of a 4.0-kilogram mass as it travels in a straight line for 12.0 seconds.

Time (seconds)	Kinetic Energy (joules)
0.0	0.0
2.0	8.0
4.0	18
6.0	32
10.0	32
12.0	32

*Directions (50–51):* Using the information in the data table, construct a graph on the grid provided in your answer booklet, following the directions below.

50 Mark an appropriate scale on the axis labeled “Kinetic Energy (J).” [1]

51 Plot the data points for kinetic energy versus time. [1]

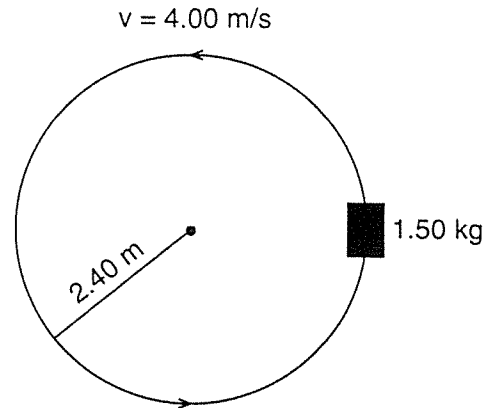
52 Calculate the speed of the mass at 10.0 seconds. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

53 Compare the speed of the mass at 6.0 seconds to the speed of the mass at 10.0 seconds. [1]

54 Using dimensional analysis, show that the expression  $v^2/d$  has the same units as acceleration. [Show all the steps used to arrive at your answer.] [2]

Base your answers to questions 55 through 57 on the information and diagram below.

A 1.50-kilogram cart travels in a horizontal circle of radius 2.40 meters at a constant speed of 4.00 meters per second.

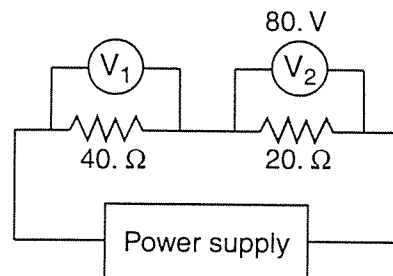


55 Calculate the time required for the cart to make one complete revolution. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

56 Describe a change that would quadruple the magnitude of the centripetal force. [1]

57 On the diagram in your answer booklet, draw an arrow to represent the direction of the acceleration of the cart in the position shown. Label the arrow  $a$ . [1]

58 In the circuit shown below, voltmeter  $V_2$  reads 80. volts.



What is the reading of voltmeter  $V_1$ ? [1]

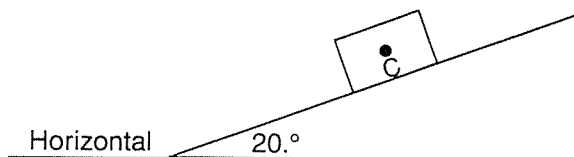
59 A 10.-newton force is required to move a 3.0-kilogram box at constant speed. How much power is required to move the box 8.0 meters in 2.0 seconds? [1]

**Part C**

**Answer all questions in this part.**

*Directions* (60–69): Record your answers in the spaces provided in your answer booklet.

A 10.0-kilogram block slides at constant speed down a plane inclined at  $20^\circ$  to the horizontal, as shown.



- On the diagram draw an arrow to represent and identify the direction of each of the *three* forces (weight, friction, normal force) acting on the block. Begin *each* arrow at point *C* and label *each* arrow with the force that it represents.
60. Determine the weight of the block. [Show all calculations, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]
61. In one or more complete sentences, describe the change in the motion of the block as the angle of inclination is increased to  $30^\circ$ . [1]
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Base your answers to questions 62 and 63 on the information below.

An electric circuit contains two 3.0-ohm resistors connected in parallel with a battery. The circuit also contains a voltmeter that reads the potential difference across one of the resistors.

62 In the space provided in your answer booklet, draw a diagram of this circuit, using the symbols from the *Reference Tables for Physical Setting/Physics*. [Assume availability of any number of wires of negligible resistance.] [2]

63 Calculate the total resistance of the circuit. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

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64 Explain how to find the coefficient of kinetic friction between a wooden block of unknown mass and a tabletop in the laboratory. Include the following in your explanation:

- Measurements required [1]
- Equipment needed [1]
- Procedure [1]
- Equation(s) needed to calculate the coefficient of friction [1]

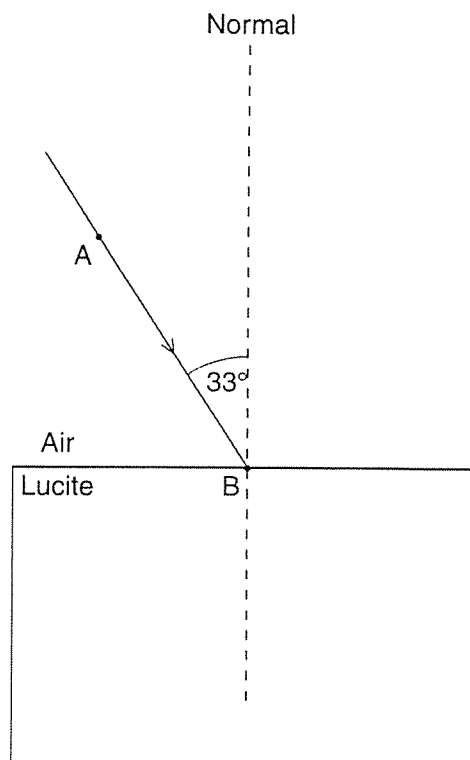
Base your answers to questions 65 and 66 on the information below.

A toaster having a power rating of 1050 watts is operated at 120. volts.

65 Calculate the resistance of the toaster. [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

66 The toaster is connected in a circuit protected by a 15-ampere fuse. (The fuse will shut down the circuit if it carries more than 15 amperes.) Is it possible to simultaneously operate the toaster and a microwave oven that requires a current of 10.0 amperes on this circuit? Justify your answer mathematically. [2]

Base your answers to questions 67 through 69 on the information and diagram below. A monochromatic beam of yellow light,  $AB$ , is incident upon a Lucite block in air at an angle of  $33^\circ$ .



67 Calculate the angle of refraction for incident beam  $AB$ . [Show all work, including the equation and substitution with units.] [2]

68 Using a straightedge, a protractor, and your answer from question 67, draw an arrow to represent the path of the refracted beam. [2]

69 Compare the speed of the yellow light in air to the speed of the yellow light in Lucite. [1]