

Higher Equations of Motion Answers

1. a) v = u + at, $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ and $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$.

- b) u initial velocity (ms⁻¹), v final velocity (ms⁻¹),
 - a acceleration (ms⁻²), s displacement (m) and t time (s).
- **2.** v = 21.2ms⁻¹.
- **3.** s = 62.5m.

4. s = 49.6m.

5. a) Acceleration is the change in velocity per unit of time.

b)

- 1. The trolley is released at the top of the ramp from rest.
- 2. The piece of card on top of the trolley will then break the beam of light in light gate 1.
- 3. The initial velocity of the trolley can be worked out from $u = d/t_1 = \text{length of card/time on timer 1}$.
- 4. When the card breaks the second light beam, the final velocity can be found from $v = d/t_2 =$ length of card/time on timer 2.
- 5. A metre ruler is then used to measure the displacement s between the 2 light gates.

From $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$, then $a = (v^2 - u^2)/2as$.

6. a) v = 19.6ms⁻¹.

b) s = 93.7m.

- **7.** The object will increase its **velocity** by 4ms⁻¹ every second.
- 8. a) OP -> Constant velocity

PQ -> Stationary.



The displacement(s) is equal to the total area = (A_1+A_1) under the graph.

$$s = A_1 + A_1$$
$$s = ut + (v-u) \times t$$
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Note that from the definition of acceleration:

Substitute this into the expression above.

s = ut +
$$\frac{\text{at x t}}{2}$$

s = ut + $\frac{\text{at}^2}{2}$
s = ut + $\frac{1}{2}$ at².

- **10.** a) i) $s_1 = 0.2m$. ii) $s_2 = 1.8m$ and so $\Delta s = 1.6m$. iii) $a = 8.9ms^{-2}$.
 - b) i) + ii) $a = (8.8 \pm 0.1) \text{ms}^{-2}$.
 - c) The **contact time is greater** with a smaller material.

The **rebound height will be less** because the sponge will absorb more of the balls kinetic energy.

The reduced rebound height can also be explained as a result of the average upward force exerted by the sponge on the ball being less.

- **11.** a) The time for both sprinters is 5 Seconds.
 - b) $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}} = 8 \text{ms}^{-1}$ and $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{Q}} = 6 \text{ms}^{-1}$.
 - c) The distance between the starting points = 5m.
- **12.** a) s = 42m.
 - b) Speed at Q is greater.
 Mass of the car is greater.
 Deceleration is less since a = F/m with F being a constant.

OR You will get the full marks by showing a full calculation.

- c) i) Electrons and holes recombine at the junction and energy is released in the form of photons of light.
 - ii) R = 15.9Ω.