

Blast-off : Forces Mark Scheme

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1. Forces on books:
 - Weight (downwards).
 - Normal reaction force (upwards).
2. Forces on car:
 - T (thrust) - Forward direction.
 - F (friction) - Backward direction.

Marking Scheme: 2 marks for identifying each force.

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1. Parachute:
 - G (gravity) pulls down.
 - A (air resistance) slows the parachute.
2. Ship:
 - U (upthrust) acts upwards.
 - W (weight) acts downwards.

Marking Scheme: 2 marks for correct forces on each scenario.

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1. Newton meter readings:
 - Left to right: 2 N, 4 N, 6 N, 8 N.

Marking Scheme: 1 mark for each correct reading.

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1. Weight calculations: a) 220 N b) 11,100 N c) 3 N d) 6 N (bag) + 25 N (books) = 31 N e) 0.58 N

Marking Scheme: 1 mark per calculation.

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1. Mass calculations: a) 49 kg b) 1 kg c) 250 kg
2. Table:
 - 1st row: 600 N
 - 2nd row: 180 kg
 - 3rd row: 10 N/kg remains constant.

Marking Scheme: 1 mark per correct value.

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1. Force: $F = 0.63 \times 10 = 6.3 \text{ N}$
2. Spring constant: $k = F / x = 4 / 0.2 = 20 \text{ N/m}$
3. Force needed: $F = k \times x = 5 \times 0.3 = 1.5 \text{ N}$

Marking Scheme: 1 mark for each correct calculation.

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1. Forces and Measurement
 - a) The device used to measure forces: Newton meter (1 mark)
The resolution of the instrument: 0.1 N (1 mark)

b) Forces on a parachutist:

- Downward force: Weight (1 mark)
 - Upward force: Air resistance (1 mark)
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3. Box on the Ground

- a) Weight of the box: 50 N (1 mark)
- b) Name of force preventing movement: Friction (1 mark)
- c) Size of the force preventing movement: 10 N (1 mark)

4. Bungee Jumper

- a) Force making him fall: Gravity/Weight (1 mark)
 - b) Force stopping him: Tension (1 mark)
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5. Earth's Gravity on the Moon

- Correctly drawn arrow pointing toward Earth (1 mark)

6. Box on a Table

- Correct answer: C (1 mark)

7. Plane in Flight

- a) Correctly labelled forces: Thrust, lift, weight, drag (4 marks)
 - b) How forces change when speeding up:
 - Thrust increases (1 mark)
 - Drag remains the same initially but increases slightly (1 mark)
 - Weight and lift remain balanced (1 mark)
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8. Tug of War

- a) What happens to the rope: It moves toward the team pulling with more force (1 mark)
 - b) Extra person joins:
 - Rope moves to the right as the forces are now balanced (1 mark)
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9. Mass and Weight on Different Planets

- a) Largest mass: Mars (1 mark)
 - b) Gravity greater on Earth: Because weight on Earth is greater for the same mass (1 mark)
 - c) Comparison between Moon and Earth:
 - Weight on Moon is less than on Earth (1 mark)
 - Mass is the same on Moon and Earth (1 mark)
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10. Forces on a Plane in Flight

- a) Arrow for air resistance: D (1 mark)
- b)
 - i) Balanced forces for constant height: C and A (1 mark)
 - ii) Balanced forces for constant speed: D and B (1 mark)

- c)
i) True statement before take-off: Force D is greater than Force B (1 mark)
ii) True statement just as the plane leaves the ground: Force A is greater than Force C (1 mark)
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1. See-saw Balancing
a) Direction of movement: Andy's end moves down (1 mark)
b) People balancing the see-saw: Ellie and Rosie (1 mark)

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- (c)
• Rosie on end A: Up
• Jack on end B: Down
1 mark
- (d)
• Person on end B: Andy
1 mark
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- (a) (i)
• Arrows pointing towards the centre of the Earth from A, B, C, and D.
1 mark
- (a) (ii)
• Ball and string positioned directly towards the centre of the Earth at each position (B, C, D).
1 mark
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- (a) (i)
• Between 2 seconds and 6 seconds: Moving at constant speed
1 mark
- (ii)
• Between 9 seconds and 10 seconds: Stationary
1 mark
- (b)
• Average speed = Total distance / Total time
= 20 m / 10 s = 2 m/s
2 marks
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- (c) (i)
• The forward force was zero, and friction was greater than zero. (Tick this box)
1 mark
- (ii)
• The car started to slow down after 8 seconds.
1 mark

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(a) Match forces to letters:

- The weight of the buggy → D
 - The force pulling the buggy along → A
 - The friction between the skis and the snow → C
- 3 marks
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(b) Distance travelled in 10 days = $80 \text{ km/day} \times 10 \text{ days} = 800 \text{ km}$

1 mark

(c) At the start, the buggy had a greater total mass (295 kg), so it exerted a greater force on the snow, causing it to sink deeper. At the end, with less mass (130 kg), it exerted less force and did not sink as much.

1 mark

(d) Skis distribute the weight over a larger surface area compared to wheels, reducing pressure on the snow and preventing sinking.

1 mark

(e) A bigger sail captures more wind, providing a greater force to pull the buggy, increasing its speed.

1 mark

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Question 8: Planning an Investigation

1. Example investigation question:

"How does the angle of the ramp affect the speed of an object moving down the ramp?"

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(a) Independent variable:

The angle of the ramp (measured in degrees)

(b) Dependent variable:

The speed of the object (measured in m/s) using a stopwatch and ruler for distance

(c) Control variable:

The surface of the ramp to ensure fair testing.

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Question 1

(a)

(i) Arrow C (gravity acts downward).

(ii) Arrow B (force of the rope pulling Nicola forward).

(b) Calculation:

Speed = distance \div time

Distance = speed \times time = $2 \text{ m/s} \times 10 \text{ s} = 20 \text{ m}$

(c) One other force:

Friction (acting opposite to the motion of the roller blades).

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Question 8

(a) Direction of movement:

Arrow C (downward), as the force is unbalanced in that direction.

(b) Explanation:

The astronaut will move downward because the forces in other directions cancel out, leaving a resultant force of 1 N downward.

(c) Arrow Direction:

Arrow pointing downward (to show resultant movement direction).

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(b) Explanation:

The astronaut will move downward because the forces in the vertical direction are unbalanced. The 9 N downward force is greater than the upward 9 N, creating a net movement downward.

(c) Drawing:

Arrow pointing upward and to the right (resultant force direction from the combined horizontal and vertical forces).



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