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Demonstrate understanding of aspects of mechanics.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of aspects of mechanics.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of aspects of mechanics.

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You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

Show ALL working.

If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–13 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

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Achievement

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You may find the following formulae useful.

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \quad F_{\text{net}} = ma \quad P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$\Delta E_p = mg\Delta h \quad E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad W = Fd \quad P = \frac{W}{t}$$

The value of g is given as 10 m s^{-2}

You are advised to spend 60 minutes answering the questions in this booklet.

QUESTION ONE: PARACHUTING

A parachutist of mass 75 kg jumps from a plane at a height of 4 000 m above sea level.

- (a) The parachutist falls through a distance of 2 400 m during the first 60 seconds. Calculate the average speed of the parachutist during this time.

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{d}{t} \quad V = \text{distance} \div \text{time}$$

$$2400 \div 60 = 40$$

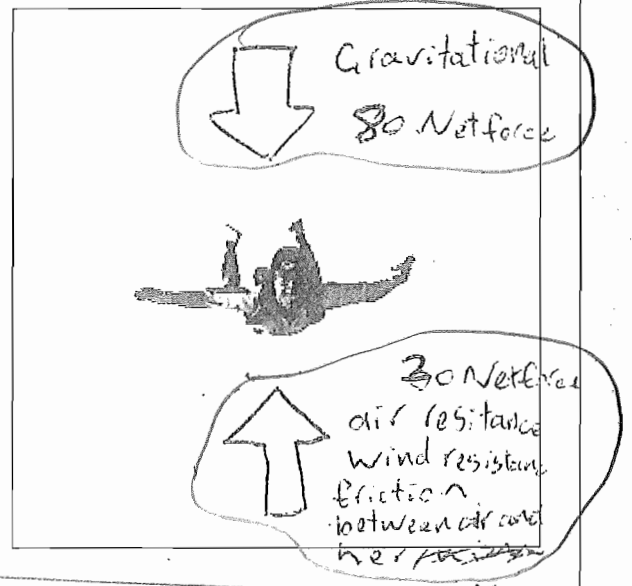
Average speed = 40 m s⁻¹

Good diagram
clearly shows unbalanced
forces
It is the concept of
unbalanced forces but
no mention of acceleration
If had referred to Newton's
2nd law would have got
M.
But only on A part

- (b) Explain the vertical motion of the parachutist **just after** she jumps out of the plane (before the parachute opens).

In your answer you should:

- draw and label the vertical force(s) acting on the parachutist and show their relative sizes on the image to the right
- describe the net vertical force and state whether the force(s) are balanced or unbalanced
- describe the vertical motion of the parachutist
- explain how the net vertical force affects the vertical motion.



The vertical net forces acting on her are unbalanced as she is going down at a very fast pace. Approx 80 net down 20 net up. The net force affects the vertical motion of an object by pushing that object in the direction of the weaker net force as it is not able to hold it unlike if the forces were ~~equal~~ ^{even} the object would be stationary.

(c) After the 60 seconds, the parachutist pulls the cord and opens her parachute.

Explain how the parachute reduces the speed of the parachutist when it is just opened.

In your answer you should consider:

- how the motion of the parachutist changes when the parachute is opened
- the effect of the size of the parachute on the motion
- the effect of the parachute on the net vertical force.

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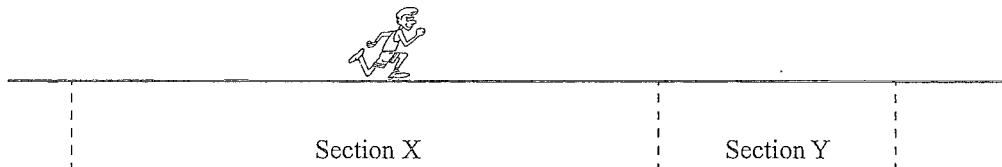
The Parachute reduces the speed of the Parachutist as it has a greater area for the upward & Net forces like air resistance (friction) to act on thus evening out the net force to an approx 60 down 60 up. So it is harder for the gravitational net force to push down the object making it travel slower.

A point here is that here is upward net force of friction.

So Air



QUESTION TWO: RUNNING

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A boy runs along a track, as shown above.

During section X, he runs with a constant speed of 2 m s^{-1} for 15 seconds.

During section Y, he runs with a constant acceleration of 0.2 m s^{-2} .

- (a) Calculate the net force acting on the boy (mass 60 kg) during section Y.

Give an appropriate unit with your answer.

~~$$\text{Net force} = \text{mass} \times \text{acceleration}$$~~

~~$$\text{mass} = 60 \quad \text{acceleration} = 0.2$$~~

~~$$60 \times 0.2 = 12$$~~

Net force acting on the boy during section Y =

~~$$12 \text{ (N)}$$

unit~~

- (b) The boy runs 12.5 m during section Y in 5 seconds.

Calculate the power required by the boy to produce the constant acceleration of 0.2 m s^{-2} in 5 seconds during section Y.

Give an appropriate unit with your answer.

~~$$\text{Power} = \text{force} \times \text{Acceleration}$$~~

~~$$\text{force} = 12 \text{ N} \quad \text{Acceleration} = 0.2$$~~

~~$$12 \times 0.2 = 60$$~~

~~$$\text{Power} = \text{work} \div \text{time} = 5$$~~

~~$$\text{work} = \text{force} \times \text{distance}, \text{ force} = 12 \quad \text{distance} = 12.5$$~~

~~$$12 \times 12.5 = 150 \text{ (work)} \quad \text{time} = 5, 150 \div 5 = 30$$~~

Power required by the boy during section Y =

~~$$30 \text{ (J)}$$

unit~~

Calculations
correct
- wrong unit
in (b)

(c) (i) Calculate the speed of the boy as he reaches the end of section Y.

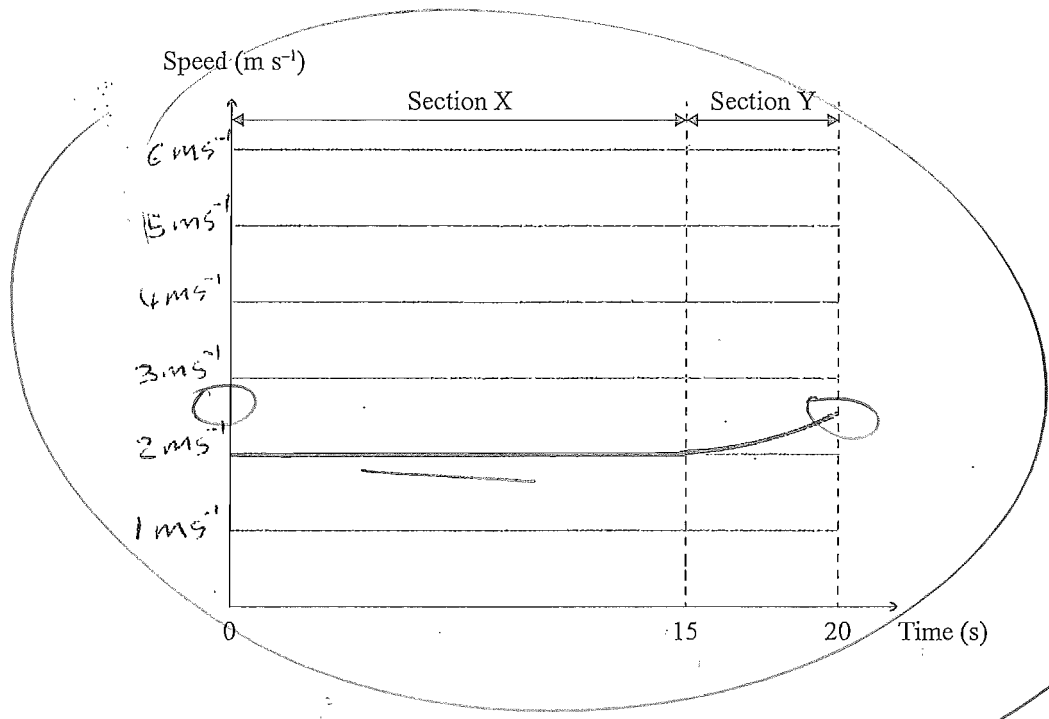
Speed = distance ÷ time, distance = 12.5 m
 time = 5, $12.5 \div 5 = 2.5$

Speed at the end of section Y = 2.5 m s⁻¹

(ii) Use this and the other information provided in the question to complete the speed/time graph below.

On your graph, you should:

- label the speed values on the vertical axis
- draw a line on the graph to show the speeds for section X and section Y.



M point for correct shape of graph.

= 115

115

QUESTION THREE: ROPE CLIMBING

A girl of mass 60 kg uses 5 100 J of energy when she climbs a vertical rope.



- (a) Calculate the maximum height it would be possible for the girl to reach.

$$\text{height} = \frac{\text{Energy}}{mg}$$

$$5100 = 60 \times 10 \times h$$

Mentions
Gravitational Potential Energy
Calculates work correctly

- (b) In reality, the girl reaches a height of 8 m.
Explain why the energy used by the girl does not equal the work she does to reach the vertical height of 8 m.

In your answer you should:

- name the type of energy that is produced
- calculate the work done to reach the vertical height of 8 m
- calculate the difference between the work done and the energy used
- explain where the "missing" energy has gone, and why this occurs.

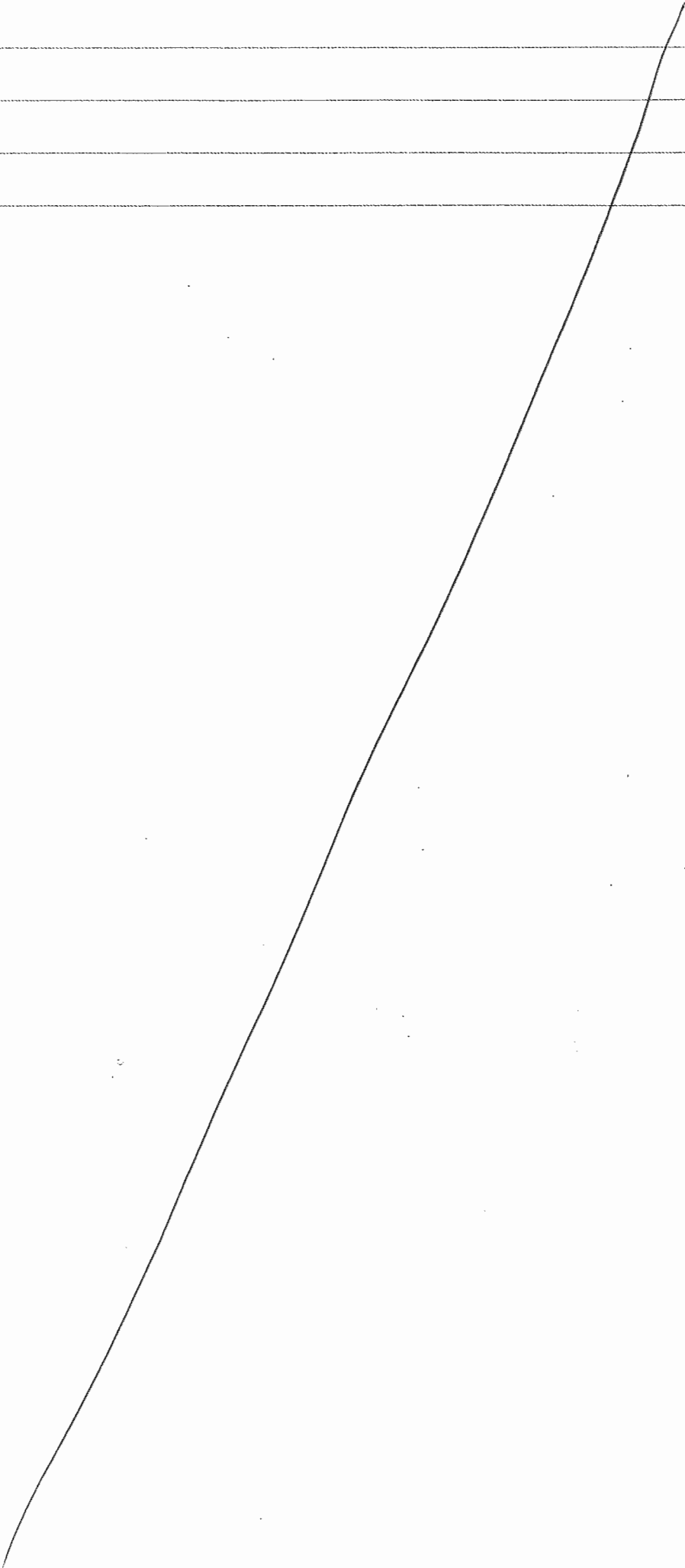
but no mention of energy change of 3000 J.
No mention of $W = EP$ or that Heat Energy is produced
so get 1 point for GPE = 4800 J
1 point for = 4800 J

The energy used by the girl does not equal the work she does to reach the vertical height of 8 m because she loses it during the climb this is because it converts to gravitational Potential energy the higher she goes.

the work done to reach 8 m is $\text{mass} \times g \times \text{height}$ $\text{mass} = 60$
 $\text{height} = 8$ $60 \times 10 \times 8 = 4800 \text{ J}$

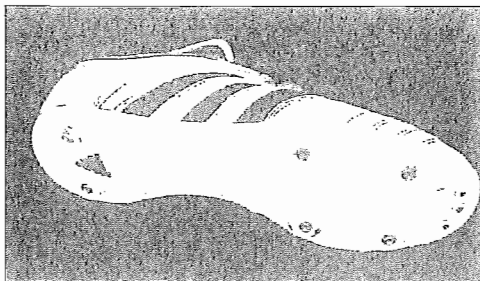
so in reality she uses 5100 J of energy to climb 8 m the rest of it is converted to gravitational Potential energy

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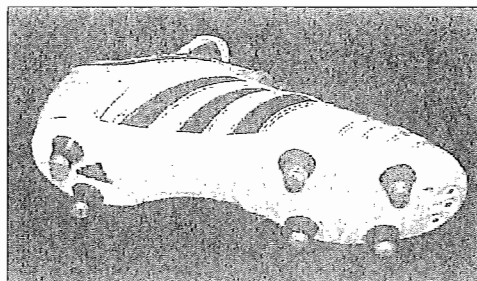


QUESTION FOUR: FOOTBALL BOOTS

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Boot without studs.



Boot with studs.

A student of mass 40 kg uses the football boots shown above.

ONE boot without studs has a surface area of 165 cm² (0.0165 m²) in contact with the ground.

ONE boot with six studs has a surface area of only 6 cm² (0.0006 m²) in contact with the ground.

- (a) Calculate the pressure exerted if the student stands on ONE foot on a hard surface, for the boot without studs AND for the boot with studs.

Give an appropriate unit with your answers.

(i) Without studs: $Pressure = Force \div Area$
 $Force = 40N$ $Area = 0.0165m^2$
 $40 \div 0.0165 = 2424.242424$
 Pressure exerted by ONE foot for the boot without studs = 2424.24 (Pressure) unit

(ii) With studs: $Pressure = force \div Area$
 $Force = 40N$ $Area = 0.0006m^2$
 $40 \div 0.0006 = 66,666.66667$
 Pressure exerted by ONE foot for the boot with studs = 66,666.66667 (Pressure) unit

Incorrect units
 40N for force
 correct for A

- (b) Discuss the advantage gained by the student when running on a soft grass football field while wearing the boots with studs compared to wearing boots of the same size without studs.

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In your answer you should:

- compare the pressure exerted on the ground by the boot with the studs AND the boot without studs
- explain the relationship between surface area and pressure exerted
- explain how the difference in pressures would help the student run on a softer surface like grass.

The advantage of wearing boots with studs on soft grass is the pressure is concentrated on a smaller surface area causing the studs to dig into the ground giving the runner more traction, whereas the boot with no studs would have no traction causing the runner to slip.

If you need to redraw the graph from Question Two (c), draw it on the grid below. Make sure it is clear which graph you want marked.

