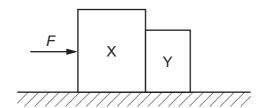
11 A single horizontal force *F* is applied to a block X which is in contact with a separate block Y as shown.



The blocks remain in contact as they accelerate along a horizontal frictionless surface. Air resistance is negligible. X has a greater mass than Y.

Which statement is correct?

- **A** The acceleration of X is equal to force *F* divided by the mass of X.
- **B** The force that X exerts on Y is equal to *F*.
- **C** The force that X exerts on Y is less than *F*.
- **D** The force that X exerts on Y is less than the force that Y exerts on X.