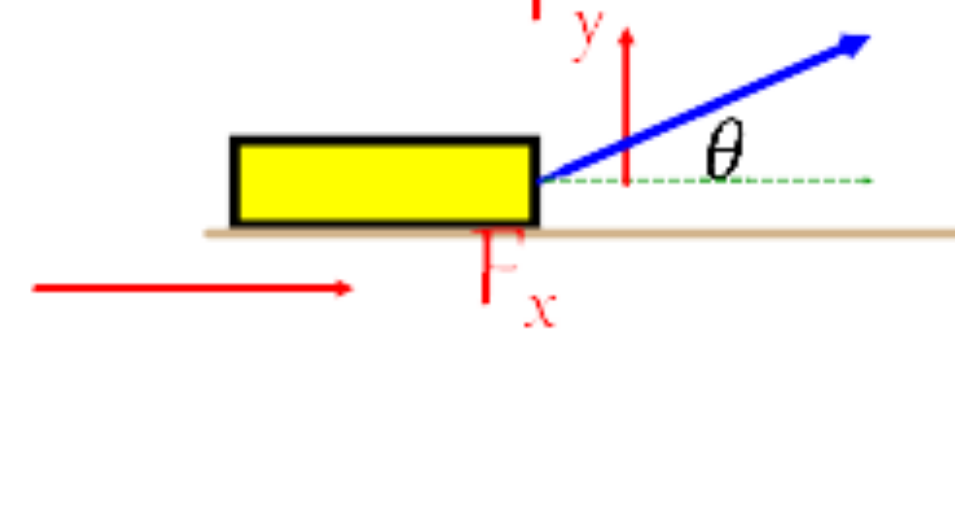


Work

Work is done when a force that is applied to an object moves that object. Work is the energy transferred by a force. The work is calculated by multiplying the force by the displacement of that object.

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{x} = F \cdot \cos(\theta) \cdot \Delta x$$

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Energy is the ability to do Work. Both concepts relate to each other.

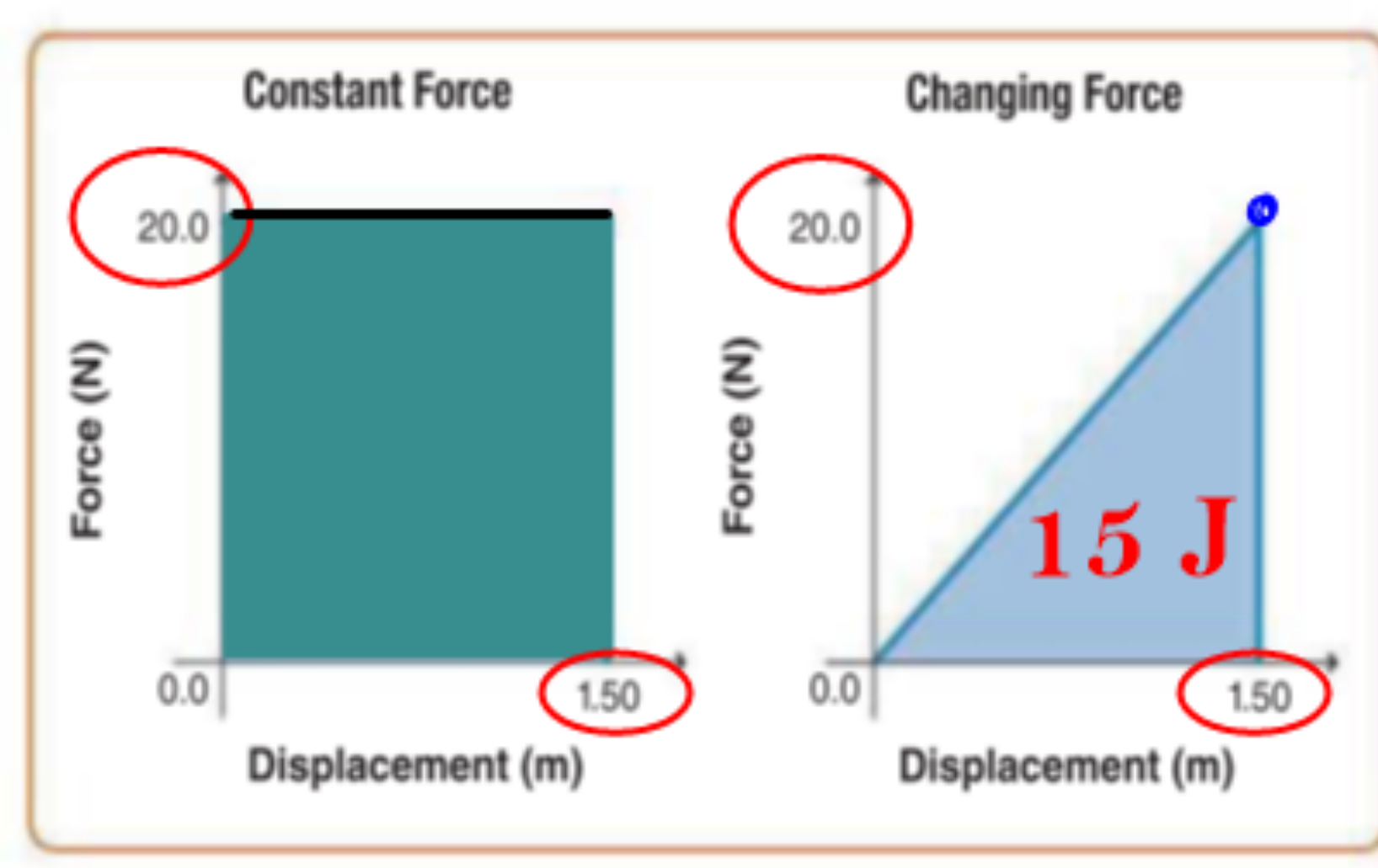
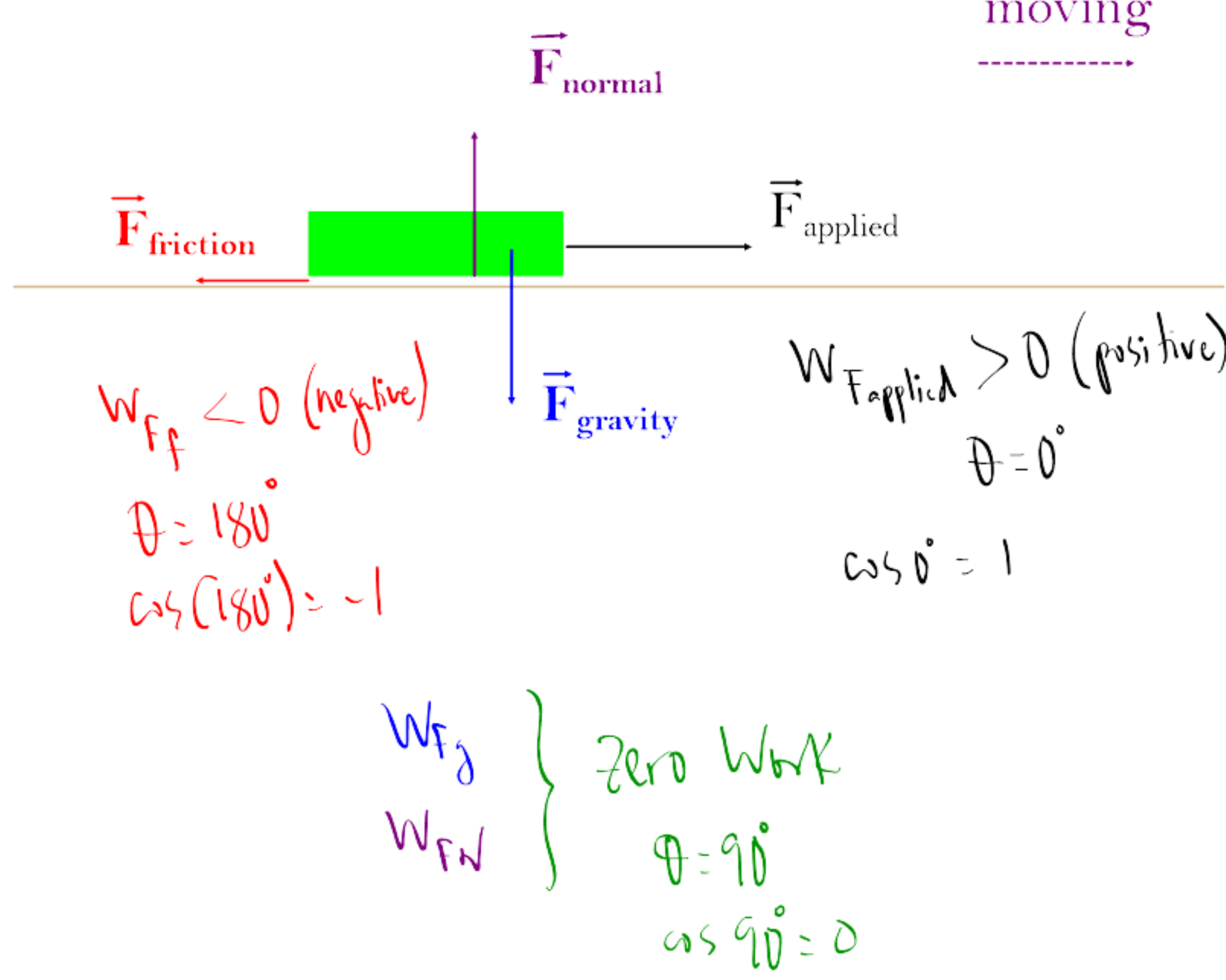


Figure 4 The area under a force-displacement graph is equal to the work.

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

↓ ↓
 $y \cdot x = \text{Area}$
↓ ↓
height · base = A ★

Recommended video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7ruTvfeGiM>

Concepts

- Work is the product of the force exerted on an object and the distance the object moves in the direction of the force.
- The equation for work is force times displacement.
- The unit for work is the $\text{N} \times \text{m}$ which also called the Joule (J).
- Work is done on an object only if the object is moving.
- Work is done on an object only if the force and displacement are in the same direction.

Practice Problems (6-9)

6. A person lifts a package weighing 75 N. If she lifts it 1.2 m off the floor, what work has she done?

$$W = F \cdot \Delta y \cdot \cos \theta = 75 \text{ N} \times 1.2 \text{ m} = 90 \text{ J}$$

7. When 142 J of work is done in pushing a box horizontally 13.3 m, how much force is applied?

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x \cdot \cos 0^\circ$$

$$142 \text{ J} = F \cdot 13.3 \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{142 \text{ J}}{13.3 \text{ m}} = F = 10.7 \text{ N}$$

8. What work is done when a person pushes a refrigerator with a 720 N force across a floor 12 m? (The force of friction between the refrigerator and the floor is 480 N.)

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

$$W_p = 720 \text{ N} \times 12 \text{ m} \times \cos 0^\circ = 8640 \text{ J}$$

$$W_{ff} = 480 \text{ N} \times 12 \text{ m} \cdot \cos(180^\circ) = -5760 \text{ J}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = W_p + W_{ff} = 8640 \text{ J} - 5760 \text{ J} = 2880 \text{ J}$$

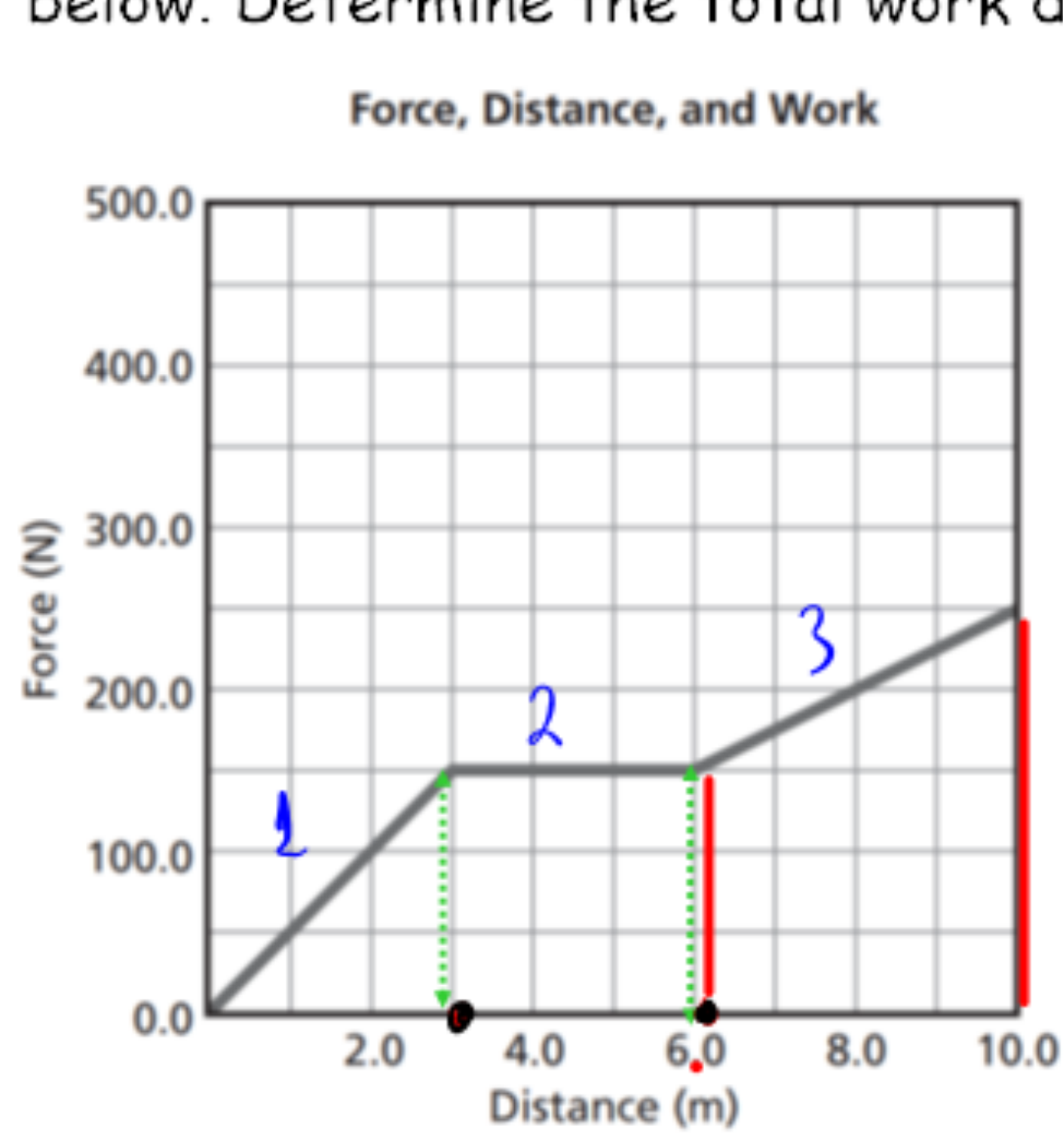
↑ total (net)

9. A sailor pulls a boat along a dock using a rope at an angle of 60.0° with the horizontal. How much work does the sailor do if he exerts a force of 255 N on the rope and pulls the boat 3.00 m?

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x \cdot \cos \theta = 255 \text{ N} \times 3 \text{ m} \cdot \cos(60^\circ)$$

$$W = 382.5 \text{ J} \approx 383 \text{ J}$$

10. An object is moving under the influence of a force according to the graph below. Determine the total work done by the force



$$A_1 = \frac{b \times h}{2}$$

$$A_2 = b \times h$$

$$A_3 = \frac{(b_1 + b_2)h}{2}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = A = 3 \times \frac{150}{2} + 3 \times 150 + \frac{(150 + 250) \times 4}{2}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = 1475 \text{ J}$$

Section Self-Check

1. Energy of motion is called ____.

- ☒ A. kinetic energy
☐ B. potential energy
☐ C. power
☐ D. work

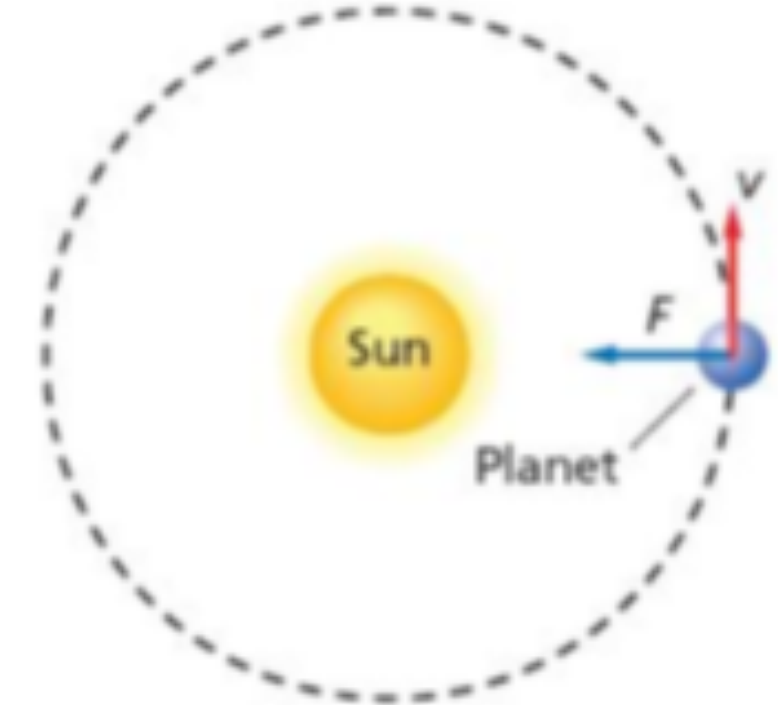
2. Which equation represents work?

- ☐ A. $KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
☐ B. $W = \Delta KE$
☐ C. $W = Fd$
☒ D. $W = Fd \cos \theta$

3. Power is measured in ____.

- ☐ A. joules
☐ B. kilo-joules
☐ C. ohms
☒ D. watts

4. In this image, the force is ____ to the direction of motion.



- ☐ A. equal
☐ B. parallel
☒ C. perpendicular
☐ D. opposite

5. The work-energy theorem states that when work is done on an object, the result is a change in ____.

- ☒ A. kinetic energy
☐ B. potential energy
☐ C. power
☐ D. work-energy