

Energy Homework Problems:

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Problems taken from the school's old textbook:

Giancoli, D. (1980). *Physics*, 2nd Ed. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall.

2. A 550-N crate rests on the floor. How much work is required to move it at constant speed
- 2.0 m along the floor against a friction force of 150 N?
 - 2.0 m vertically?
22. A 130-kg load is lifted 30 m vertically by a single cable with an acceleration $a = 0.15 \text{ g}$ (one "g" is 9.8 m/s^2). Determine
- the tension in the cable
 - the net work done on the load
 - the work done by the cable on the load.
 - the work done by gravity on the load.
 - the final speed of the load assuming it started from rest.
23. An elevator cable breaks when a 750-kg elevator is 25 m above a huge spring ($k=4.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N/m}$) at the bottom of the shaft. Calculate
- the work done by gravity on the elevator before it hits the spring.
 - the speed of the elevator just before striking the spring.
 - the amount the spring compresses (Hint: remember that work is done by both the spring and gravity in this part).
26. A 1.80-m tall person lifts a 230-g book so it is 2.15 m off the ground. What is the potential energy of the book relative to
- the ground?
 - the top of the person's head?
 - How is the work done by the person related to the answers in parts (a) and (b)?
27. A 65-kg hiker starts at an elevation of 1500 m and climbs to the top of a 2600-m peak.
- What is the hiker's change in potential energy?
 - What is the minimum work required of the hiker?
 - Can the actual work done be more than this? Explain.

ANSWERS:

- 2a. 300 J
2b. 1100 J
22a. 1465.1 N
22b. 5733 J
22c. 43,953 J
22d. -38,220 J
22e. 9.39 m/s
23a. $1.84 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$
23b. 22.14 m/s
23c. 3.22 m
26a. 4.85 J
26b. .789 J
26c. Both answers equal the work the person must do in lifting the book in each case.
27a. $7.01 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$
27b. $7.01 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$ (at minimum, the hiker must do work against gravity; the minimum would occur if the hiker ONLY moves vertically upward)
27c. Yes. It is unlikely the hiker moves vertically upward. In moving sideways he/she will likely encounter friction, etc....