## B: Newton's Model 1

## **Newton's First Law (restated)**

Any object whose velocity is constant has a net force of zero acting on it.

Any object whose velocity is not constant has a net force greater than zero acting on it.

- **B.1.** For each item, say whether *net force* = 0 or *net force is not* 0. [6 points total]
- **1a.** Anything that is not moving
- **1b.** Anything that is moving at a constant velocity.
- **1c.** A car, when the driver is pressing on the accelerator
- **1d.** A glass of water resting on a table
- **1e.** A ball rolling down a ramp
- **1f.** A car driving down the highway at a constant speed of 60 mph
- 1g. A ball that has been dropped off of a building
- **1h.** A car when the driver has pushed the breaks

**Newton's Model** (Newton's First and Second Laws, applied to specific cases)

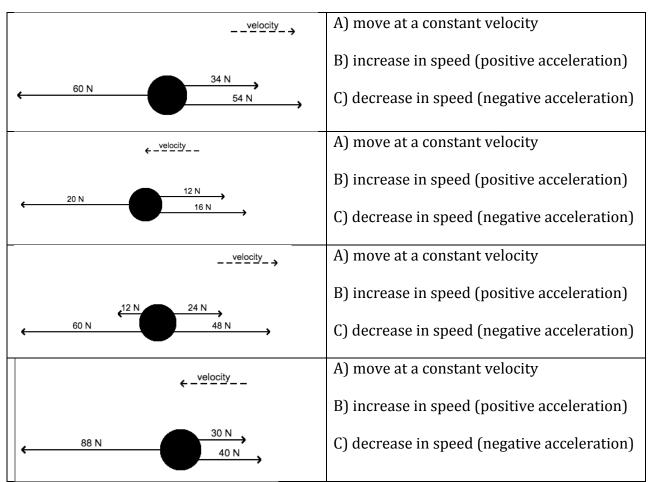
When Isaac Newton first wrote his Laws, he chose to represent them in poetic language. At times it is difficult to apply this language to physics situations. To simplify things, I decided to restate Newtons Laws in terms of how they *qualitatively* affect the motion of an object.

Situation	Motion
An object is not moving, and no net force	The object remains not moving.
acts on the object.	
An object is moving, and no net force acts on	The object continues moving without
the object.	changing speed.
An object is moving and the net force is in	The object moves faster.
the same direction as the velocity of the	
object.	
The object is moving and the net force is in	The object slows down.
the <i>opposite direction</i> as the velocity of the	
object.	

**2.** Multiple choice, examine what each object will do [2 points each]

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velocity	A) move at a constant velocity
	B) increase in speed (positive acceleration)
←Force ●	C) decrease in speed (negative acceleration)
2a.	
velocity	A) move at a constant velocity
<del></del>	B) increase in speed (positive acceleration)
Force	C) decrease in speed (negative acceleration)
2b.	
	A) move at a constant velocity
2c.	
No forces present	B) increase in speed (positive acceleration)
velocity_ >	C) decrease in speed (negative acceleration)
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If more than one force acts on an object, the forces must be combined and the *net force* determines the motion of the object. In each of the following examples, first find the *net force* acting on the object, and then determine the motion of the object.



## Answers

- 1a) 0
- 1b) 0
- 1c) not 0
- 1d) 0
- 1e) not 0
- 1f) 0
- 1g) not 0
- 1h) not 0
- 2a) C
- 2b) B
- 2c) A
- 2d) B
- 2e) C
- 2f) A
- 2g) B