

Effects of Forces

Question Paper

Course	CIE IGCSE Physics
Section	1. Motion, Forces & Energy
Topic	Effects of Forces
Difficulty	Easy

Time Allowed 10

Score /5

Percentage /100

Question 1

Extended tier only

A planet orbits a star at a constant speed in a **circular** orbit.

Which of the statements below, about the force needed to maintain this motion, is correct?

- A. No force is required
- B. The force is directed away from the centre of the circle
- C. The force is directed in the direction the planet is travelling
- D. The force is directed towards the centre of the circle

[1 mark]

Question 2

Extended tier only

A car is driving around a circular track at a constant speed.

Which statement describes the motion of the car?

- A. The car is accelerating because its speed is changing
- B. The car is not accelerating as it is moving at a constant speed
- C. The car is accelerating because its velocity is changing
- D. The car is not accelerating, but its velocity is changing.

[1 mark]

Question 3

In which of the following situations would no resultant force be required?

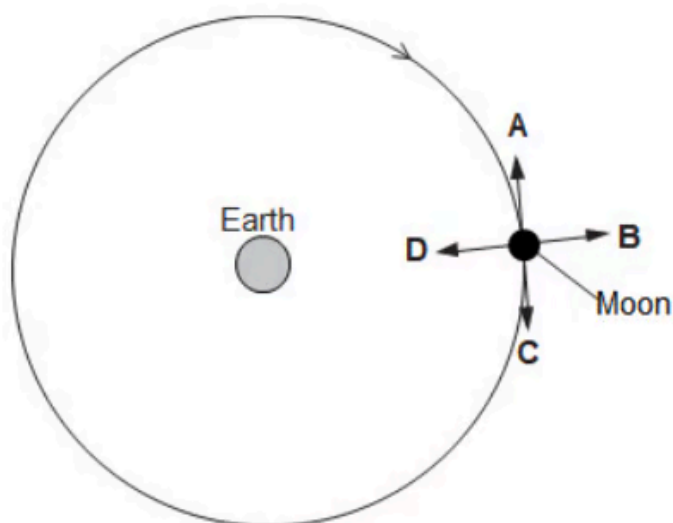
- A. A motorbike travelling round a bend at a constant speed.
- B. A rocket accelerating straight upwards into space.
- C. A ship sailing at a constant speed across the ocean.
- D. A Formula One car accelerating off the starting grid.

[1 mark]

Question 4

Extended tier only

The Moon orbits the Earth at a constant speed.



Which of the arrows on the diagram shows the direction of the resultant force on the Moon?

[1 mark]

Question 5

A car starts from rest and rapidly increases speed.

There is a forward acting force on the car from the engine, and a backward acting force on the car from air resistance and friction.

Choose the force diagram and description that best describes the magnitude of the opposing forces.

A

The forward acting force is much larger than the backward acting force

B

The forward acting force is slightly larger than the backward acting force

C

The forward acting force is exactly the same size as the backward acting force

D

The forward acting force is smaller than the backward acting force

[1 mark]